

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Governors Open Session September 27, 2011

The meeting was held at 4:00 p.m. in the Alan A. Borger Sr. Executive Conference Room, E1-270 EITC.

Present:	J. Lederman, Chair J. Leclerc, University Secretary				
D. Barnard N. Halden N. Rashid	A. Berg G. Hatch M. Robertson	P. Bovey J. Hoskins H. Secter	E. Bowness S. Jasper C. Tapp	R. Dhalla P. Nawrot M. Whitmore	J. Embree B. Passey R. Zegalski
Assessors Present:					
R. Howard	B. McKenzie				
Officials Present:					
S. Foster	D. Jayas	J. Kearsey	J. Keselman	D. McCallum	
Regrets:					
T. Bock	M. Forsen	M. Labine			

1. Announcements

2. Tache Hall Redevelopment

Mr. Greg Boothroyd, from Patkau Architects, gave a presentation on the latest iteration of the Domino Project, specifically Tache Hall Redevelopment.

3. Approval of the Agenda

It was moved by Ms. Tapp and seconded by Ms. Bovey: THAT the agenda for the September 27, 2011 Open Session be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

4. Minutes

3.1 Open Minutes

It was moved by Dr. Embree and seconded by Mr. Zegalski: THAT the minutes of the June 21, 2011 Open Session be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

5. Unanimous Consent Agenda

The Chair asked whether any member had concern with any of the items on the Consent Agenda. No items were identified to be dealt with separately.

It was moved by Dr. Whitmore and seconded by Mr. Zegalski that the Board of Governors approve and/or receive for information the following:

- 8.1 Implementation of Joint Bachelor of Science Honours degree in Computer Science and Statistics
- 8.2 Implementation of Master's Program in Pediatric Dentistry
- 8.3 THAT the Board of Governors approve four new offers, five amended offers and the withdrawal of two offers as set out in Appendix A of the Report of the Senate Committee on Awards [dated May 11, 2011]. THAT the Board of Governors approve two new offers and six amended offers as set out in Appendix A of the Report of the Senate Committee on awards [dated May 25, 2011].
- 8.4 **THAT the Board of Governors approve the establishment of an Endowed** Chair in Cardiology.

CARRIED

6. **Report from the President**

Dr. Barnard provided the Board with the latest enrolment figures, indicating that there were almost 28,000 students on the first day of classes and that after the revision period the total number is 28,456, an all-time high and an increase of 1.6% over last year. He also stated that there has been a 4% increase in graduate student enrolment. Dr. Barnard then commented that orientation and homecoming had recently taken place and that there has been much excitement on campus for the last few weeks.

In reference to the written report, Dr. Barnard stated that permission to occupy Pembina Hall was received on the day before students were to move in. There were a few issues, particularly with laundry, elevators, plumbing, but these were resolved and people were happy. In response to Ms. Tapp's concern about a statement in his report which indicated consensus between the Administration and the Students' Union on the bus policy, Dr. Barnard stated that the consensus to which he was referring was related to agreeing to work together in the coming year and how

to move ahead, and he was not implying that all parties were in agreement on the issue. Ms. Tapp added that the Residence Students' Association was not included in that meeting.

7. FROM FINANCE, ADMINISTRATION & HUMAN RESOURCES

7.1 Rescinding Outdated Policies

Mr. Zegalski informed the Board that this item was part of an effort to clean up outdated policies.

It was moved by Mr. Zegalski and seconded by Ms. Jasper:

THAT the Board of Governors rescind the following Board approved Policies:

External Advertising (dated November 1988); and

Female: Male Balance Among Academic Administrators, Faculty and Students (dated October 22, 1980);

CARRIED

11. UPDATES

11.1 Update from the UMSU President & GSA President (oral)

Ms. Tapp stated that her team had been busy throughout the summer in preparation for the new school year. She added that construction on the new Pub was going well and on budget and would hopefully be completed on time. Ms. Tapp also informed the Board that student orientation had been successful and was a busy time. In addition, she stated that Advance Election Polls for the provincial election were open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on campus for those who wanted to vote early. Finally, Ms. Tapp reported that the Executive had met with COPSE to present their priorities for the year and her sense was that it was a successful meeting.

Mr. Nawrot stated that the GSA had also been busy and orientation had been a success. He added that 140 students had attended a wine and cheese which was a surprisingly good turnout and very successful. In early September the GSA Awards Luncheon took place; and one very interesting project was profiled which involved a group of students launching a satellite which can be used for the University for two years for research. He also met with COPSE regarding graduate student priorities and is hoping to work with Administration and students to make this University and even better place to work and study. He stated that the Annual General Meeting of the GSA will take place next month and one of the topics will be addressing the way in which the fees collected is disbursed and increasing graduate student awards. Lastly, Mr. Nawrot stated he was working with Deans and Department Heads to get better representation on GSA council so that more students can receive awards.

Mr. Dhalla inquired about the Satellite project and how it was being sponsored. Mr. Nawrot replied that there had been some fundraising as well as some corporate sponsorship. Ms. Lederman asked which faculty was involved in this project, and Mr. Nawrot responded that it was a multidisciplinary project. Lastly, Mr. Nawrot suggested that if the Board wished, a presentation could be given to provide more information about the project.

MOTION TO MOVE TO CLOSED AND CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

It was moved by Ms. Tapp and seconded by Ms. Bovey: THAT the meeting move into Closed and Confidential Session.

CARRIED

It was moved by Mr. Nawrot and seconded by Ms. Jasper that the meeting adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

CARRIED

Chair

University Secretary