



UNIVERSITY
OF MANITOBA

**Minutes of the OPEN Session of the
Board of Governors
March 19, 2013**

Present: J. Lederman, Chair
J. Leclerc, Secretary

B. Arte	D. Barnard	A. Berg	J. Black	T. Bock	P. Bovey
N. Halden	G. Hatch	S. Jesseau	M. Labine	B. Passey	M. Robertson
D. Sauer	M. Whitmore	R. Zegalski			

Regrets:

E. Bowness	A. Dansen	J. Embree	R. Howard	S. Jasper	J. Kearsey
E. Ojo	H. Secter				

Absent: R. Dhalla

Assessors Present: Cameron Morrill

Officials Present: S. Foster J. Keselman D. Jayas P. Kochan A. Konowalchuk

1. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair reminded members of the following changes to the Board schedule:

- May 7 meeting of Finance, Administration & Human Resources has moved to May 1
- September 10 Finance, Administration & Human Resources moved to MONDAY, September 30
- September 24 Board meeting has been moved to Tuesday, October 8

The Chair then welcomed Andrew Konowalchuk, the new Associate Vice – President (Administration), who will be presenting during Closed and Confidential Session.

FOR ACTION

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was moved by Ms. Bovey and seconded by Ms. Jesseau:

THAT the agenda for the Open session of the March 19, 2013 Board of Governors meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

3. **MINUTES (Open Session)**

- 3.1 Approval of the Minutes of the January 29, 2013 OPEN Session as circulated or amended

It was moved by Ms. Arte and seconded by Ms. Bovey:

THAT the minutes of the Open session of the January 29, 2013 meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

- 3.2 Business Arising – none

4. **UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGENDA**

The Chair asked whether any member had concern with any of the items on the Consent Agenda. No items were identified for individual consideration.

It was moved by Mr. Berg and seconded by Ms. Bovey that the Board of Governors approve and/or receive for information the following:

THAT a \$1.67 per credit hour contribution be assessed against the students in the Department of Architecture for a three year term commencing in the fall of 2013 as outlined in the letter from Ralph Stern, Dean, Faculty of Architecture, dated January 15, 2013.

THAT the Board of Governors approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Awards [dated January 29, 2013].

THAT the Board of Governors approve eighteen new offers and three amended offers, as set out in Appendix A of the Report of the Senate Committee on Awards [dated January 17, 2013].

THAT the Board of Governors approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Awards – Part A [dated December 12, 2012].

THAT the Board of Governors approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Awards – Part B [dated December 12, 2012].

University Discipline Committee Annual Report (for information)

CARRIED



5. **REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Dr. Morrill asked whether the President had received any news related to the provincial government's funding commitment, explaining that he had heard some dissatisfaction with the University's spending. Dr. Barnard replied that he had had no communication from the Province about that and that he had had very positive meetings with the Premier and the Minister. Dr. Barnard added that although it is obvious that the Province is under financial pressure, he continues to hope for positive news.

6. **FROM FINANCE, ADMINISTRATION AND HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

6.1 2013-2014 Residence Room and Meal Plan Rates

Mr. Zegalski noted that the rates presented had been compared with other institutions around the country. He added that there had been some debate at the committee level about the rates, but the consensus was that the proposed rates were reasonable and appropriate, particularly when considering the university's deferred maintenance concerns. Mr. Kochan noted that this is a cost recovery issue and it comes forward every year. Ms. Arte asked whether there had been discussion around comparing the proposed increases to City of Winnipeg rent increases over the past few years. Mr. Kochan indicated that it had not been discussed, and explained that the University considers the costs associated with running the residences, including maintenance. Mr. Zegalski added that the University is on the more affordable end of the scale when other similar institutions are compared.

It was moved by Mr. Zegalski and seconded by Mr. Robertson:

THAT the Board of Governors approves the room rate increases for 2013-14 for the Arthur V. Mauro Residence (4.5%), Mary Speechly Hall (5.5%), Pembina Hall Residence (3.5%), and University College Residence (5.5%); and the three Meal Plans increases (5.0%) as detailed in the tables attached.

CARRIED

7. **FROM GOVERNANCE & NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

7.1 Revised Distinguished Service Award Policy

The Chair stated that the revised policy was intended to make the purpose of the award clear. She added that there had not been sufficient nominations in past years. She reminded members that this award is recognition from the board and encouraged people to submit names for consideration. She added that the goal is to develop a reserve list of names so there would be a pool from which to draw annually. Mr. Zegalski commented that some work was underway by the Alumni Association and it would be wise to avoid any overlap in award criteria. He added that more information from the Alumni Association will be forthcoming.



It was moved by Dr. Whitmore and seconded by Mr. Berg:

THAT the Board of Governors approve the revisions to the Distinguished Service Award Policy.

CARRIED

FOR INFORMATION

9. UPDATES

9.1 Updates from the UMSU President & GSA President

Ms. Arte reported that the UMSU Executive was working on the transition to the incoming Executive and that she hoped to bring her replacement to the next meeting. She added that they are still working on the universal bus pass project and that it would likely be on the Board of Governors agenda in the fall.

The Chair noted that Mr. Ojo was away so there would be no GSA report.

FOR DISCUSSION

11. FROM SENATE

11.1 Undergraduate Enrolment Targets

Dr. Barnard noted that this topic has been discussed at Senate Planning & Priorities Committee (SPPC), Senate, and that it had previously been presented at the Board. He explained that this represents a minor revisiting of targets moving forward and was a good step for now, adding that as the University gets deeper into Strategic Enrolment Management (SEM) it would be necessary to look more closely at what is happening in individual faculties, as it may be desirable to expand or pull back in some areas.

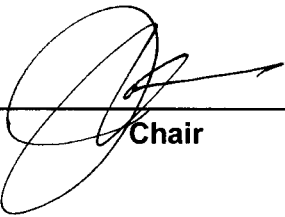
Dr. Keselman elaborated, indicating that there had been a review of existing policies as the last time there was a review of the policy on enrolment quotas was in 1970. She added that there were also enrolment targets that enrolment services uses for admission. Her office had met with deans and directors to determine a baseline from which the SEM plan will be developed. She explained that it is just a taking stock to create a document to use going forward.

Dr. Whitmore commented that the Faculty of Science, limitations are not the students in a program, but the number that can be accommodated in the courses because approximately two thirds of students taking science courses are from other faculties. He noted that this was likely the case in other faculties as well.


MOTION TO MOVE TO CLOSED AND CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

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

CARRIED



Chair



University Secretary

