



UNIVERSITY
OF MANITOBA

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Governors
Open Session
April 19, 2011**

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

Present: P. Bovey, Acting Chair
J. Leclerc, University Secretary

D. Barnard A. Berg T. Bock P. Bovey E. Bowness J. Embree
N. Halden G. Hatch J. Hoskins S. Jasper M. Labine H. Laube
J. Lederman B. Passey M. Robertson R. Zegalski

Assessors Present:

B. Austin-Smith

Officials Present:

S. Foster D. Jayas J. Kearsey J. Keselman D. McCallum

Regrets:

E. Collins R. Dhalla M. Forsen D. Sauer H. Sector

1. Announcements

Ms. Bovey thanked the three student representatives and wished them well as this was their final meeting. The new student representatives will take office on May 1. She also informed the Board that the recently held Fine Arts open house had been very energetic and the works displayed were of particularly high quality this year. Finally, Ms. Bovey stated that there had recently been an unveiling of three sculptures at the Aboriginal House.

2. Approval of the Agenda

It was moved by Mr. Zegalski and seconded by Dr. Embree:

THAT the agenda for the April 19, 2011 Open Session be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Minutes

3.1 Open Minutes

It was moved by Mr. Berg and seconded by Ms. Hatch:

THAT the minutes of the April 19, 2011 Open Session be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

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 to be dealt with separately.

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

The establishment of Chair in Entrepreneurship.

Two new offers, one amended offer, and the withdrawal of three offers as set out in Appendix B of the Report of the Senate Committee on Awards – Part A [dated February 18, 2011].

The Implementation of Master of Physical Therapy.

CARRIED

5.1 The Manitoban Students' Newspaper Student Levy Increase

Ms. Laube informed the Board that this referendum had been undertaken during the recent UMSU elections.

It was moved by Mr. Robertson and seconded by Ms. Labine:

THAT The University of Manitoba Board of Governors approves a \$1 per term increase to The Manitoban student levy for each undergraduate member of UMSU.

CARRIED

6. Report from the President

Dr. Barnard reported that the recent budget announcement by the Province had been covered by the media and that it gave the University a 5% grant increase over each of the next three years and also permitted the University to raise tuition by the amount of inflation (determined by the government to be 1%).

Mr. Zegalski asked whether a change in government could affect this three year commitment. Dr. Barnard explained that it could happen and did happen once years ago. Dr. Barnard added that this increase had not been included in the upcoming University budget due to the short turnaround time and he added that the announcement of a three year agreement clearly

indicated a real commitment by the province to support higher education. Mr. Zegalski asked whether the exercise done in the fall to estimate the “ask” to be presented to the government would be done differently in light of the three year commitment. Dr. Barnard indicated that the exercise would still be done but perhaps to a slightly lesser extent.

Ms. Bovey asked whether or not the Board of Governors should acknowledge the positive benefits of the three year commitment. Dr. Barnard responded that this would be a good thing to do after the budget it is passed.

FOR INFORMATION

8. UPDATES

8.1 Update from the UMSU President & the GSA President

Ms. Laube reported that this meeting would be her last as her term as UMSU president would soon end. She added that she is currently preparing for a transition to the new student executive. Additionally, Ms. Laube informed the Board that the UMSU Tax Office was currently open and would wrap up on April 30, and that the UMSU Awards deadline was coming up later in the week. She also stated that the campus community garden would be collaborating with Campus Beautification Day in May. Finally, Ms. Laube expressed her thanks and best wishes to the Board of Governors.

Ms. Labine stated that this was her last meeting and introduced Peter Nawrot, the incoming President of the GSA. She added that they were currently working on the transition, the autonomy agreement may be signed within the week, and that an online grad student handbook was in development for the next school year. Ms. Labine also stated that the GSA had collaborated with Dr. Jayas and Dr. Doering and Minister McGifford on a joint funding initiative. She then expressed her thanks to the Board for a great year, adding that she had learned a great deal.

Ms. Lederman thanked Ms. Laube and Ms. Labine for their contributions to a very productive year, adding that the Board of Governors appreciates their efforts.

MOTION TO MOVE TO CLOSED AND CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

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

CARRIED

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Chair

University Secretary