

OPEN SESSION

Minutes of a Meeting of the Board of Governors held at 4:00 p.m. on January 22, 2002 in Room 160, Continuing Education Complex

Present:

Mr. P. Soubry, Chair
 Ms. M. Albl
 Mr. W. Anderson
 Mr. A. Black
 Mr. R. Dhalla
 Dr. H. Duckworth
 Mr. G. Dureault
 Dr. J. Hoskins
 Ms. E. Jones
 Mr. N. Louizos

Dr. W. Norrie
 Ms. J. Plater
 Mr. D. Popke
 Mr. T. Sargeant
 Ms. B. Schibler
 Dr. T. Secco
 Dr. I. Smith
 Dr. E.J.E. Szathmáry
 Ms. S. Van Schie
 Ms. D. Young

Also Present:

Dr. J. Anderson, Chair, *Ad Hoc* Committee
 Dr. P. Blunden, UMFA Assessor
 Ms. L. Chartier, Support Staff Assessor
 Dr. J. Cooper, Member, *Ad Hoc* Committee
 Mr. J. Danakas, Director, Public Affairs
 Ms. J. Fletcher, UMSU Assessor
 Ms. E. Goldie, V.P. (External)
 Dr. N. Halden, Chair, SPPC

Mr. J. Leclerc, Academic Specialist
 Dr. R. Lobdell, Vice-Prov. (Programs)
 Ms. M.J. Loustel, Director, Audit Serv.
 Mr. M. McAdam, V.P. (Admin.)
 Prof. K. Ogden, Acting V.P. (Ac.) & Prov.
 Ms. B. Sawicki, University Secretary
 Ms. L. Shore, Recording Secretary

Regrets:

Dr. V. Dhruvarajan
 Mr. J. Kusie

Dr. J. Keselman
 Ms. W. Thiessen

Dr. Bev Cameron, Director of University 1, assisted by Mr. N. Marnoch, offered a presentation on the advantages of University 1 for the students and its resulting success.

FOR ACTION**1. MINUTES: November 27, 2001****1.1 Approval as circulated or corrected**

Mr. Soubry noted that he had not been in attendance for the business portion of the meeting. Mr. Louizos provided corrections to his report (Page M7, item 10.3) as follows:

4th bullet should read, in part: "...process of expanding IQ's by 2200 sq.ft..." and "...facilities for students by Spring, 2002;"

6th bullet should read, in part: "...Students will be able to opt out of either/or extended health and dental benefits if they choose but they will be required to show evidence of existing coverage."

8th bullet should read, in part: "UMSU is in the process of planning its 4th Annual Scholarship..."



It was moved by Dr. Secco, seconded by Dr. Hoskins:

THAT the minutes of the November 29, 2001 Board of Governors meeting be approved as corrected.

CARRIED

1.2 Business Arising - none

2. FROM ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

2.1 Reports of Senate Committee on Awards:

2.1.1 November 6, 2001

At the April 5, 2000 Senate meeting, the terms of reference for the Committee on Awards were changed to allow the Committee to approve and inform Senate of all new offers and amendments of awards that meet the published guidelines for awards.

At its meeting on October 25, 2001, the Senate Committee on Awards approved six new awards, twelve award amendments, and two award withdrawals (as set out in the report of the Senate Committee on Awards dated November 6, 2001). All these award decisions comply with the published guidelines of November 3, 1999, and are reported to Senate for information.

It was moved by Dr. Secco, seconded by Mr. Dureault:

THAT the Board of Governors approve the six new awards, 12 award amendments, and two award withdrawals as set out in Appendix "A" of the report of the Senate Committee on Awards dated November 6, 2001.

CARRIED

2.2 Program Proposals:

2.2.1 Arts Co-op Program

The Faculty of Arts is proposing to expand its B.A. degree to include a cooperative education option. Such an option will integrate regular employment into students' academic programs, where students will work for four month terms and will be paid at market wage rates.

The Senate Committee on Curriculum and Course Changes has endorsed the proposal. So has the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee, with the following *proviso*: "That the Vice-President Academic not proceed with the introduction of the program until new funds in the amount needed have been defined within the Faculty and/or University budgets".

It was moved by Dr. Secco, seconded by Ms. Albl:

THAT the Board of Governors approve the proposal for an Arts co-op program (as endorsed by the report of the Senate Committee on Curriculum and Course Changes dated October 26, 2001 and subject to the report of the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee dated November 13, 2001, and as approved and recommended by Senate on December 5, 2001).

CARRIED

2.2.2 Faculty of the Environment

It was pointed out that financial and implementation information is provided under Agenda Item 9.2.

The Senate Executive Committee, at its September 19, 2001 meeting, considered proposals for a Faculty and for a School. The Committee did not discuss the academic merits of the two proposals at that time, but rather the process by which they should be handled. It was agreed that both proposals should be submitted to the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee (SPPC) for consideration.

SPPC considered the two proposals, heard related presentations, and recommended the creation of a Faculty of the Environment as set out in its first recommendation. The first recommendation is as follows:

"THAT Senate approve in principle and recommend to the Board of Governors the formation of a new Faculty to be responsible for teaching, research and service in the broad areas of the earth, the environment, sustainable development and resources as follows:

- a) The name of the Faculty is at present unspecified, and may, in fact, be decided by the Faculty Council of the new Faculty, after approval by Senate. For the purposes of this report, without prejudice to either proposal, it will be referred to by the working title: Faculty of the Environment (FE), using the one word in common in the titles of the two proposals.
- b) This Faculty initially will include the present units of the Natural Resources Institute (NRI), retaining its name, the Departments of Geography and of Geological Sciences, and the Environmental Science Program (EScP) as a Department or a School. Faculty members of the above units are encouraged to join the new Faculty. However, no faculty member would be required to change his or her Faculty of appointment.
- c) The FE should be as broadly interdisciplinary and inclusive as possible. This can be achieved by inviting other faculty members in other departments of Arts and Science and of other Faculties, who have interest in teaching and/or research in the areas of earth, environment, sustainable development and resources, to join the Faculty either in full or in part (cross-appointment, joint appointment, or adjunct status). Particular attention should be

paid to the inclusion of biological scientists, social scientists, health scientists and humanists, but not to the exclusion of others.

- d) The FE, in keeping with its mandate of interdisciplinary study, will establish linkages as broadly as possible with other Faculties, including, but not limited to, Arts, Science, Agricultural and Food Sciences, Architecture, Engineering, Law, Medicine, and others as appropriate.
- e) All courses, programs, degrees and diplomas currently offered by the units named in 1. b) will continue to be offered by these components of FE. As the Faculty develops, it is encouraged to propose changes, deletions, additions of courses, programs, degrees and diplomas for approval by the usual process through Faculty Council, the Senate Committee on Curriculum and Course Changes, Senate, the Board of Governors and COPSE, when appropriate.
- f) An Interim Dean should be appointed from existing staff of the University as soon as approval for the FE is obtained, and a full external search for a Dean with a vision for the future of the FE should be initiated within one year after the founding of the Faculty."

Senate approved the report of the SPPC on December 5, 2001.

It was moved by Dr. Secco, seconded by Mr. Dureault:

THAT the Board of Governors approve the establishment of a new Faculty of the Environment (as set out in the first recommendation of the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee report dated November 13, 2001 and approved by Senate on December 5, 2001).

CARRIED

3. FROM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - none

4. FROM FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

4.1 Faculty of Engineering Student Referendum

On November 21st and November 22nd, 2001 students in the Faculty of Engineering voted in a referendum concerning the contribution of \$175.00 to the Engineering Endowment and Building Fund.

The ballot read as follows:

I agree to pay a tax deductible contribution of \$175 per year to be paid at the time of registration. This contribution will be directed to the Faculty of Engineering as follows:

\$100.00 - Faculty of Engineering Endowment Fund

\$75.00 - Engineering and IT Complex

The term for this agreement is to be 3 years. This amount is pro-rated for part-time students.

There were 1029 eligible voters, of whom 86 voted yes and 34 voted no for continuing contributions and increasing the fee to \$175.

It was moved by Mr. Black, seconded by Mr. Sargeant:

That the Board approve the recommendation from the students in the Faculty of Engineering to pay a tax deductible \$175.00 per year, for three years commencing in the fall 2002, at the time of registration, directed to the Faculty of Engineering as follows:

\$100.00 to the Faculty of Engineering Environment Fund; and \$75.00 to the Engineering and IT Complex Fund.

This amount is pro-rated for part-time students.

CARRIED

5. **NEW BUSINESS** - none

FOR RATIFICATION

6. **FROM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

6.1 Report of the *Ad Hoc* Joint Senate and Board Review Committee to Determine the Continuation of a Single University Secretariat

Drs. Anderson and Cooper were present to speak to this report. Members of the Office of the University Secretary left the room while the discussion took place. Upon their return, the Chair announced:

It was moved by Dr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Dureault:

THAT the Board of Governors approve the recommendations of the *Ad Hoc* Joint Senate and Board Review Committee in their report dated December 5, 2001, namely:

- 1. **continuation of the single University Secretariat,**
- 2. **continuation of planning by the Secretariat to continue to establish an effective institutional memory.**

CARRIED

FOR INFORMATION

7. **FROM ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

7.1 Academic Schedule 2002-2003

The 2002-2003 academic schedule was prepared by the Director of Student Records. It has been reviewed by each Faculty and School, the Director of



Admissions and Rabbi Stern (re religious holidays).

The schedule was approved by Senate on December 5, 2001, and is provided for the information of the Board of Governors.

7.2 Report of the *Ad Hoc* Committee to Consider Issues Relating to the Academic Schedule

At the Senate Executive Committee meeting of February 21, 2001, an *ad hoc* committee was established to consider a number of issues with regard to the academic schedule, including the following:

- should the study week in February be discontinued, and the Christmas break be extended by a week, or the spring term be ended a week earlier; should a trimester system be reconsidered;
- resuming lectures on a Thursday is not logical: should this be coordinated with the public school system; and
- regarding the use of study week: there is a problem with being able to schedule enough teaching days to meet accreditation requirements.

The *ad hoc* committee recommended that:

- the study week remain as it stands;
- January 3rd be the established start date for second term, unless it falls on a Thursday or Friday; and
- a trimester system not be implemented at this time.

Senate approved the report on December 5, 2001, and is provided for the information of the Board of Governors.

7.3 Statements of Intent:

7.3.1 B.Sc. Minor in Ecology

The Faculty of Science is proposing the introduction of a Minor in Ecology. There will be no change to the already existing Ecology program; the minor will simply allow students in other disciplines to indicate an area of academic focus on their transcript. It will consist of a total of 18 credit hours.

The program can be offered without additional resources from the Council on Post-Secondary Education (COPSE).

7.3.2 Ph.D. Program in Cancer Control

The Faculty of Nursing and the Department of Community Health Sciences are proposing a new PhD program in cancer control.

This program will provide a sequenced and structured process to produce a major shift toward evidence-based nursing practice in cancer control including three domains of nursing: cancer care, palliative care, and cancer prevention.

The program will make use of existing courses and staff members, and accordingly will not need additional resources from the Council on Post-Secondary Education (COPSE).

7.4 Report of the Cross-Functional Committee to consider Issues Relating to Certificate and Diploma Programs at the University of Manitoba

An *ad hoc* committee to consider issues relating to certificate and diploma programs was created in June of 2000. The committee was given broad representation from across the campus.

One of the committee's first activities was to canvass faculties and schools with regard to existing non-degree programs at the University (Appendix "B"). A taxonomy (Appendix "A") was then developed which includes six non-degree program credentials: Short Courses and Programs, Certificates, Post Baccalaureate Certificates, Diplomas, Post Baccalaureate Diplomas, and Graduate Diplomas.

The report was approved by Senate on November 7, 2001, and a copy was subsequently requested by the Council on Post-Secondary Education. The report is provided for the information of the Board of Governors.

Mr. Dureault commented that this is a very important document and a great deal of work has taken place to develop a rational method of classification.

8. FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

8.1 Proposal to Establish a Chair in Business Leadership

Section 2.1 of policy 428 on *Chairs and Professorships* outlines the steps to be followed in the establishment of Chairs or Professorships. In accordance with that policy, the I.H. Asper School of Business is recommending the establishment of a Chair in Business Leadership.

The purpose of the proposed Chair is to assist the I.H. Asper School of Business in attracting and retaining Deans with outstanding academic and leadership skills by providing a mechanism that will assist future Deans in aggressively pursuing the School's strategic goals. The Chair will be funded through a combination of endowment funds and annual gifts.

In keeping with the terms of policy 416 on *Naming of Chairs and Professorships*, the Senate Committee on Honorary Degrees considered and recommended a request that the proposed Chair be named the *CA Manitoba Chair in Business Leadership*. Senate approved the recommendation, subject to Board approval of the establishment of the Chair.

The Dean of the I.H. Asper School of Business had requested that this issue be dealt with expeditiously in order for him to make a public announcement in early January 2002. Accordingly, the Academic Affairs Committee had been polled by fax in order to obtain that Committee's recommendation. Having obtained the Committee's recommendation, the establishment of the Chair in Business Leadership was approved in December 2001 by the Executive Committee on behalf of the Board of Governors. The Chair in Business Leadership will be



named the *CA Manitoba Chair in Business Leadership*.

9. FROM THE FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

9.1 Agreement between UMSU and GSA

A motion had been made at the Finance and Administration Committee meeting to thank those people involved in reaching the agreement. It was felt that the thanks should most appropriately be made by the Board of Governors.

It was moved by Dr. Duckworth, seconded by Mr. Black:

THAT letters of appreciation should be written by the Chair of the Board of Governors to those members of UMSU and GSA, together with Dean Harvey Sexter, for having made this agreement possible.

CARRIED

9.2 Faculty of the Environment -Financial and Implementation Information

Earlier during this Board of Governors meeting, the Board of Governors approved the creation of a new faculty, known as the "Faculty of the Environment".

The Board of Governors was provided with financial and implementation information including:

- No budget has yet been developed relating to the creation of this faculty, although a request for additional funding for the key themes around which the faculty will be developed was included in the September 2001 Estimates document submitted to the Province.
- An implementation committee chaired by Vice-Provost Wendy Dahlgren will have the responsibility of recommending on a number of issues related to creation of the new faculty, including suggested funding allocations. The report of this committee will be considered as a supplementary submission to the current resource allocation process for 2002-2003 and the subsequent two years, and will be considered along with all other three-year resource planning submissions.

10. REPORTS

10.1 Report of the President

Dr. Szathmáry spoke to her written report; as well, she gave an update on the status of the President's Priorities for the June 1, 2001 to May 31, 2002 period approved by the Board of Governors on April 24, 2001. Dr. Szathmáry indicated that she will be providing a written report on the status of the President's Priorities for the June, 2002 meeting of the Board.

10.2 Report of the President of UMSU

Mr. Louizos highlighted the following in his oral report:

- The referendum of the Health and Dental Insurance Plan will take place on January 23rd and 24th.
- \$500,000 expansion of University Centre, 3rd floor, should be completed by the end of April, 2002 and will be non-smoking.
- \$500,000 bursaries were awarded from the UMSU Scholarship/Bursary fund to students in financial need.
- A new initiative being created by UMSU will be the awarding of bursaries to high school students from the UMSU Scholarship/Bursary fund. \$20,000 to \$30,000 can be distributed to students. The plan is to have a competition by having students write essays.
- UMSU is currently planning their Bursary/Scholarship Fund Dinner to be held in the Spring.
- UMSU has initiated a Speaker Series. Some of the speakers have been the President and the Vice-Presidents, Health Minister A. Rock, and the Minister of Finance, Mr. P. Martin.
- The 32nd Celebration Week, Festival of Life and Learning is currently being organized. It will take place from February 25th to March 2nd. The Theme will be "Heroes of our Time." The Festival has been timed to coincide with the University's 125th Anniversary, taking place on February 28th.
- The UMSU/GSA Agreement has been finalized and approved by the Student Councils of both organizations.
- UMSU is meeting with government representatives to look at funding of the National Forum on Postsecondary Education to be held in Spring, 2003. The main objective of this Forum is make postsecondary education a national issue and priority.
- The Presidential commissions established by UMSU are currently meeting.
- Satellite TV's have been installed in the main level of University Centre in time for the Olympics.
- A Labour Relations Committee was struck over the summer; this Committee has now been given a new mandate to oversee how UMSU employees are being treated. They are currently seeking ways in which to provide their employees with a more positive experience.
- The Student Senate Caucus, chaired by James Kusie, is negotiating for the provision of SEEQ evaluations on the internet.
- All postsecondary institutions in the province have united with a common goal that university education remains accessible.
- UMSU Council has endorsed the continuation of MSBF (Manitoba Scholarship/Bursary Fund initiative). The government provides matching funds.
- CASA's Council Awareness Days were held in the previous to highlight students' awareness over CASA and what that organization tries to do on behalf of students.

Mr. Louizos ended his report by thanking members of the UMSU Executive, James Kusie, Joseph Ahorro, Christian Stevenson, and Chris Melnychuk for all their hard work over the past year.

11. OTHER - none

MOTION TO MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Dr. Secco, seconded by Dr. Duckworth:

THAT the meeting move to Closed and Confidential Session.

CARRIED

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Upon returning to Open Session, it was moved by Dr. Duckworth, seconded by Mr. Dureault:

THAT the meeting adjourn.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.



Chair


University Secretary