

OPEN SESSION**Minutes of a Meeting of the Board of Governors held at 4:00 p.m. on January 24, 2006 in
160 Continuing Education Complex**

Present:

Mr. T. Sargeant, Vice-Chair
 Mr. D. Ames
 Ms. A. Aziz
 Ms. J. Charles
 Dr. J. Cooper
 Ms. E. Gordon
 Dr. J. Hoskins
 Ms. H. Milan

Dr. W. Norrie
 Mr. S. Reddy
 Ms. J. Simons
 Dr. E.J.E. Szathmáry
 Mr. T. Strutt
 Mr. D. Vandal
 Ms. C. Van De Kerckhove
 Ms. S. Van Schie

Also Present:

Dr. M. Gabbert, UMFA Assessor
 Ms. M. Gallant, UMSU Assessor
 Ms. E. Goldie, V.P. (External)
 Dr. R. Kerr, V.P. (Academic) & Provost
 Dr. J. Keselman, V.P. (Research)

Ms. D. McCallum, V.P. (Administration)
 Mr. T. Moyle, Support Staff Assessor
 Ms. C. Keachie, Governance Specialist
 Mr. J. Leclerc, University Secretary
 Mr. J. Danis, Director, Housing and Student
 Life
 Ms. Jenna Faurshou, Resident Advisor,
 Tache Hall
 Mr. Julio Ramirez, Residence Don,
 St. John's College

Regrets:

Mr. W. Anderson, Chair
 Mr. A. Black
 Mr. S. Narine
 Dr. D. Ruth
 Dr. I. Smith

Absent:

Mr. S. Hennessey
 Mr. D. Ward

FOR ACTION

2. **MINUTES:** November 22, 2005

2.1 Approved as circulated

It was moved by Mr. Ames, seconded by Mr. Vandal:

THAT the minutes of the November 22, 2005 Board of Governors Open Session meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

2.2 Business Arising - Question regarding a breakdown for undergraduate, graduate, and international student enrollment, and percentage change in international undergraduate and graduate enrollment.

Dr. Szathmáry responded to this question by noting the following:

	2005/06	2004/05	% change
Total	28,049	27,631	1.5%
Undergraduate	24,267	23,935	1.4%
Graduate	3,332	3,260	2.2%
International Undergraduate	2092	1732	20.78%
International Graduate	500	503	-0.6%

PRESENTATION

Mrs. McCallum introduced Mr. Joe Danis, Director of Housing and Student Life, Ms. Jenna Fauschou, Residence Advisor, and Mr. Julio Ramirez, Resident Don, St. John's College. Mr. Sargeant thanked the presenters for having taken the time to share their insights with the Board.

3. FROM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - none

4. FROM ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

4.1 Report of the Senate Committee on Awards dated September 29, 2005

It was moved by Dr. Cooper, seconded by Mr. Reddy:

THAT the Board of Governors approve the 7 new awards and 12 award amendments as set out in Appendix "A" of the Report of the Senate Committee on Awards (dated September 29, 2005).

CARRIED

4.2 Report of the Senate Committee on Awards dated November 3, 2005

It was moved by Dr. Cooper, seconded by Ms. Gordon:

THAT the Board of Governors approve the 5 new awards, 9 award amendments, and 2 award withdrawals as set out in Appendix "A" of the Report of the Senate Committee on Awards (dated November 3, 2005).

CARRIED

4.3 Report of the Senate Committee on Awards dated November 3, 2005 - Part B

It was moved by Dr. Cooper, seconded by Dr. Norrie:

THAT the Board of Governors approve the Enterprise Rent-A-Car Foundation Scholarship, Farm Credit Canada Scholarship and Winston Samlalsingh Scholarship as set out in Appendix "A" of the report of the Senate Committee on Awards Part B [dated November 3, 2005].

CARRIED

5. **FROM FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE**

5.1 Student Referendum: School of Medical Rehabilitation

A referendum was held on November 3, 2005 by students in the Master of Occupational Therapy Program concerning student fees to the School of Medical Rehabilitation. The students voted in favour of contributing \$50.00 per year to the School of Medical Rehabilitation Endowment Fund. There were 39 students eligible to vote. Of these 34 voted "yes" and 5 voted "no". There were no spoiled ballots.

It was moved by Dr. Hoskins, seconded by Ms. Van Schie:

THAT the Board of Governors approve a \$50 per year student contribution to the School of Medical Rehabilitation Endowment Fund to be assessed on students in the Master of Occupational Therapy Program in the School of Medical Rehabilitation effective September, 2006, as outlined in a letter from Dr. Emily Etcheverry, Director, School of Medical Rehabilitation.

CARRIED

5.2 Student Referendum: Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences

A referendum was held on November 28th and 29th, 2005 concerning a \$3.34 per credit hour contribution to the Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences to be directed as follows: 72% to the Agricultural and Food Sciences Endowment Fund and 28% to the Student Initiative Fund. There were 387 students eligible to vote and of these 129 voted; 118 voted yes and 11 voted no. The current contribution is \$95 per year.

It was moved by Dr. Hoskins, seconded by Ms. Simons:

THAT the Board of Governors approve a \$3.34 per credit hour student contribution be assessed on students in the Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences for a three year period effective September, 2006 as outlined in a letter dated January 3, 2006 from Dr. Michael Trevan, Dean, Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences.

CARRIED

6. **FROM OTHER COMMITTEES** - none

7. **NEW BUSINESS** - none

FOR INFORMATION

8. **FROM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE** - none

9. **FROM ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

9.1 Statement of Intent: B.Sc. in Health Sciences and B.A. in Health Studies

The Faculties of Arts, Science, and Human Ecology have submitted a Statement of Intent to the Council on Post-Secondary Education for the introduction of a Bachelor of Science (Health Sciences) and a Bachelor of Arts (Health Studies). Both programs share the same broad objectives: to provide an understanding of health and wellness in the context of the individual, the community, and society with a particular focus on Manitoba and its peoples; to instill critical thinking and ability to evaluate evidence; and to develop knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary for collaborative interdisciplinary employment related to health.

While the full program proposal has not been developed yet, Dr. Lobdell's letter notes "while the resource needs of these programs are relatively modest it is likely that some additional financial resources will be sought from COPSE".

Mr. Ames asked if this program is similar to the Masters in Public Health? Dr. Cooper responded that it is different from the public health program in that it is actually a degree in health and if sufficient science courses are taken, students would obtain a Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences, and if more social sciences courses were completed, one would obtain a Bachelor of Arts in Health Studies. Dr. Cooper also noted that it is for students that come out of University 1.

9.2 Statement of Intent: B.Sc. (Gen.) in Geological Sciences

The Clayton H. Riddell Faculty of Environment, Earth, and Resources has submitted a Statement of Intent to the Council on Post-Secondary Education for the introduction of a three-year Bachelor of Science (General) degree program in Geological Sciences. Prior to the establishment of the Riddell Faculty, students

could choose to pursue a three-year general degree with an emphasis on Geological Sciences within the Faculty of Science. This new program would re-establish that option within the Riddell Faculty. Students would be given an opportunity to gain a basic understanding of geological sciences in combination with a second subject in the form of a minor. As the program would consist of already existing courses, not additional financial resources are required.

Mr. Sargeant asked how new programs originate? Dr. Kerr responded that there is a two-step process used in the development and approval of a new program. He noted that in the first stage, the Council on Post-Secondary Education (COPSE) is notified that there is an intention to develop a new program so that provides an opportunity for comment from COPSE. Dr. Kerr further stated that once COPSE has approved the "go-ahead" to develop the program, then a more formal program proposal is developed and considered through faculties, Senate, the Board for approval; the approved program is then sent back to COPSE for final approval. No program is implemented, however until the Provost is satisfied that sufficient resources are in place.

Mr. Sargeant asked where the ideas for new programs originate. Dr. Kerr responded that the Geological Sciences idea would have emerged from the particular department because when they were part of the Faculty of Science, they were part of the Faculty of Science General Science Program. He further noted that when they moved out of Science, they were no longer part of that particular program. Dr. Kerr mentioned that they are trying to re-create a version of what existed previously.

Ms. Aziz commented that she finds it surprising that in official correspondence to COPSE the faculty is referred to as the, "~~Clayton H. Riddell Faculty of Environment, Earth and Resources~~", or, "The Riddell Faculty". She further indicated students within this faculty are surprised to see this referral as opposed to, "Faculty of Environment, Earth, and Resources."

9.3 *the Clayton H. Riddell*
Statement of Intent: Master of Physical Therapy

The Faculty of Graduate Studies has submitted a Statement of Intent to the Council on Post-Secondary Education for the establishment of a Master of Physical Therapy (MPT) program in the School of Medical Rehabilitation to replace the current Bachelor of Medical Rehabilitation (Physical Therapy). No new funds would be required as the new program would replace the existing Bachelor program. This program will build on the strengths of the existing undergraduate program with a refocus and restructuring around curriculum content in contemporary rehabilitation sciences that is particularly important to the discipline and practice of physical therapy. This is consistent with program changes initiated in a number of other provinces.

Ms. Van Schie asked if it is a requirement now to have a masters? Dr. Cooper responded that the accreditation of educational programs for physical therapists will require by 2010 that all entry level programs in physical therapy must be at

the masters level; she noted that most Universities are moving in this direction.

9.4 Proposed 2006-2007 Academic Schedule

The proposed Academic Schedule 2006-2007 has been updated based only on changes in days and/or dates to conform with the 2006-2007 calendar, along with revised information received from academic units. These changes were included in the agenda material for the information of the Board.

10. **FROM FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE** - none

11. **FROM OTHER COMMITTEES** - none

12. **REPORTS**

12.1 Report of the President

Dr. Szathmary augmented her written report, highlighting several issues. She noted that the 2004 -2005 "Student Evaluation of Educational Quality, or "SEEQ" (ratings for the evaluation of instructors) summary was included in her report. There is also a provision in the evaluation instrument to compare the courses and instructors with other courses and instructors and to rate course expectations. Dr. Szathmary mentioned that she presented awards at the recent "University Outreach Awards"; this is an annual award event which recognizes outstanding contributions voluntarily made by members of the University of Manitoba community, who have shared their knowledge and experience with people outside the University. She also spoke about the new initiative of Housing and Student Life of the development of programs to encourage student leadership. Dr. Szathmary mentioned that the program will encourage others with leadership potential to become leaders through their involvement with the University and the community.

Dr. Szathmary indicated that three more researchers at the University of Manitoba were awarded Canada Research Chairs: Dr. Grant Hatch was awarded a Tier 1 Canada Research Chair in Molecular Cardiolpin Metabolism, Dr. Dean McNeill who was awarded a Tier 2 Canada Research Chair in Information Processing for Intelligent Infrastructure, and Dr. Mostafa Fayek, who was awarded a Tier 2 Canada Research Chair in Isotope and Environmental Geochemistry.

Dr. Szathmary informed the Board that on November 30, 2005 the University publicly recognized the HIV/AIDS research team (lead by Distinguished Professor Dr. Frank Plummer) that received a Grand Challenges in Global Health grant of US\$8.3-million. This is a Gates Foundation Award.

Mr. Reddy noted that it was very encouraging to see the reports about the student leadership program and the community Outreach efforts. From the President's Report, Mr. Reddy referenced page 106 of the agenda, second

paragraph, "Faculty of Education - Internationally Educated Teaches (IET) Pilot Program orientation", which assist graduates of international teacher education programs become certified to teach in Manitoba. He asked how the program is advertised so individuals can be informed of this pilot program. Dr. Kerr responded that this came out of discussions between Dean Wiens, Faculty of Education, and the provincial Department of Education and Youth. He noted that there was already such a huge demand for this project; therefore, it may not be a great deal of promoting for this project, but Dr. Kerr indicated that he would look into this and report back at the March, 2006 Board meeting.

Dr. Kerr also noted that it is a very small pilot program at this stage as there are no funds at present to support this program. Mr. Reddy indicated that perhaps the University of Manitoba can work with the provincial Department of Education and Youth to potentially receive funds for this program. Dr. Kerr responded that he would check into this as well.

12.2 Report of the UMSU President

Ms. Aziz informed the Board of Governors that UMSU Council has been very busy with the federal election, in trying to keep education issues at the forefront in the minds of candidates and student voters. She also noted that UMSU participated with faculty and staff across the province (including other student associations) to obtain the support of candidates for increase in post-secondary education funding. Ms. Aziz mentioned that they encouraged students to pledge to vote and to ask their candidates about education issues.

She also noted that UMSU's Scholarship and Endowment Board has recently approved 14 scholarships for bison athletes (one for each CIS recognized sport). Ms. Aziz informed the Board that due to the new membership in the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS) UMSU is able to distribute International Student Identity Cards (ISIC) which are travel discount cards; over 3,000 cards to date have been given to students at no charge.

Ms. Aziz indicated that UMSU is partnering with the University of Manitoba regarding the tunnel between University Centre and the Allen (Science Building) to sponsor, "Paint that Tunnel" contest. She noted that this initiative is to commission student artists to submit proposals (honorariums and painting supplies will be provided) to try and make the tunnel more interesting to walk through.

Ms. Aziz mentioned that Celebration Week was presently taking place. She noted that each year UMSU in conjunction with a number of partners holds a series of events, namely speaker series and a number of other events. She mentioned that Dr. David Suzuki will be a keynote speaker, in addition to Rob Corddry, who is the Chief Correspondent on Jon Stewart's, "Daily Show". Ms. Aziz indicated that a number of Asian student groups are hosting a film festival each evening. She also noted that UMSU will be having the annual "Pancake Breakfast" each morning in University Centre. She thanked the

University of Manitoba for its support of Celebration Week.

13. OTHER INFORMATION - none

MOTION TO MOVE TO CLOSED AND CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

It was moved by Ms. Simons, seconded by Ms. Aziz:

THAT the meeting move to Closed and Confidential Session.

CARRIED

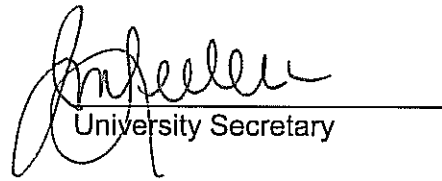
MOTION TO ADJOURN

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

THAT the meeting adjourn.

CARRIED


Chair


University Secretary

