



**Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Governors  
Open Session  
June 16, 2009**

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The meeting was held at 4:00 p.m. in Room 160, Extended Education Complex.

Present: T. Sargeant, Chair  
J. Leclerc, Secretary

D. Barnard	A. Berg	P. Bovey	A. Curran	J. Daly	R. Dhalla
J. Embree	M. Forsen	G. Hatch	J. Lederman	R. Mahé	H. Milan
W. Norrie	S. Rashid	D. Ruth	M. Robertson	A. Sabouni	R. Sigurdson
T. Strutt	M. Tripple	R. Zegalski			

Assessors Present:

B. Austin-Smith J. Sealey

Officials Present:

E. Goldie T. Hay K. Inskip D. Jayas J. Keselman D. McCallum  
G. Pasioka

Regrets:

E. Bowness

1. **Announcements and Presentation**

Mr. Sargeant welcomed Mr. Bowness, Ms. Curran, Ms. Daly, Dr. Embree, Ms. Forsen and Mr. Robertson to the Board and congratulated Mr. Dhalla, Mr. Mahé, Ms. Lederman and Ms. Sealey on their re-appointments to the Board.

Mr. Leclerc provided the Board with an overview of the Code of Conduct for Members of the Board of Governors Policy and requested that all members, including Assessors to the Board, return their signed declaration. Mr. Sargeant reminded the members to decline offers of gifts of any significant amount offered to them.

**2. Approval of the Agenda**

A member requested that Item 7.6 Proposal for a Bachelor of Dental Hygiene Completion Program be removed from the Unanimous Consent Agenda.

It was moved by Ms. Lederman and seconded by Ms. Forsen:

**THAT the agenda for the June 16, 2009 Open Session be approved as amended.**

**CARRIED**

**2. Minutes**

**2.1 Open Minutes**

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

**THAT the minutes of the May 19, 2009 Open Session be approved as circulated.**

**CARRIED**

**3.2 Business Arising - none**

**4. Unanimous Consent Agenda**

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

**THAT the Board of Governors approve the re-directing of \$3 per term that graduate students currently pay into the Manitoban student newspaper into a fund to operate a University of Manitoba graduate students' magazine.**

**THAT the Board of Governors approve eight new offers, six amended offers, and the withdrawal of four offers, as set out in Appendix A of the Report of the Senate Committee on Awards [dated April 6, 2009].**

**THAT the Board of Governors approve the Report of the Senate Committee on Awards – Part B [dated April 6, 2009].**

**THAT the Board of Governors approve the proposal for the Master of Physical Therapy [as recommended by Senate May 13, 2009].**

**THAT the Board of Governors receive for information the Statement of Intent RE: Ph.D. in Environment and Geography.**

**CARRIED**



## 5. Report from the President

### 5.1 President's Report

Dr. Barnard discussed the retreat that the President's Executive Team, Deans and senior Directors had held earlier in the month that focused on the strategic planning framework and budget realities facing the University. He also noted that the President's Executive Team had met with the UMSU Executive last week to discuss a number of upcoming projects.

### 5.2 Strategic Planning Framework

Dr. Barnard discussed the development of the strategic planning framework and the various groups involved in the discussions to refine the plan. He noted that the plan had been distributed widely throughout campus for comments earlier in the month to mostly affirmative responses and that Senate would consider the framework at their upcoming meeting. The intention of the document was to highlight four core areas to develop over the upcoming years: Academic Enhancement, Student Experience, Aboriginal Achievement and being an Employer of Choice.

Ms. Lederman asked how the setting of priorities within faculties and schools would tie into this framework. Dr. Barnard replied that these core areas were the overreaching priorities of the University and that units would develop their priorities based on them. Dr. Keselman added that the evolution of the academic enhancement section of the plan was based on input from the Deans and Directors, thus many of the areas within the framework already capture unit strengths.

Dr. Barnard noted that a refined version of the document, including objectives and targets, would be presented in the fall. Mr. Sargeant commented that it would be beneficial for the strategic goals of the University to be linked more closely to the business of the Board to provide added guidance to the members in making their decisions.

It was moved by Dr. Barnard and seconded by Ms. Bovey:

**THAT the Board of Governors endorse the Strategic Planning Framework for the purposes of planning, subject to similar endorsement being granted by Senate.**

**CARRIED**

## 6. From Audit and Risk Management Committee

### 6.1 Annual Financial Report

Mr. Pasioka presented the Board with a comprehensive overview of the Annual Financial Report, outlining the various funds, the structure of the funds and the detailed year-end amounts in all areas.



Mr. Tripple asked if there was any revenue generated for the University through Smartpark. Mr. Hay replied that the consolidated financial statements presented included the financial statements of Smartpark, however the revenue of Smartpark is not accrued by the University.

Ms. Lederman asked if the statements reflected all the funding coming in for research activities at the University. Mrs. McCallum replied that all the funding which flows through the University, including research funding, has been incorporated into the statements.

Mr. Dhalla asked when the decision to pull money out of short term investments was made. Mrs. McCallum replied that in early 2009 the decision was made and noted that this cash was not affiliated with the endowment fund, it was sourced from funds in the operating fund which are sometimes placed in short-term investments.

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

**THAT the Board of Governors approve the Consolidated Financial Statements of the University of Manitoba for the year ended March 31, 2009.**

**CARRIED**

**7. From Senate**

**7.1 Proposed site for the Art Research Technology (ART) Laboratory**

Mrs. McCallum summarized the project and its integral role in moving Project Domino forward. She noted that the Knowledge Infrastructure Program (KIP) funding would provide \$15 million towards the project provided that the project was substantially completed by March 2011. While other sites were considered, the best site to develop the Lab was determined to be where Alumni House is currently situated. After considering various options, including moving the Alumni House to a new location, the decision to relocate the Alumni Association to Chancellor's Hall was determined to be the best resolution. As it is anticipated that the Department of Psychology will be in Chancellor's Hall until early 2010 due to the Duff Roblin Fire, the Alumni Association will be temporary relocated.

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

**THAT the Board of Governors approve the site for the proposed Art Research Technology Laboratory [subject to approval by Senate on June 24, 2009].**

**CARRIED**

**7.2 Proposal for a Ph.D. in Native Studies**

Dr. Keselman noted that this program would become only the second of its kind in Canada and was in line with the University's priority of Aboriginal Achievement. Dr. Sigurdson added that



this was an extremely exciting program that allows the faculty to sharpen its focus and that the University has talented staff that will be involved with the delivery of the program.

It was moved by Dr. Sigurdson and seconded by Mr. Sabouni:

**THAT the Board of Governors approve the proposal for the Ph.D. in Native Studies [as recommended by Senate May 13, 2009].**

**CARRIED**

7.6 Proposal for a Bachelor of Dental Hygiene Degree Completion Program

Dr. Keselman noted that the establishment of this program would align the University of Manitoba with the rest of the country in having a degree completion option in Dental Hygiene.

Dr. Austin-Smith asked how the new staff position would be funded. Dr. Keselman replied that the position would be funded by the Dean's office in the Faculty of Dentistry.

It was moved by Dr. Barnard and seconded by Mr. Mahé:

**THAT the Board of Governors approve the proposal for the Bachelor of Dental Hygiene Degree completion program [as recommended by Senate May 13, 2009].**

**CARRIED**

8. **Other Business**

8.1 Conflict of Interest Policy and Procedures

Dr. Jayas noted that the need for the proposed Policy and Procedures arose from a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Tri-Council funding agencies and that the University was required to have the policy in place by the end of June in order to be in compliance with MOU.

The Board noted some concerns regarding the drafting of the policy and that it may be too broad with some of the language, specifically in regards to the phrase "personal interest". Dr. Barnard recommended that the policy be approved with the commitment that these concerns would be revisited over the summer and the Board be provided with further information at the September Board meeting. Mr. Sargeant requested that any members with additional concerns contact the University Secretary or Vice-President (Research) directly to ensure the concerns would be addressed.

It was moved by Dr. Embree and seconded by Ms. Forsen:

**THAT the Board of Governors approve the Conflict of Interest Policy as presented.**

**CARRIED**



The Board of Governors received the following items for information:

11. **Reports**

11.1 Update from the UMSU President

Mr. Rashid remarked that the past month had been extremely busy with setting the direction for the upcoming year and looking at various projects including UMSU vision, student engagement and alternative social programming for Spring Break. He added that extended vision care was now available for students and that strides had been made regarding off-campus work permits for international students. Mr. Sabouni noted that the GSA had passed their budget and that planning had commenced for orientation week.

Motion to Move to Closed and Confidential Session

It was moved by Dr. Ruth and seconded by Mr. Tripple:

**THAT the Board of Governors move into Closed and Confidential Session.**

**CARRIED**


Motion to Adjourn

It was moved by Dr. Norrie:

**THAT the meeting adjourn.**

**CARRIED**

  
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Chair

  
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University Secretary

