

OPEN SESSION**Minutes of a Meeting of the Board of Governors held at 4:00 p.m. on March 23, 2004 in
160 Continuing Education Complex**

Present:

Mr. W. Anderson, Chair
 Mr. A. Black
 Dr. H. Duckworth
 Mr. K. Frederickson
 Ms. E. Gordon
 Dr. J. Hoskins
 Mr. C. Kozier

Mr. G. Lane
 Dr. W. Norrie
 Dr. T. Secco
 Ms. J. Simons
 Dr. E.J.E. Szathmáry
 Ms. S. Van Schie
 Mr. D. Ward

Also Present:

Mr. J. Ahorro, UMSU Assessor
 Dr. J. Keselman, V.P. (Research)
 Dr. R. Lobdell, for Dr. R. Kerr
 Ms. D. McCallum, V.P. (Administration)
 Ms. N. Schneider, Alt. Support Staff
 Assessor

Dr. P. Blunden, for Dr. R. Roy, UMFA
 Assessor
 Mr. J. Leclerc, A/University Secretary
 Ms. C. Keachie, Governance Specialist

Regrets:

Mr. S. Alwis
 Ms. M. Albl
 Ms. E. Goldie, V.P. (External)
 Dr. R. Kerr, V.P. (Academic) & Provost
 Ms. L. Meeches
 Mr. T. Moyle, Support Staff Assessor

Ms. E. Prosser
 Dr. R. Roy, UMFA Assessor
 Mr. T. Sargeant
 Dr. I. Smith
 Dr. V. Dhruvarajan
 Ms. D. Young

Absent:

Ms. J. Plater

1. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1.1 None

FOR ACTION**2. MINUTES: January 27, 2004**

2.1 Approved as corrected

It was noted that page 7, paragraph 5, line 7 reading, "It was further noted that by taking...."; the line should read, "It was further noted that taking...".

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

THAT the minutes of the January 27, 2004, Board of Governors Open Session meeting be approved as corrected.

CARRIED

2.2 Business Arising

It was recognized that page 140 under "Recommendation" read, "...to the Faculty of Education Endowment Fund..."; it should have been listed as, "...to the Faculty of Architecture Endowment Fund...."

3. **FROM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - none**4. **FROM ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**4.1 Report of the Senate Committee on Awards dated December 19, 2003

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

THAT the Board of Governors approve two new awards, as set out in Appendix "A" of the Report of the Senate Committee on Awards Part A [dated December 19, 2003].

CARRIED

4.2 Report of the Senate Committee on Awards dated January 28, 2004

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

THAT the Board of Governors approve nine new awards, eighteen award amendments and one award withdrawal as set out in Appendix "A" of the Report of the Senate Committee on Awards Part A [dated January 28, 2004].

CARRIED

4.3 Program Proposal - Master of Environment

The Faculty of Graduate Studies is proposing the introduction of a Master of Environment program to be offered in the Department of Environment and Geography. This graduate program will:

- . prepare students for further study and research at the doctoral level;
- . promote broad-based, interdisciplinary work on environmental issues;
- . improve coordination of environmental course offerings at the graduate level;
- . create opportunities for greater interaction among students and faculty from different disciplinary backgrounds; and

- ensure graduates with undergraduate degrees in Environmental Science and Environmental Studies can continue their studies without leaving Manitoba.

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

THAT the Board of Governors approve the proposal from the Faculty of Graduate Studies for the establishment of a Master of Environment [as recommended by the report of SPPC dated January 26, 2004 and by Senate at its meeting of March 4, 2004.]

CARRIED

5. FROM FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

5.1 Residence Board and Room Rates - 2004 -2005

Proposed Highlights for 2004-2005 Board Plan:

- a) Speechly/Tache Residences - an increase of 5% on board and room rates;
- b) University College - an increase of 5% on room rates and no increase on board rates for a combined increase of 3.0% on a single room with either a small or large board plan, 2.6% on a double room with a small board plan and 2.5% on a double room with a large board plan; and
- c) Arthur V. Mauro -an increase of 5% on the room rate. No mandatory board plan although optional plans are available.

Included in the agenda material was a table providing a comparison of board and room rates at other Canadian universities.

Rationale

In developing the proposed room and board rate increases, the following factors were considered:

- Salaries and benefits are estimated to increase 3% in 2004/2005;
- Utility increases are estimated to increase 8% for steam, 2.6% for electricity, 7.6% for water;
- Principal and interest payments on Arthur V. Mauro Residence will be \$1,320,000 annually;
- In past years, the "missed meal factor" (meals not consumed) has averaged 25% of the total meals which is factored into the pricing of the board plan resulting in lower cost. However, this has been shrinking recently to 15.6% in 2003/04 due to students selecting smaller meal plan options and using meal allotments to purchase bulk product;
- Repair and maintenance costs in Pembina Hall, Speechly/Tache and University College are escalating due to aging equipment and facilities;
- Delivery costs to Pembina Hall have increased 6.1 % over last year; and
- No increase is proposed on the declining balance board plan in University

College.

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

THAT the Board of Governors approve the room and board rates for 2004 - 2005 as presented.

CARRIED

5.2 AESES as an Affiliated Group for Purposes of Group Insurance

The University of Manitoba permits two affiliated employer groups (St. Boniface College and University Medical Group) to participate in the group insurance programs (Life, AD&D, Long Term Disability, Supplementary Health and Dental) in order to provide benefit plans for their staff members. This has been a long-standing practice.

The Association of Employees Supporting Education Services (AESES) wrote to the University of Manitoba's Administration asking that consideration be given to permit the employees of AESES to participate in the group insurance plans.

The University of Manitoba's Administration supports this request. In addition to the premiums for the benefits plans, the University of Manitoba charges independent organizations a monthly administrative fee.

This request was approved by the Staff Benefits Committee for recommendation to the Board of Governors. If approved by the Board of Governors, the group insurance contracts will require an amendment to add the Association of Employees Supporting Education Services (AESES) as an affiliated organization.

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

THAT the Board of Governors approve the employees of the Association of Employees Supporting Education Services (AESES) be permitted to participate in the current group insurance benefit programs being offered by the University of Manitoba.

CARRIED

6. **NEW BUSINESS**

6.1 Student Referendum: Faculty of Nursing

A referendum was held on Monday, February 9, 2004 by students in the Faculty of Nursing concerning students fees to the Faculty of Nursing. The students voted in favour of increasing their contribution from \$50/year to \$65/year to the Faculty of Nursing to be directed as follows: 77% to the Faculty of Nursing Endowment Fund and 23% to the Helen Glass Centre for Nursing. The contribution will be pro-rated for part-time students. There were 1309 students eligible to vote and 56 students voted. Of these 38 voted 'yes', 18 voted 'no' and there were no spoiled ballots.

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

THAT the Board of Governors approve a \$65/year student contribution to the Faculty of Nursing for the two years commencing September, 2004 be assessed on undergraduate students each year when they pay tuition fees.

CARRIED

6.2 Student Referendum: Department of Architecture

A referendum was held on March 1, 2004 by students in the Department of Architecture concerning students fees to the Faculty of Architecture. The students voted 93% in favour of contributing \$50.00/year to the Faculty of Architecture Endowment Fund. There were 141 students eligible to vote and 30 students voted. Of these 28 voted 'yes' and 1 voted 'no' for the continuation of the \$50.00 student fee contribution. There was one spoiled ballot.

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

THAT the Board of Governors approve the \$50/year student contribution to the Faculty of Architecture Endowment Fund continue for the next three years, and commencing September, 2004, the fees be assessed to graduate students in the Department of Architecture each year when they pay tuition fees.

CARRIED

6.3 Student Referendum: Department of Landscape Architecture

A referendum was held on March 1, 2004 by students in the Department of Landscape Architecture concerning students fees to the Faculty of Architecture. The students voted 87.5% in favour of contributing \$50.00/year to the Faculty of Architecture Endowment Fund. There were 48 students eligible to vote. Of these 7 voted 'yes' and 1 voted 'no' for the continuation of the \$50.00 student fee contribution. There was one spoiled ballot.

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

THAT the Board of Governors approve that the \$50/year contribution to the Faculty of Architecture Endowment Fund continue for the next three years, and commencing September, 2004, the fees be assessed to graduate students in the Department of Landscape Architecture each year when they pay tuition fees.

CARRIED

6.4 Bylaw Approval: The Vice-President (External)

The Bylaw "The Vice-President (External)" has been created to establish a bylaw for the Vice-President (External) which confirms the position and confers upon the Vice-President (External) certain powers and duties.

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

THAT the Board of Governors approve the Bylaw "The Vice-President (External) as presented.

CARRIED

FOR INFORMATION

7. FROM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

7.1 Student Referendum: Faculty of Architecture

A referendum was held on January 16, 2004 by students in the Faculty of Architecture concerning students fees to the Faculty of Architecture. The students voted in favour of contributing \$75.00/year to the Faculty of Architecture Endowment Fund. There were 280 students eligible to vote. Of these 119 voted 'yes' and 8 voted 'no' for the continuation of the \$75.00 student fee contribution. The Executive Committee approved this recommendation on behalf of the Board of Governors at its February 24, 2004 meeting.

7.2 University Representative - Manitoba Research Council

The University appoints two representatives to the Governing Council of the Manitoba Health Research Council. Presently Dr. Digvir Jayas, Associate Vice-President (Research) and Dr. Patrick Choy, Associate Dean (Research) for the Faculty of Medicine are the representatives. With the appointment of Dr. P. Cattini as Associate Vice-President (Research), Dr. Keselman, Vice-President (Research) has recommended that Dr. Cattini replace Dr. Jayas. The Executive Committee approved this recommendation on behalf of the Board of Governors at its February 24, 2004 meeting.

7.3 University Representative - Board of Directors of Cancercare Manitoba

The Cancer Treatment and Research Foundation Act stipulates that the Board of Governors of the University of Manitoba shall appoint one person to the Board of Directors of the CancerCare Board for a term of three years. Dr. David Gregory, Dean of Nursing, has indicated that he wishes to step down from the Board of Directors. His term ends August 31, 2005. Dr. Degner, Professor of Nursing, and Canadian Health Services Research Foundation Chair, has indicated her willingness to serve. The Executive Committee approved this appointment on behalf of the Board of Governors at its February 24, 2004 meeting.

7.4 Policy: Chancellor Emeritus/Emerita

A policy was drafted by the Acting University Secretary for Senate and Board of Governors consideration and approval that would create the title Chancellor Emeritus/Emerita. This title would serve to honour former Chancellors of the

University of Manitoba who rendered distinguished service while serving as Chancellor.

Nominations for the title would be received by the University Secretary and considered first by Senate in closed session and then by the Board of Governors for final approval. The Executive Committee approved this policy on behalf of the Board of Governors at its February 24, 2004 meeting.

8. FROM ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

8.1 University Disciplinary Committee Annual Report - September 1, 2002 - August 31, 2003

Included in the agenda material for the information of members of the Board of Governors was the annual report of the University Disciplinary Committee for the period September 1, 2002 to August 31, 2003. Senate had an opportunity to review this report and received it for information at its meeting of February 4, 2004.

8.2 Course/Program Change Summary

Included in the agenda material was a report provided for the information of members of the Board of Governors by the Office of the Vice-Provost (Programs). The report outlined the number of course/program changes approved by Senate in 2003.

9. FROM FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE - none

10. FROM OTHER COMMITTEES - none

11. REPORTS

11.1 Report of the President

11.2 Report of the UMSU President

Mr. Ahorro presented the report of the UMSU President in the absence of Mr. Alwis.

12. OTHER INFORMATION - none

MOTION TO MOVE TO CLOSED AND CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

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

THAT the meeting move to Closed and Confidential Session.

CARRIED



MOTION TO ADJOURN

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

THAT the meeting adjourn.

CARRIED


Chair


University Secretary

