

OPEN SESSION**Minutes of a Meeting of the Board of Governors held at 4:00 p.m. on November 22, 2005
in 160 Continuing Education Complex**

Present:

Mr. W. Anderson, Chair
 Mr. D. Ames
 Ms. A. Aziz
 Mr. A. Black
 Dr. J. Cooper
 Mr. S. Hennessey
 Dr. J. Hoskins
 Ms. H. Milan

Dr. W. Norrie
 Mr. S. Reddy
 Dr. I. Smith
 Dr. E.J.E. Szathmáry
 Mr. T. Sargeant
 Ms. C. Van De Kerckhove
 Ms. S. Van Schie
 Mr. D. Ward

Also Present:

Dr. T. Booth for 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
 Dr. Lorrie Kirshenbaum
 Dr. Adele Perry

Regrets:

Ms. J. Charles
 Dr. M. Gabbert
 Ms. E. Gordon
 Mr. S. Narine

Dr. D. Ruth
 Ms. J. Simons
 Mr. T. Strutt
 Mr. D. Vandal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Mr. Anderson welcomed Dr. Adele Perry and Dr. Lorrie Kirshenbaum who delivered presentations to the Board regarding their respective research work.

FOR ACTION

2. **MINUTES:** September 20, 2005
 - 2.1 Approved as corrected

It was noted that page 3 of the agenda material, first line reads, "...Fine Falls"; this should read, "Pine Falls".

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

THAT the minutes of the September 20, 2005 Board of Governors Open Session meeting be approved as corrected.

CARRIED

2.2 Business Arising

Mr. Black noted that at the meeting of September 20, 2005, Mr. Reddy asked a question regarding children unable to afford to attend Mini University. Dr. Kerr responded that he and Ms. Goldie circulated a request to Deans to obtain information about outreach programs for children. He noted that he provided the University Secretary with a four page document which details a whole range of initiatives, many of which are faculty specific; several of the faculties reported being involved with a group known as "Career Trek". The University Secretary indicated that the document would be circulated to Board members.

Mr. Sargeant asked about earnings from the Alumni Association with their partnership with Bank of Montreal credit card. Ms. Goldie reported that there were two points; firstly, the Alumni Association has moved from MBNA credit card to BMO for two reasons. The first reason was due to the fact that it was financially a better agreement. Ms. Goldie noted that the second reason was due to a less aggressive marketing strategy than that of MBNA. Ms. Goldie indicated that it is forecast that the BMO Affinity card program this year will raise \$67,600 for the Alumni Association; this represents about 23% of the funds that the Association will raise for their own programming.

3. **PRESENTATION**

Dr. Joanne Keselman, Vice-President (Research), provided the Board of Governors with a brief overview of the Canada Research Chair Program, including what its purpose is, and some of its defining features. Dr. Keselman introduced Dr. Adele Perry, Canada Research Chair in Western Canadian Social History, and Dr. Lorrie A. Kirshenbaum, Canada Research Chair in Molecular Cardiology. Dr. Perry and Dr. Kirshenbaum provided the Board with presentations relating to the research they are involved in regarding their particular areas of expertise. The Board had numerous questions for both presenters. Mr. Anderson thanked them for their very informative presentations.

4. **FROM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - none**

5. **FROM ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

5.1 Report of the Senate Committee on Awards dated (August 3, 2005)

Mr. Hennessey referenced page 9 of the agenda, "Report of the Senate

Committee on Awards respecting Awards, August 3, 2005 (Part B), which notes that "...Senate Committee on Awards reviewed two new applications that appear to be discriminatory under policy 419." (which would entail obtaining approval from Senate as opposed to approval at the committee level). He asked why it would appear to be discriminatory. Dr. Szathmáry responded that this is a long-standing practice in Senate; she noted that it goes back to a time when scholarships were restricted to, for example, daughters of the IODE (white upper class has scholarships reserved for them, but none for the remainder of the population).

She further noted that in the 1960's, there was a huge aversion for scholarships being restricted by ethnicity, rather than academic area of study. Dr. Szathmáry noted that Senate wants to maintain the principle that talent is present regardless of one's ethnic background, but Senate's prepared to accept the argument that there may be some special assistance necessary for a particular group (in this instance, Aboriginals).

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

THAT the Board of Governors approve the Mary and Louis Finkle Aboriginal and Immigrant Scholarship and the Sonia and Ralph Kaplan Aboriginal and Immigrant Bursary as set out in Appendix "A" of the report of the Senate Committee on Awards Part B [dated August 3, 2005].

CARRIED

5.2 Report of the Senate Committee on Awards - Part A (September 1, 2005)

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

THAT the Board of Governors approve the 10 new awards and 13 award amendments and one award withdrawal as set out in Appendix "A" of the Report of the Senate Committee on Awards [dated September 1, 2005].

CARRIED

5.3 Program Proposal: Ph.D. in Design and Planning - Faculty of Graduate Studies

The Faculty of Graduate Studies proposes a Ph.D. program in Design and Planning. The proposal was recommended by the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee on August 2, 2005, endorsed by the Senate Executive Committee on August 24, 2005, and as approved by Senate on September 7, 2005.

The proposed Ph.D. program in Design and Planning would support advanced study and research of the built and natural environments, within the broad field of architecture, from the perspective of four design and planning disciplines: architecture, city planning, interior design, and landscape architecture. Design

and Planning refer to two separate streams within the proposed program.

Ms. Aziz asked if there were any new monies being allocated to this program? Dr. Kerr responded that at this stage there are no new resources being allocated for this program. He further noted that there is a desire that the Faculty would like to have this program to what they see as an appropriate size; however, at this stage they have to work with the resources at hand.

Mr. Sargeant referenced page 65 of the agenda, "Attachment 3 - Program Approval Process - Proposal Financial"; he noted there is a figure of \$305,369.88 (total net program costs over four years). Mr. Sargeant asked Dr. Kerr if this total includes any new money? Dr. Kerr responded that there is no new money being put into this. He referenced page 110 of the agenda which notes the review done by the Senate Program and Planning Committee. Dr. Kerr stated when they looked at this program, they noted that it would be enhanced by new academic appointments and that is certainly one of the Faculty's desires and goals; however, there are no new academic appointments being put into running this program. He further noted that the faculty was told they have to work with the resources they have in addition to refocusing those resources.

Mr. Leclerc explained that the proposal coming from the Faculty of Architecture is the first step; the Faculty of Graduate Studies is the next report, followed by the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee (SPPC) report which is the final report. Mr. Leclerc stated that this is the basis on which Senate recommends the program to the Board of Governors. He further noted the budget contained in the proposal is the "laundry list" that the faculty develops when they are putting a proposal together. Mr. Leclerc indicated that SPPC goes through the proposal to gather more information; for example, what does the Faculty need to do, what numbers of students will be accepted into the program with current resources, and what current academic staff will be required. He also commented that the Committee then decided that it could put this program forward with the resources that are currently available to the faculty; this is the basis upon which Senate recommended it to the Board.

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

THAT the Board of Governors approve the proposal of the Faculty of Graduate Studies to introduce a Ph. D. in Design and Planning [as recommended by the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee on August 2, 2005, endorsed by the Senate Executive Committee on August 24, 2005, and as approved by Senate on September 7, 2005].

CARRIED

5.4 Program Proposal: Master of Public Health Program - Graduate Studies

The Faculty of Graduate Studies proposes a Master of Public Health Program. The proposal was recommended by the Senate Planning and Priorities

Committee on August 29, 2005, endorsed by the Senate Executive Committee on September 21, 2005, and as approved by Senate on October 5, 2005.

The proposed Master of Public Health would provide core and elective knowledge and skills in community health, community health assessment, program planning and evaluation, principles of prevention and population health promotion, health services management, and administration and policy development. The program would complement the existing Master of Science degree in Community Health Sciences and the Post-Graduate Diploma in Population Health.

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

THAT the Board of Governors approve the proposal of the Faculty of Graduate Studies to introduce Master of Public Health Program [as recommended by the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee on August 29, 2005, endorsed by the Senate Executive Committee on September 21, 2005, and as approved by Senate on October 5, 2005].

CARRIED

5.5 Change of Unit Name: From Continuing Education Division to Division of Extended Education

The Continuing Education Division is proposing a name change to Division of Extended Education. The proposal was endorsed by the Continuing Education Council on May 4, 2005, recommended by the Senate Executive Committee on August 24, 2005, and was approved by Senate on September 7, 2005.

Over the past few years, the Division has seen a decrease in the number of students registering for non-degree courses. Program choice of students has also changed. There has been growth in the Distance Education, Summer Session and Aboriginal Focus Programs. The name change will reflect this changing audience and their program choices.

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

THAT the Board of Governors approve the proposal of the Division of Continuing Education to change its name to the Division of Extended Education [as endorsed by the Continuing Education Council on May 4, 2005, as recommended by The Senate Executive Committee on August 24, 2005, and as approved by Senate on September 7, 2005].

CARRIED

6. **FROM FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE**

6.1 Student Referendum: Faculty of Human Ecology Endowment and Equipment Funds

A referendum was held on October 11 and 12, 2005 concerning a \$100 per year

contribution by Faculty of Human Ecology students in support of the Faculty of Human Ecology Endowment and Equipment Funds. The result was a 73% vote in favour of the contribution for three years beginning September 2006. There were 449 students eligible to vote; of these 73 voted and 54 were in favour. There were 6 spoiled ballots.

Ms. Aziz asked if it is known what the fee was prior to the referendum. Ms. Goldie responded that it was \$90.00. Ms. Aziz also asked if the endowment funds are governed by specific rules or policies or are they faculty specific? Ms. Goldie responded that when the endowment funds began, there were terms of reference for each endowment fund. She further noted that the terms of reference indicate the composition of the committee which will allocate the funds and the general uses for the funds. She noted that there are student representation on the committees.

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

THAT the Board of Governors approve a \$100 per year student contribution be assessed against students in the Faculty of Human Ecology for a three year period effective September, 2006 as outlined in the memo from Dr. Gustaaf Sevenhuysen, Dean, Faculty of Human Ecology, dated October 20, 2005.

CARRIED

7. **FROM OTHER COMMITTEES - none**

8. **NEW BUSINESS**

8.1 Master Affiliation Agreement with CancerCare Manitoba

A new affiliation agreement has been developed to articulate the University's relationship with CancerCare Manitoba. It follows the format used in the Master Affiliation Agreement with the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority, which was previously approved by the Board. The effective date of February 15, 2002 is for continuity purposes. The previous agreement expired at that time, but the provisions were deemed to remain in effect while revisions were discussed.

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

THAT the Board of Governors approve the Master Affiliation Agreement with CancerCare Manitoba.

CARRIED

8.2 Terms and Conditions: The University Ombudsman

The Office of the University Ombudsman is established under Bylaw 19.00. It provides that the responsibilities and duties of the Ombudsman are to be approved by the Board of Governors.

The Ombudsman has been operating under the general guidelines relating to the

powers outlined in the Bylaw. It was deemed desirable to develop formal terms and conditions for the Ombudsman. These were initially presented to the Board of Governors for consideration on March 26, 2002, at which time they were amended by the Board to change the reporting structure of the Ombudsman. As amended, the Ombudsman will provide an annual report to the Board of Governors and report to the President on an administrative basis. The proposed Terms and Conditions were then tabled to allow the administration to seek commentary from UMFA.

This proposed version of the Terms and Conditions also includes provisions to ensure that the Ombudsman's access to information in the course of investigations is deemed a consistent use under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. This will confirm that the Ombudsman's access to personal information collected under FIPPA in the course of investigations is intended to be and is compliant with privacy legislation.

Mr. Black noted that page 187 of the agenda (The University Ombudsman Terms and Conditions), item #1(a) reads, "violations, misapplications or the absence of *the* University policies or procedures;" he noted that he felt it would read better if the word "*the*" was struck out. He also noted item #5 it begins with "The Ombudsman *shall*.." and the next line notes, "the Ombudsman *will*"; he felt they should be changed either one word or the other [both were changed to "*shall*"]. Mr. Black also felt that page 188 of the agenda, item #11 (c) should be its own paragraph and the next paragraph should be part of that item, making it item #12, and the stated item #12 becomes item #13.

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

THAT the Board of Governors approve the Terms and Conditions for the University Ombudsman as amended.

CARRIED

FOR INFORMATION

- 9. **FROM EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - none**
- 10. **FROM ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE - none**
- 11. **FROM FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE**
 - 11.1 Bylaw No. 5.00 Corporate Seal: Signing of Certain Documents

Bylaw No. 5.00 entitled "Corporate Seal: Signing of Certain Documents", requires certain matters to be reported to the Board of Governors subsequent to signing by the University.

Included in the agenda material was a list of documents which have been signed by the University in the period May-August, 2005 which fall under section 6.00(d) leases of mineral rights owned by the University; section 6.00(e) leases by the

University as lessor of portions of buildings owned or controlled by the University, and approvals of assignments thereof by the lessees; and section 6.00(1) leases by the University as lessee of land or buildings, or portions thereof, and assignments thereof.

11.2 Election of a Chair and Vice-Chair of the Finance and Administration Committee

The terms of reference for the Finance and Administration Committee note that, "The Finance and Administration Committee shall elect a Chair and Vice-Chair annually from amongst its elected members."

An election for these positions took place at the November 8, 2005 meeting of the Finance and Administration Committee. At that time, Mr. Alfred Black was re-elected as Chair of the Committee and Dr. Janet Hoskins was re-elected as Vice-Chair.

12. **FROM OTHER COMMITTEES** - none

13. **REPORTS**

13.1 Report of the President

Dr. Szathmáry augmented her written report, highlighting several issues. She noted that the enrollment reported to Statistics Canada on November 1, 2005 was at 28,049, which translates into a 1.5% increase in students but in terms of credit hours increase, it is a 0.3% increase. She noted that she, Mr. Anderson, and the Vice-Presidents met with members of the Council on Post Secondary Education (COPSE) to review the estimates of operating and capital requirements for 2006/2007. Dr. Szathmáry indicated that the Macleans Survey has been published. With regard to medical/doctoral universities, the University of Manitoba ranked 15 out of 15. She further stated that the methodology by which Macleans arrives at its conclusions is the problem; notably, the way in which Macleans puts differential emphasis on particular factors. For example, the entrance average is weighted at 11% and the reputational survey is weighted at 16%.

Dr. Szathmáry indicated that in terms of the proportion of first year students with an entering grade of 95% or higher, Manitoba ranked 4th of the 47 universities. She also noted that in the average entering grade category, Manitoba ranked 21st out of 47 universities at 83.1%.

Dr. Szathmáry noted that she visited Churchill, Manitoba to see research conducted by Dr. David Barber, Department of Environment and Geography, whose research is conducted in the vessel *CCGS Amundsen*, which was in the Port of Churchill for one day. She indicated that the research is part of ArcticNet, which supports research in four areas with Dr. Barber as the project leader for the theme, "Managing the Largest Canadian Watershed in a New Climate: Land-Ocean Interactions in Sub-Arctic Hudson Bay".

Ms. Aziz referenced page 206 of the agenda material; specifically, Dr. Szathmáry's updates on Physical Plant building projects. She asked about the Centre for Music, Art, and Design Building (CMAD); looking at the Annual Progress Report, she noted that funding for the building was to come from the University's debt that was obtained from the Provincial Government. Ms. Aziz asked why the CMAD building was not prioritized before other projects? Dr. Szathmáry responded that the people that proposed the building are no longer with the University (with the exception of Ms. Carolynne Presser, Director, Libraries). She noted that this was a consortium of the Director of the School of Art, the then Director of the School of Music, and the Dean of Architecture and the Director of Libraries.

Dr. Szathmáry indicated that the CMAD was an institutional priority, but it was not one of the first things that had actually been proposed and accepted as an institutional priority. She indicated that the Engineering Information Technology Complex was an institutional priority, and so it is a matter of where the priority is in the queue; this is partly based on the success of Private Funding (how much private funding is received). The CMAD concept was originally a \$10-million endeavour; the heads of these various units changed over time; now the building would cost approximately \$25-million. Dr. Szathmáry hopes that CMAD will still come into fruition, but cannot move on this until a reasonable amount of private funds are collected.

Ms. Gallant asked if there was a breakdown for undergraduate enrollment, graduate enrollment, and international student enrollment, as well as the percentage change in international graduate student and international undergraduate enrollment this year. Dr. Szathmáry responded that she does have the break-down and will bring it forward to the January, 2006 Board meeting.

13.2 Report of the UMSU President

Ms. Aziz informed the Board of Governors that UMSU has been very busy in the past couple of months. She noted that UMSU and the University of Manitoba students participated in a referendum from November 8-10, 2005 which resulted in an overwhelming majority voting to join the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS). Ms. Aziz also mentioned that voter turnout was at 18%, with over 86% of students voting to join this provincial/national association. Ms. Aziz noted that there is a National Association meeting on November 23, 2005 which several members of UMSU are attending, at which time UMSU will be ratified as a member of CFS.

Ms. Aziz mentioned that UMSU representatives have met with government agencies to talk about funding for the University of Manitoba. She also indicated that UMSU representatives made a presentation to the Federal Finance Committee, as well as to the Council on Post-Secondary Education (COPSE), regarding budget estimates and funding for the University of Manitoba.

Ms. Aziz indicated that UMSU will be hosting an earthquake relief reception on November 30, 2005 to collect donations for the recent earthquake that occurred in Asia. Ms. Aziz invited everyone to attend; the event will be held at 2:30 p.m. in the Marshall McLuhan Hall, University Centre. She also noted that UMSU is hosting a number of events on World Aids Day which is December 1st, 2005. She also indicated that UMSU will be organizing "Loonie Lines" in conjunction with the Alumni Association to raise money for needy students. Last year, approximately 100 food hampers were given to needy students.

14. **OTHER INFORMATION** - none

MOTION TO MOVE TO CLOSED AND CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

It was moved by Mr. Black, seconded by Ms. Aziz:

THAT the meeting move to Closed and Confidential Session.

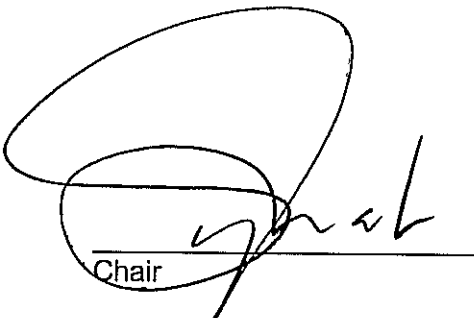
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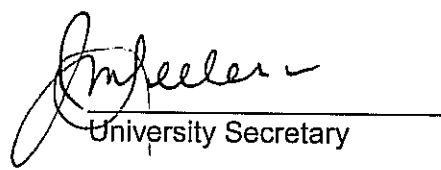
MOTION TO ADJOURN

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

THAT the meeting adjourn.

CARRIED


Chair


University Secretary