

THE UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG
(the "University")
Meeting of the Board of Regents (the "Board") held on
Monday, November 23, 2009 at 5:30 p.m.

PRESENT: J. Allen, L. Axworthy, M. Bayer, S. Biswas, E. Byard, P. Campbell, P. Cyrenne, D. EisBrenner, S. Gemmel, P. Ghorayshi, T. Hidichuk, J. Hogue, L. Kakegamic, B. Keyser, C. Lee, W. Leslie, C. Maddock, S. McKay, M. Molnar, J. Penner, D. Radi, W. Roberts, J. Rodgers, K. Ross, G. Salmon, V. Shantz, D. Smith, B. Stevenson, J. Syvixay, R. Taylor

PRESENT WITH CONSENT OF THE BOARD: J. Baccus, B. Balan, J. Christie, J. Duffy, T. Einarson, M. Emslie, D. Fitzpatrick, V. Gilroy, R. Hanley, D. Hurley, A. Kamara, S. Kirby, M. McPhedran, G. Munt, L. Repski, L. Sokal, E. Stewart, S. Woods

REGRETS: K. Clark, M. Ford, M. Mathen, R. Silver

D. Radi acted as Chair of the meeting and V. Gilroy acted as Secretary. Notice of Meeting having been given and a quorum of Regents being present, the Chair declared the meeting to be properly constituted for the transaction of business.

1. **Approval of Agenda**

D. Radi tabled the Agenda. On a motion by E. Byard and seconded by T. Hidichuk:

RESOLVED THAT the Agenda is approved.

Carried.

2. **Approval of Minutes of the Meeting of October 5, 2009**

D. Radi tabled the Minutes of the Meeting of October 5, 2009, and requested a motion for the approval of same. On a motion by D. Smith, and seconded by V. Shantz:

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Meeting of October 5, 2009 be approved.

Carried.

3. **Board Education - Academic Plan**

B. Stevenson gave a report on the University's Academic Plan.

4. **Report of the President and Vice-Chancellor**

L. Axworthy advised the Board of the passing of Dr. Claudia Wright, and asked for a moment of silence in her honour.

Dr. Axworthy's report included information on the following:

- the University is playing a leading role in a major national project on Housing and the Homeless through the Mental Health Commission of Canada. J. Distasio and the staff at the Institute of Urban Studies are responsible for making the University the centre of this study;
- the University ranks 8th overall in Canada among primarily undergraduate universities in the Annual Maclean's Ranking of Canadian Universities;
- the University has received an award from the Downtown Biz for being the most active organization in the downtown, in terms of renewal;

- Dr. Axworthy has written a paper on Community Learning, which is available online, and will be speaking at the Canadian Club of Winnipeg on Nov. 27, which event all Board members are invited to attend;
- an honorary degree was conferred upon Dr. Ramsay Cook at Fall Convocation, who also gave the Inaugural Lecture to open the new Centre for Canadian History
- the University's website has been named one of Canada's Top 50 websites by web50.ca; congratulations to S. Coates, M. Loewen, Simian Systems, Elemental Motion Media and Daemon Defense for their part in revamping the website;
- the University is undertaking a total compensation review, to review the University's current market position in the area of salaries and benefits;
- the University has developed and implemented plans and processes to respond to the threat of the H1N1 virus;
- a security threat was received regarding an event that was to take place on campus on November 15, 2009. The University community was notified, the Emergency Management team was mobilized, and November 15, 2009 passed without incident;
- in the next couple of weeks, the University will be announcing that the first indoor Bike Storage facility on campus will be constructed, as well as a Bike Lab that will be run by the UWSA

5. **Remarks of the Chair**

D. Radi thanked those Regents who were able to attend the Fall Convocation. She announced that Dr. Claudia Wright will be honoured by the Board, by purchasing and plating books in the Library. She advised that the Board Officers have discussed the idea of Community Learning, and that the Governance and Community Relations Committee has been tasked with looking into this issue, in particular, to develop a process for the Board to review Dr. Axworthy's paper on the subject, and approve next steps. D. Radi continued that the President's Evaluation is an ongoing process, and that the Board Officers evaluate the President's performance based on approved objectives. She advised that the March 22, 2009 Board meeting needs to be rescheduled to March 29, 2009, and that a Special Board meeting has been scheduled for March 1, 2009, to discuss Community Learning.

6. **Reports**

(a) **Governance and Community Relations Committee**

M. Bayer gave a brief report on the recent activities of the Governance and Community Relations Committee, highlighting the areas of policy review, a diversity matrix for Board recruitment, the liaison between the Board and Senate, as well as the size of the Board. He advised that the Committee will be meeting on January 5, 2010, to discuss Community Learning.

(b) **Nominating Committee**

T. Hidichuk advised that M. Bayer has taken on the role of Chair of the Governance and Community Relations Committee. The Audit and Finance Committees are in dire need of members, and until such time that new members have been recruited, the Board Officers will fill in. C. Lee has agreed to Chair the Audit Committee until June, 2010 when he will become Chair of the Board, and T. Hidichuk will be the Vice-Chair of both the Finance Committee and the Audit Committee, until he goes off the Board at the end of June 2010. He asked that anyone interested in sitting on either of these committees contact him directly, and also stressed the importance of attendance at committee meetings.

7. **President's Objectives**

L. Axworthy presented the President's Objectives for 2009/2010.

8. **In Camera Discussion**

9. **Adjournment**

As there was no further business to come before the meeting, on a motion by J. Penner:

RESOLVED THAT the meeting be terminated.

Carried.

Chair

Secretary