

**THE UNIVERSITY OF WINNIPEG**  
**(the "University")**  
**Meeting of the Board of Regents (the "Board") held on**  
**Monday, March 29, 2010 at 5:00 p.m.**

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

**PRESENT WITH CONSENT OF THE BOARD:** B. Balan, N. Besner, D. Burley, J. Christie, T. Einarson, M. Emslie, D. Fitzpatrick, V. Gilroy, R. Hanley, D. Hurley, S. Kirby, S. Kreiner, M. McPhedran, J. Mikolash, G. Munt, L. Sokal

**REGRETS:** J. Allen, K. Clark, M. Ford, J. Hogue, W. Leslie, M. Mathen, R. Silver, D. Smith, B. Stevenson, R. Taylor

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 S. McKay and seconded by M. Molnar:

**RESOLVED THAT** the Agenda is approved.

**Carried.**

2. **Approval of Minutes of the Meeting of January 18, 2010**

D. Radi tabled the Minutes of the Meeting of January 18, 2010, and requested a motion for the approval of same. It was requested that p. 6(d) of the Minutes, with respect to the Doors & Windows Campaign, be amended to read "Regents and Friends". On a motion by M. Molnar, and seconded by P. Cyrenne:

**RESOLVED THAT** the Minutes of the Meeting of January 18, 2010, as amended, be approved.

**Carried.**

3. **Board Education – Research Activities**

S. Kirby presented a report on research activities underway at the University.

4. **Remarks of the Chair**

D. Radi thanked the Board for meeting early at 5:00 p.m., to accommodate the observance of Passover. She introduced new regent R. Lewis, who has been appointed by the Government, and then asked G. Salmon to provide an update on the Board's contribution to the McFeetors Hall "Doors and Window Campaign"..

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

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

- the Government of Manitoba released its budget on March 23, 2010, and a brief presentation will be given by M. Emslie regarding the implications to the University;
- the Collegiate Varsity Girls' Basketball Team are Provincial High School champions, winning the title in Brandon on March 20, 2010;
- work is proceeding on the Human Resources Total Compensation Initiative;
- the University-wide Employment Equity Committee has now been reconstituted, and has met, and will be developing its role and mandate, as well as a voluntary employment equity survey;

- J. Stewart won a SSHRC International Opportunities Project Grant;
- the I “Heart” UWinnipeg Dinner will take place on Tuesday, April 13, 2010, at CanadInns Polo Park;
- the Faculty and the University will host the 6<sup>th</sup> World Religions Summit of Interfaith Leaders in the G8 Nations, from June 20-23, 2010.

6. **Reports**

(a) Update on Provincial Budget

M. Emslie gave a brief presentation on the provincial budget.

(b) Governance and Community Relations Committee

M. Bayer presented a Notice of Motion for approval at the May 10, 2010 Board meeting:

- (i) that responsibility for the existing University policies, both those contained in the Policy Manual, and those posted on the University’s website, be delegated to the University Administration for review, except those related to strategic planning and financial accountability, as determined by the Governance and Community Relations Committee;
- (ii) that the General By-law (#1) be amended to delete entirely the current provisions regarding Policy Development (articles 10, 11 and 12), and replaced with proposed new provisions;
- (iii) that the Board adopt the proposed Statement of Policy regarding Purchasing; and
- (iv) that the Board adopt the proposed Statement of Policy regarding Respectful Working and Learning Environment.

V. Gilroy indicated that the Governance and Community Relations Committee is currently reviewing the University’s policies, to determine which policies should be the responsibility of the Board, and which should be delegated to the Administration. It was noted that any suggested amendments to the proposed Statements of Policy can be sent to V. Gilroy prior to the April 26, 2010 meeting of the Governance and Community Relations Committee.

With respect to the size of the Board, on a motion by M. Bayer and seconded by B. Keyser:

**RESOLVED THAT** the Board authorize the Governance and Community Relations Committee to consult with the various bodies which appoint members to the Board, on the basis of a proposal to reduce the size of the Board by approximately one-third (1/3), with all appointing bodies reducing their complement proportionally.

A concern was raised as to why the reduction would be stipulated ahead of the consultations, and M. Bayer responded that this number was based on research into the size of governing boards of other universities, and is only a starting point for discussion. The Board discussed the benefits and risks of opening up the Act for amendment. On a motion by K. Ross and seconded by C. Maddock:

**RESOLVED THAT** the above motion be amended to remove the words “with all appointing bodies reducing their complement proportionally”.

**Carried.**

Following a brief discussion, on a motion by M. Bayer and seconded by B. Keyser:

**RESOLVED THAT** the Board authorize the Governance and Community Relations Committee to consult with the various bodies which appoint members to the Board, on the basis of a proposal to reduce the size of the Board by approximately one-third (1/3).

**Carried.**

(c) Audit Committee

T. Hidichuk advised that the Audit Committee has welcomed R. Lewis as its newest member, and noted that the external auditor expects to be able to present the completed audit to the Audit Committee prior to the June 21, 2010 Board meeting.

(d) Nominating Committee

T. Hidichuk advised that the Nominating Committee will be meeting prior to the June 21, 2010 Board meeting, and requested that all external regents whose terms are coming to an end, and wish to be reappointed, let their appointing bodies know.

7. **In Camera Discussion**

8. **Adjournment**

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

**RESOLVED THAT** the meeting be terminated.

**Carried.**

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Chair

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Secretary