

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Board of Governors held at 4:00 p.m. on March 26, 2002 in
UMSU Council Chambers, Room 176, Helen Glass Centre**

Present:

Mr. P. Soubry, Chair
Ms. M. Albl
Mr. R. Dhalla
Dr. H. Duckworth
Mr. G. Dureault
Dr. J. Hoskins
Ms. E. Jones
Mr. N. Louizos
Dr. W. Norrie

Ms. J. Plater
Mr. D. Popke
Mr. T. Sargeant
Dr. T. Secco
Dr. I. Smith
Dr. E.J.E. Szathmáry
Ms. W. Thiessen
Mr. J. Kusie

Also Present:

Dr. P. Blunden, UMFA Assessor
Ms. L. Chartier, Support Staff Assessor
Ms. J. Fletcher, UMSU Assessor
Ms. E. Goldie, V.P. (External)
Dr. J. Keselman, V.P. (Research)

Ms. M.J. Loustel, Director, Audit Serv.
Mr. M. McAdam, V.P. (Admin.)
Prof. K. Ogden, Acting V.P. (Ac.) & Prov.
Ms. B. Sawicki, University Secretary
Ms. B. Borsboom, Office Manager
Ms. C. Keachie, Governance Specialist

Regrets:

Mr. W. Anderson, Vice Chair
Mr. A. Black
Ms. S. Van Schie

Ms. D. Young
Dr. V. Dhruvarajan

1. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1.1 Election of Chair, Finance and Administration Committee - Mr. Soubry announced that Mr. A. Black had been elected as Chair and Dr. J. Hoskins as Vice-Chair of the Finance and Administration Committee.
- 1.2 Mr. Soubry announced that Ms. B. Schibler has resigned as a member of the Board of Governors effective immediately. She has accepted a new position and is moving to Ontario.
- 1.3 Mr. Soubry announced that the date for the next Board of Governors meeting has been changed from April 23, 2002 to May 14, 2002.
- 1.4 Mr. Soubry announced that Nicholas Louizous and James Kusie had been re-elected as President and Vice-President of UMSU respectively.

FOR ACTION

2. **MINUTES:** January 22, 2002
 - 2.1 Approved as circulated

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

THAT the minutes of the January 22, 2002 Board of Governors meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

2.2 Business Arising - none

3. FROM THE ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

3.1 Reports of Senate Committee on Awards:

(a) November 29, 2001 Part A

At its meeting of November 22, 2001, the Senate Committee on Awards approved and recommends that the Board of Governors approve five new awards, eight award amendments and one award withdrawal (as set out in the report of the Senate Committee on Awards dated November 29, 2001). These award decisions comply with the published guidelines of November 3, 1999 and were reported to Senate for information at its meeting of January 9, 2002.

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

THAT the Board of Governors approve the five new awards, eight award amendments and one award withdrawal as set out in Appendix "A" of the report of the Senate Committee on awards dated November 29, 2001.

CARRIED

(b) November 29, 2001 - Part B

In its report dated November 29, 2001, the Senate Committee on Awards noted that they had received one award offer which does not meet the published guidelines, namely:

The "Wiciwawin Aboriginal Alumni Emergency Bursary", which would provide immediate emergency bursaries to Aboriginal students subject to certain conditions. This award does not meet the published guidelines because it appears to be discriminatory under Policy 419 on "Non-Acceptance of Discriminatory Scholarships, Bursaries or Fellowships". A letter of support was received from the Aboriginal Student Centre, and no objections to the bursary were raised by Senate at its January 9, 2002 meeting when Senate recommended that the Board of Governors approve this bursary.

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

THAT the Board of Governors approve the *Wiciwawin Aboriginal Alumni Emergency Bursary* award as set out in Appendix "B" of the Senate Committee on Awards dated November 29, 2001 and recommended by Senate on January 9, 2002.

CARRIED



(c) February 2, 2002

At its meeting of January 31, 2002, the Senate Committee on Awards approved and recommended that the Board of Governors approve 15 new awards, eight award amendments and one award withdrawal (as set out in the report of the Senate Committee on Awards dated February 2, 2002). These award decisions comply with the published guidelines of November 3, 1999 and were reported to Senate for information at its meeting of March 6, 2002.

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

THAT the Board of Governors approve the 15 new awards, eight award amendments and one award withdrawal as set out in Appendix "A" of the Senate Committee on Awards dated February 2, 2002.

CARRIED

3.2 Name change Of the Department of Foods and Nutrition:

At their meeting of September 14, 2001, the Faculty Council of Human Ecology approved the following motion:

"THAT the name of the Department be changed from the Department of Foods and Nutrition to the Department of Human Nutritional Sciences."

The change in name was proposed to more accurately reflect the type of scholarly work and research being undertaken by the department. At its meeting of February 6, 2002, Senate approved and recommended that the Board of Governors approve the departmental name change.

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

"THAT the Board of Governors approve the name change of the Department of Foods and Nutrition to the Department of Human Nutritional Sciences, [as recommended by the Faculty Council of Human Ecology on September 14, 2001 and approved by Senate on February 6, 2002]."

CARRIED

3.3 Proposed Site for a new Student Residence and Conference Centre:

The Senate Planning and Priorities Committee ("SPPC") was given an opportunity to review site proposals for a new Student Residence and Conference Centre on the Fort Garry Campus. It is expected that the Residence will be completed for a September 2003 opening. SPPC has recommended that the Residence be located at the corner of Maclean Crescent and Dafoe Road.

At its March 6, 2002 meeting, Senate approved and recommended that the Board of Governors approve the recommendation of SPPC.

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

THAT the Board of Governors approve the site on the corner of Maclean Crescent and Dafoe Road for an apartment-style Student Residence and Conference Centre [as recommended by the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee in its report on "The Proposed Site for a New Student Residence and Conference Centre", dated February 5, 2002, as outlined in the document entitled "Request for Site Approval: Proposed new Student Residence" dated January 31, 2002 and as approved and recommended by Senate on March 6, 2002.]

CARRIED

3.4 University of Manitoba Campus Plan:

The Senate Planning and Priorities Committee (SPPC) was given an opportunity to review and comment on the University of Manitoba Campus Plan "A Networked Community" and the related presentation by Professor Ed Epp, Director of the Campus Planning and Design Initiative.

SPPC recommended that Senate approve and recommend that the Board of Governors approve the Campus Plan in principle. At its meeting of March 6, 2002, Senate approved and recommended that the Board of Governors approve the proposal in principle.

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

THAT the Board of Governors approve the University of Manitoba Campus Plan in principle [as set out in the report of the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee report dated February 5, 2002 and approved in principle by Senate on March 6, 2002.]

CARRIED

3.5 Establishment of a professorship in Behavioral Finance:

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

THAT the Board of Governors approve the establishment of a Professorship in Behavioral Finance [as set out in the request from Dean Jerry Gray of the I.H. Asper School of Business dated January 13, 2002 and as approved and recommended by Senate at its meeting of March 6, 2002.]

CARRIED

4. FROM THE FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

4.1 Endowments:

4.1.1 Department of Architecture Endowment Fund

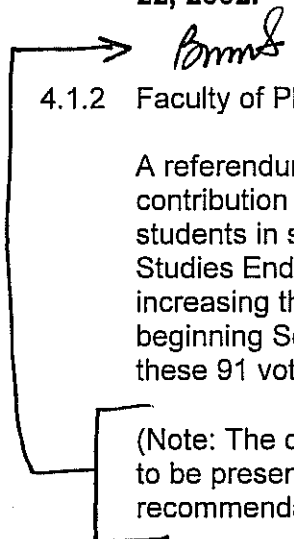
A referendum was held on March 23, 2001 concerning the \$50/year contribution for Department of Architecture graduate students in support of the Faculty of Architecture Endowment Fund. The result was a 93% vote in favour of maintaining the contribution for three years beginning

September 2002. There were 120 graduate students eligible to vote; of this 27 voted and 25 were in favour.

It was moved by Dr. Hoskins and seconded by Dr. Secco:

THAT the Board of Governors approve a \$50/year student contribution to be assessed against Department of Architecture [graduate] students in the Faculty of Architecture for an additional three year period effective September 2002 as outlined in the letter from Dr. David Witty, Dean, Faculty of Architecture, dated January 22, 2002.

CARRIED



4.1.2 Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation Studies

A referendum was held on March 6, 2002 concerning a \$55/year contribution by Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation Studies students in support of the Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation Studies Endowment Fund. The result was a 78% vote in favour of increasing the contribution from \$40.00 to \$55.00 for three years beginning September 2002. There were 338 students eligible to vote; of these 91 voted and 71 were in favour.

(Note: The documentation from March 23, 2001 was not received in time to be presented for implementation in September 2001. As a result, the recommendation is for the fee to be implemented September 2002.)

It was moved by Dr. Hoskins, seconded by Ms. Thiessen:

THAT the Board of Governors approve a \$55/year student contribution be assessed against [undergraduate] students in the Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation Studies for a three year period effective September 2002 as outlined in the letter from Dr. Dennis Hrycaiko, Dean, Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation Studies dated March 8, 2002.

CARRIED

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

THAT the Board of Governors express it's appreciation to the graduate students of the Faculty of Architecture and the undergraduate students of the Faculty of Physical Education and Recreation Studies for their actions concerning their Faculty Endowment(s).

CARRIED

4.2 GSA Request for New Student Organization Fee:

On January 24, 2002, on request by the Graduate Students' Association, UMSU Council unanimously passed a resolution to increase the graduate student organization fee.

It was moved by Dr. Hoskins and seconded by Ms. Thiessen:

THAT the Board approve an increase to the Graduate Student Organization fee from \$23.50 for full-time and \$11.75 for part-time students to \$47.00 and \$23.50 respectively.

CARRIED

14.3 Graduate Student Fees (Continuing Tuition Fee)

It was moved by Ms. Jones, seconded by Mr. Louizos:

THAT item 14.3 be moved from Closed and Confidential Session to Open Session.

CARRIED

An attachment was included with the agenda which highlights the proposed changes to the Graduate Student Fee Assessment Methodology, one of which results in an increase to tuition fee and requires Board of Governors approval. The proposed changes arise from the study of the graduate student fee methodology commissioned by the Vice-President (Administration).

The graduate student fee study was initiated in fiscal 2000 with a broad-based committee that was constituted to examine methods of assessment of graduate student fees and to make recommendations about suggested changes. The result of the committee work was communicated in a June 2000 report that outlined numerous observations and recommended changes to improve fee and course credit structure.

The University community was invited to provide feedback and comment regarding the suggestions for changes through to October 2000. The academic administration matters are addressed through Faculty Council and Senate. With respect to fee administration, further study was undertaken to review the community comments regarding the suggested changes and to assess their impact. The results of this further study were communicated in a July 2001 report that outlined the changes effective September 2002. This reporting process also included invitation to comment and consultation within the University community. The consultation highlighted two points of concern regarding the proposed fee changes. The first concern was the proposed increase to the reregistration fee from \$600 to \$1,200 for all years of continuation and the second concern was about the assessment of a course fee for courses that do not impact the graduate students' GPA in their program of study.

In response to the community feedback and in consultation with the Graduate Students' Association, the proposed fee methodology was revised with respect to the re-registration fee proposal. The recommendation remains that the Continuing Fee be increased, however this increase will only be applied in the third and subsequent years of continuation. Any modest incremental fee revenue that may be generated from this fee change will be used to support graduate student and graduate program initiatives.

Continued consultation and clarification regarding the second concern about the assessment of a course fee for specific courses outside the program of study adequately addressed concerns raised. Inclusion for purposes of GPA



calculation demonstrates whether the course is a course requirement of the graduate program of study. Courses that are enhancements to the graduate program, rather than program requirements, will be assessed a course fee above and beyond the graduate program fee. Inclusion as a component of program GPA will be used as an indicator to clarify and ensure consistent application of existing fee regulations regarding extra courses.

The Vice-President (Administration) advised that the Graduate Students' Association had expressed that the proposed fee methodology, as revised, reasonably addresses issues raised within the consultation process. An attachment was included with the agenda representing a draft mock-up of the Graduate Student Fee Schedule which incorporates the proposed changes. The Vice-President (Administration) advised that all fee changes must ultimately be approved by the Province as an exception to the current tuition fee freeze policy.

Also included with the agenda was information entitled, the "Preliminary Analysis of Comparative Graduate Tuition Fees of Selected Canadian Universities for the 2001-2002 Academic Year" to demonstrate the competitive fee position of the University of Manitoba in respect of Master's, Ph.D. and Continuing Fees.

The proposed fee changes were presented to the Board of Governors for approval.

It was moved by Dr. Hoskins and seconded by Dr. Secco:

THAT the Board of Governors approve an increase of the Continuing Tuition Fee from the \$600 per year rate to a \$1,200 per year rate (pro-rated \$600 Fall Session and \$600 Winter Session) for the third and all subsequent years in which a student registers as Continuing, subject to Provincial approval if necessary.

Mr. Louizos asked for clarification regarding the reasoning for the proposed increase in continuing fees. He also asked what research was conducted in order to arrive at such a conclusion. Mr. McAdam responded that the rationale for the proposed increase is to reflect the economic value of continuing beyond standard completion. Mr. McAdam also noted that research was conducted with other graduate schools in Canada; our fee is very much behind the typical continuing fees of other Universities.

A general discussion ensued respecting the advisability and impacts of an increase in the Continuing Tuition Fee.

Dr. Blunden stated that if the fee increase is approved, more money should go back into the graduate program to help graduate students; Dr. Blunden suggested that this could be done in the form of scholarships and increased teaching assistant assignments.

It was then moved by Mr. Dureault and seconded by Dr. Duckworth:

THAT this motion be tabled to the May 14th, 2002 Board of Governors meeting.

CARRIED

Dr. Norrie suggested that if Board Members have specific concerns regarding the original motion, that they address these to the University Secretary so that they may be looked at during the next Board of Governors meeting.

4.3 UMSU Health and Dental Plan Referendum

On January 23 and 24, 2002, in an UMSU Referendum, graduate and undergraduate students at the University of Manitoba voted 87% in favor of a comprehensive Health and Dental Plan. UMSU Council passed the resolution establishing a Health & Dental Plan for the students commencing in September 2002 for an annual fee of \$197.00 per student.

It was moved by Dr. Hoskins and seconded by Mr. Louizos:

THAT the Board approve a collection of an annual fee of \$197.00 for a comprehensive Health and Dental Plan for students at the University of Manitoba commencing in September, 2002.

CARRIED

4.4 2002-2003 Board and Room Rates for Speechly/Tache and University College Residences:

The proposed board and room rates reflect a 3% increase on room rates and 2% increase on board rates. There is no increase proposed to the minimum buy-in on the declining balance plan at University College. The combined increase for board and room ranges from 1.5% - 2.5%, depending upon which meal plan and room is chosen. Comparative rates from other universities and colleges were included with the agenda material.

In developing the proposed rate increase, the following factors were considered:

- Natural gas prices will remain stable but are lower than 2001
- Salaries and benefits will increase by 2.5% in October, 2002
- Occupancy rate is expected to be at capacity
- Spring and summer conference business is expected to grow slightly in 2002
- Food and paper costs are forecast to rise significantly due to the low Canadian dollar
- Repair and maintenance costs are increasing due to aging equipment and facilities.

The proposed 2002-2003 board and room rates for Speechly/Tache and University College Residences are as follows:



TABLE I

Speechly/Tache			
		2001-2002	2002-2003
Single Room	Small Meal Plan	\$5084	\$5201
	Medium Meal Plan	5157	5285
	Med. Large Meal Plan	5227	5355
	Large Meal Plan	5298	5430
Double Room	Small Meal Plan	\$4370	\$4475
	Medium Meal Plan	4443	4550
	Med. Large Meal Plan	4513	4620
	Large Meal Plan	4584	4695

University College			
		2001-2002	2002-2003
Single Room	Declining Balance Plan	\$4176	\$4250
Double Room	Declining Balance Plan	3462	3315

Mr. Dhalla asked Mr. McAdam if there had been consultation between Administration and the students affected by the recommended fee increases (residence students). Mr. McAdam responded that no consultation mechanism is in place at this time, but that in the future any changes (affecting students in the residences) regardless of the reasons for the changes would be discussed in advance with the Residence Council. However, Mr. McAdam pointed out that the consultations would be for informative purposes. Mr. McAdam indicated that increases such as the board and room rates for residences were driven by actual cost increases, and not driven "for profit".

Mr. Dhalla commented that consulting with students prior to decisions made regarding increased fees may give better insight into services (provided to students) that may not be working; this, Mr. Dhalla noted, may alter plans to increase fees. Mr. Dhalla indicated that students are concerned with the quality and level of services being provided in the residences. Mr. Dhalla asked for the motion to be tabled in order for Ms. McCallum (Associate Vice-President, Administration) to consult with student presidents.

Mr. McAdam responded that he is in support of consulting with Residence Council well in advance of future fee increases. Dr. Norrie raised two concerns; Dr. Norrie indicated that there should be access by students to Administration to voice their concerns; however, a separate issue of concern was fixed costs. Dr.

Norrie felt that the Board should approve the rate increases and set up appropriate mechanisms to hear from students in order for Mr. McAdam to report these concerns back to the Board.

It was moved by Mr. Dhalla and seconded by Mr. Louizos:

THAT this item be tabled to the May 14th, 2002 Board of Governors meeting.

DEFEATED

Dr. Secco indicated that talking to students about the actual increase won't change the actual costs that are clear-cut; however, he indicated that students should be able to voice their concerns regarding conditions in Speechly/Tache and University College Residences irrespective of a cost increase.

It was moved by Dr. Hoskins and seconded by Ms. Thiessen:

THAT the proposed board and room rates be approved by the Board of Governors.

CARRIED

4.5 Policy Approval

4.5.1 Allocation of Revenues Derived from Plant Varieties Developed at the University

This policy sets out:

- a) the duties of certain academic staff members in the Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences including the development and propagation of plant varieties and seeds;
- b) the rights arising from the development of plant varieties and seeds as set out under *The Plant Breeders' Rights Act (Canada)*;
- c) the University's ownership of all plant varieties developed at the University; and
- d) the University's right to licence a plant variety in exchange for the payment of royalties.

It was moved by Dr. Hoskins and seconded Mr. Sargeant:

THAT the Board of Governors approve the policy on Allocation of Revenues Derived from Plant Varieties Developed at the University.

CARRIED

4.5.2 Professional and Confidential Support Staff Policy Panel Terms of Reference

On April 28, 1977 the Board of Governors approved a recommendation from President D. R. Campbell to establish a Policy Panel for Professional and Confidential Support Staff. The purpose was to provide input to the Vice-President (Administration) and the Employee Relations Office on policy matters from members of this employee group. Terms of

reference for the panel were established in the original proposal.

The current membership of the Policy Panel has been reviewing these terms of reference with the Vice-President (Administration) and the Executive Director of Human Resources with a view to revising the document to reflect the current operations of the panel. The revised document includes a mechanism for the Policy Panel members to review and revise the terms of reference without further referral to the Board of Governors.

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

THAT the Board of Governors approve the revised terms of reference for the Professional and Confidential Policy Panel.

Mr. Dureault raised concerns that the PC Policy Panel could change its own terms of reference and potentially amend such to delete any dealings with the issues that the Board felt were important for the PC Policy Panel to address. Mr. McAdam responded that the operating procedures and terms of reference could be changed, thereby including a statement to indicate that revisions to the terms of reference must be referred to the President.

Dr. Hoskins, and Dr. Smith agreed with the concurrence of the Board of Governors:

THAT the following words be added at the end of the terms of reference for the Professional and Confidential Policy Panel:

"The Panel shall report annually to the President on its operation and should recommend changes in its terms of reference and its method of operation which seems desirable."

The motion with the above-noted changes was then carried.

4.5.3 Terms and Conditions: The University Ombudsman

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

The Ombudsman has been operating under general guidelines relating to the powers outlined in the Bylaw. It is now desirable to develop formal terms and conditions which are attached for Board consideration.

It was moved by Dr. Hoskins and seconded by Dr. Duckworth:

THAT the Terms and Conditions for the University Ombudsman be approved.

Mr. Sargeant commented that the Ombudsman for the Province of Manitoba answers to the Legislature; Mr. Sargeant wondered why the same was not true of the Ombudsman for the University of Manitoba. (Mr.

Sargeant felt that the Ombudsman must be independent and therefore report not to the President but to the Board of Governors). Dr. Szathmáry noted that there is a reporting mechanism in place annually to see what types of issues the Ombudsman dealt with during the year and how many case files were currently open; which, by reporting to the President, allows for more detailed discussion between the Ombudsman and the President.

A motion to amend the terms and conditions of the University Ombudsman was made by Mr. Sargeant and seconded by Ms. Plater:

THAT the word "President in section 10(b) of the Terms and Conditions of the University Ombudsman be replaced with the words, "Board of Governors."

FURTHER, that Section 10(c) of the Terms and Conditions of the University Ombudsman be added which reads as follows:

10(c) the Ombudsman shall report to the President, ^{for administrative purposes. Bmmá} administratively.

CARRIED

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

THAT the terms and conditions as amended, be tabled to provide for UMFA comment.

CARRIED

FOR INFORMATION:

5. FROM THE ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

- 5.1 Correspondence from COPSE re: Statement of Intent Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy

A School of Medical Rehabilitation Statement of Intent with regard to the development of a Masters Degree in Occupational Therapy was forwarded to COPSE. COPSE subsequently advised the University that it may now proceed to develop a formal proposal for COPSE's consideration.

- 5.2 Course/Program Change Summary

This report was provided for the information of Board Members by the Office of the Vice-Provost (Programs). It outlines the number of course/program changes in 2001 and in previous years.

- 5.3 Research Contracts Received - October 1, 2001 to December 31, 2001

A report was provided for the information of Board Members by the Vice-President (Research). It outlines the research grants and contracts that were awarded between October 1, 2001 to December 31, 2001.

5.4 Annual Report of the University Discipline Committee for the period September 1, 2000 to August 31, 2001

This is the annual report of the University Disciplinary Committee for the period September 1, 2000 to August 31, 2001. The Board of Governors has jurisdiction over discipline of students, and has delegated the jurisdiction to hear appeals to the University Disciplinary Committee, who report annually to the Board of Governors. Senate had an opportunity to review this report and received it for information at its meeting of March 6, 2002.

The Board of Governors was presented with the following written observations by Dr. David Jenkinson, Chair of the University Disciplinary Committee, with regard to the annual report:

- 1) In Part 2, "Inappropriate Behaviour," the category of "Computer-Related Incidents" appears to have increased significantly over previous years. However, a note explains that this large increase (from 50 in 1999-2000 to 415 in 2000-2001) is due to the fact that the System Administrator can now better identify students who are sharing accounts.
- 2) In the category of "Plagiarism" within Part 1, "Academic Dishonesty" it may be noted that in 1999-2000, there were 11 instances of plagiarism with just three of them involving the Internet. In 2000-2001, nine of the 14 plagiarism infractions were Internet related. This category bears watching over the next few years to see if this one year increase in this form of plagiarism is actually signaling the beginning of a trend.
- 3) In relation to the total number of recorded discipline incidents related to the total number of students at the University for each the past three years. It may be observed that the number of students has increased each year, yet it appears the numbers of discipline cases recorded has remained relatively constant (allowing for the increase in computer related offences due to better monitoring).

6. FROM THE FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

6.1 Trust and Endowment Investments

The University of Manitoba maintains a unitized investment pool, referred to as the University Investment Trust ("IILT") and a smaller portfolio of Specific Trusts for its endowed and non-endowed gifts. Collectively, the UIT and the Specific Trusts are known as the Trust and Endowment Fund. The Trust Investment Committee has general authority over the investment of the assets in the Trust and Endowment Fund and the investment of such funds is governed by an Investment Policy Statement, which was approved by the Finance & Administration Committee on January 9, 2001.

The agenda material includes a summary of the asset mix of the IILT as of December 31, 2001 as well as the performance results for the three quarters ending December 31, 2001. There has been a significant recovery in the returns received from that experienced to September 30, 2001. One of the objectives of the Committee is for UTT investments to achieve a long term, total rate of return, equal to the CPI for Canada, plus at least 5%. The four year annualized return to



March 31, 2001 was 10.2%.

The agenda material also includes details of the Specific Trust investments held at December 31, 2001.

6.2 The Management of Asbestos at the University of Manitoba

The agenda material includes a memorandum from Mr. McAdam (to all Dean's Directors and Heads of Administrative Units) outlining background information pertaining to the Management of Asbestos at the University; further, factual information about asbestos and the effects of exposure to asbestos was included.

7. REPORTS

7.1 Report of the President, University of Manitoba

In addition to addressing her report to the Board of Governors, Dr. Szathmáry advised that she had received complaints respecting an article published in the "Manitoban" on March 13th, 2002. Dr. Szathmáry indicated that the Manitoban is independent of the university and does not receive financial support from the University.

Prof. Ogden noted to the board that Dr. Robert Kerr arrived at the University recently to meet with Deans and that he would be back to the campus in the next week or so to continue meetings with faculty members.

The advisory committee regarding the implementation of a new faculty (Faculty of the Environment) is on target (meeting bi-weekly); in addition, there is a steering committee (meeting weekly) as well as four (4) task forces.

Prof. Ogden indicated that the University of Manitoba Press has been honoured with nominations for the Manitoba Book Awards for three (3) of its published books.

Mr. McAdam augmented information pertaining to the freeze on aggregate tuition fees as stated in Dr. Szathmáry's "Report of the President to the Board of Governors". The freeze will continue with some exceptions (those which would justify a fee increase outside the freeze).

Ms. Goldie reported on the Annual Gift Giving Campaign.

7.2 Report of the President, UMSU

Mr. Louizos submitted the following report:

UMSU's National Forum on Post-Secondary Education is progressing very well. The dates for the conference are currently scheduled for March 2003. Thus far, UMSU has received financial support from the Federal Government. Over 20 student associations from all over the country have committed to participate to date.

This week, UMSU will host another national conference, the CASA (Canadian Alliance of Student Associations) Internal Review Conference. It will commence

immediately following the National Forum on Post Secondary Education conference in the march 2003. CASA is a federal lobbying organization comprised of 23 student associations from across Canada, representing over 310,000 PSE students.

The IQ's expansion will be completed by fall of 2002. UMSU delayed the start of construction until after the final exam schedule as no to interfere with valuable study time. Furthermore IQ's will be open 24 hours during the April exam period.

UMSU is currently ~~orienting~~ ^{orienting} *Bmm* a brand-new council, as well as preparing to select its new executive.

The UMSU Health and Dental plan will have a new office set up in University Center to aid in a smooth implementation of the program.

Members of the UMSU executive have just returned from the CASA lobby conference where we met and lobbied over 70 MP's, special assistants, Senator's, and Cabinet Ministers. The focus of the lobbying surrounded reform of the CSLP program, and Federal research funding.

The 32nd Annual UMSU Celebrations - Festival of Learning and Life was a success. It coincided with the University's 125 festivities. The festival offered a wide range of speakers and events for students. Events were well advertised and attended, resulting in great media coverage.

UMSU in anticipation of the Provincial Government's April budget has ended its postcard campaign with all other PSE student associations in the province. UMSU is hopeful the Province will maintain it's current freeze on tuition.

UMSU has now become one of the largest student associations in Canada, with an increase in its operating budget of nearly 3.5 million due to the Health and Dental plan. This brings the annual amount to over 10 million.

Consistent with other institutions of our stature and size, UMSU will be creating and hiring a new full-time Policy Analyst position.

UMSU has begun to establish an UMSU Advocacy program comprised of students from the Faculty of Law to assist UMSU in its advocacy role for students.

Mr. Louizos stated that he would like to thank the UMSU executive for all their efforts in the past year – James Kusie, Joseph Ahorro, Chris Melnychuck and Christian Stephenson.

8. MOTION TO MOVE TO CLOSED SESSION

It was moved by Dr. Hoskins and seconded by Dr. Secco:

THAT the meeting move to Closed and Confidential Session.

CARRIED

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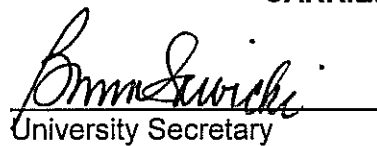
It was moved by Dr. Norrie and seconded by Dr. Secco:

THAT the Board of Governors meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED



Chair


University Secretary