

Item: Board of Governors Minutes, March 1985

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Minutes of a Meeting of the
Board of Governors held on Tuesday,
March 19, 1985, at 4:00 p.m.
in the Board and Senate Room

Dalhousie University
Halifax, Nova Scotia

PRESENT: Dr. A. G. Archibald, Chairman	Mr. G. Martin
Mr. B. Black	Mrs. S. Medjuck
Dr. M. L. Campbell	Dr. C. Murray
Mr. G. T. H. Cooper	Mr. G. Piercey, Honorary Treasurer
Mr. J. S. Cowan	Mr. D. Ritcey
Ms. J. DeWolf	Dr. H. Roper
Mr. P. Doig	Mrs. P. Roscoe
Mr. A. Gigeroff	Mr. A. C. Shaw
Mr. J. W. Graham	Mr. D. C. R. Sobey
Mr. G. Hardy	Dr. C. B. Stewart
Ms. M. L. C. Lamb	Dr. R. C. D. Stewart
Mr. J. G. Lawley	Mrs. P. Weld
Mrs. A. Macdonald	Mr. F. B. Wickwire
Dr. W. A. MacKay	Mr. S. Zwicker

Also present were Messrs. A. M. Sinclair (Vice-President, Academic and Research); B. Crocker (Legal Advisor to the President); M. Wright (Director, Financial Services); M. Roughneen (Director, Personnel/Payroll); R. Bowman (Director, Public Relations); J. McNulty, R. Rodger (Representatives of Senate); and A. J. Tingley (Secretary).

Regrets were received from Ms. Z. Linkletter, Mayor R. Wallace, Ms. H. Robertson, and Mr. D. J. Hennigar.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of February 19, 1985, which had been circulated, were approved.

President's
Introductory
Remarks

The President suggested some additional agenda items, which are reported upon below.

Board
Matters

(a) Board Membership

The President reported that word has been received that the following have been appointed as members of the Board of Governors by the Governor-in-Council, to serve until 30 June 1988.

Dr. D. M. Curry
Mr. D. A. Kerr
Mr. J. W. Lindsay

It was also reported that Mr. John Graham has resigned from the Board of Governors effective March 31 next.

Board
Matters
(continued)

(b) Open Meetings

It was agreed that meetings should be open in future, it being understood that certain matters will be considered "in camera". Information to this effect is to be published in the Dalhousie News and the Gazette. Following some discussion, it was agreed that the "in camera" session be held at the end of meetings.

(c) Board Representatives on Senate Committees

There was no dissent from a suggestion by the President that Board representation on Senate committees, as it now exists, is adequate. It is expected that the Board representatives will alert the Board when this is indicated. It was also pointed out that members of the Board could make suggestions to Senate committees through the Board representatives.

(d) Statutory Joint Meetings

It was agreed that the following should be the Board representatives for a joint statutory meeting to be arranged in the near future:

Officers of the Board
Mr. J. S. Cowan
Mr. S. Zwicker

Mrs. P. Weld was appointed as an alternate.

(e) Committee Membership

It was agreed that a nominating committee should be established, which would have as one of its tasks the nominating of committee members. The following were appointed to this committee:

Mr. A. Gigeroff
Miss Z. Linkletter
Mrs. S. Medjuck
Mr. F. B. Wickwire
Mr. S. Zwicker

(f) Advisory Committee on the Appointment of a President

The Board representatives on this committee are Mrs. P. Weld and Messrs. J. S. Cowan and G. T. H. Cooper. Mrs. Weld reported that the Advisory Committee has begun its work.

Academic
Matters

(a) M.Sc. Degree in Psychology

The proposal for an M.Sc. in Psychology was presented by Vice-President Sinclair. He pointed out that no change in programme, and therefore no costs, would result. The proposal would simply make it possible for students to elect to receive an M.Sc. rather than an M.A., as is the case with the undergraduate degree. Approval was granted.

Campaign
for
Dalhousie

Mr. Sobey reported that progress to date has been satisfactory. He expressed particular pleasure at the results of approaches to Nova Scotia corporations which have been organized by Mr. John Lindsay. He also expressed pleasure at the support received from students. Other aspects of the Campaign are currently being advanced.

Reports
of
Standing
Committees

(a) Finance and Budget Committee

A report on the 1984/85 budget was circulated in summary form, and is attached hereto as Appendix A. The budget is in balance, and it is anticipated that actual results will be at least approximately in balance. The budget was approved. With respect to the 1985/86 budget, the President reported that an advisory committee has been established to assist with the work on this budget. The financial situation is very difficult. It is expected that a proposed budget will be submitted to the Board at its May meeting.

(b) Staff Relations Committee

The report on staff changes was submitted by Mr. Allen Shaw, who drew attention to certain items of particular interest. The report was approved.

The President referred to the passing of Dr. Keith B. Seamans.

(c) Building and Grounds Committee

Mr. Cowan reported that work has already commenced on the renovations of the Old Archives Building.

The architectural firm of Duffus Romans Kundzins Rounsefell Ltd. has been appointed in connection with the renovating of the Chemistry Building.

(d) Student Relations and Residence Committee

Mr. David Ritcey reported as follows:

- (1) The question of tuition fees, formally dealt with by this committee, has been settled as a result of the special arrangements made with the Student Union.
- (2) Work on the matter of residence fees has not been completed. A recommendation will come to the Board in April.
- (3) The foreign student fee differential for students continuing in programmes has been increased to \$1,435. For students entering new programmes, it has been raised to \$1,700. It was pointed out that certain categories of foreign students are exempt.

Mr. Gigeroff recommended that certain student society fees be increased. These are as follows:

<u>SOCIETY</u>	<u>CURRENT FEE</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Medicine	\$18.00	\$1.00	\$19.00
Pharmacy	\$28.50	\$3.00	\$31.50
Occupational Therapy	\$12.00	\$1.00	\$13.00
Physiotherapy	\$12.00	\$1.00	\$13.00
Dental Hygiene	\$5.50	\$4.50	\$10.00
M.B.A. (Full-time)	\$20.00	\$15.00	\$35.00
M.B.A. (Part-time)	\$20.00	\$1.50 (per half class)	

These proposed changes in fees were approved.

Resolution
re Funding

The President referred to a letter sent to the Minister of Education, dated March 13, 1985, copies of which were circulated to members. This letter outlines the concerns about the financial situation.

Ombud's
Report

The recommendations arising from the Report of the Ombud had been circulated with the agenda. Vice-President Sinclair pointed out that the complete report could be made available to anyone interested.

President's
Report

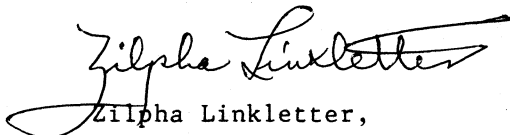
- (1) The President had extended sympathy to the family of Michael David McAuliffe. He described a memorial service which had been held in Howe Hall.
- (2) He thanked those members of the Board who had taken part in the tour of certain Arts and Science facilities earlier in the day for their interest.
- (3) He reported on a meeting of the AUCC which had considered university-government relations.
- (4) The Financial Post had sponsored a meeting involving personnel from universities and business which he had been able to attend.
- (5) He described some recommendations for changes in funding made in a report to the Secretary of State.
- (6) A final decision on government funding for 1985/86 has not yet been received. This is causing problems in budgeting.
- (7) Due to financial limitations, there is difficulty with respect to the accreditation of some medical programmes.
- (8) Opening ceremonies had been held in the Art Gallery with respect to the centenary of the graduation of the first woman from this university. This had been organized by Dr. J. Fingard.
- (9) The President and Vice-Presidents are giving further thought to the organization of the President's Office.
- (10) He described a number of steps which have been taken to identify and deal with concerns within the university.
- (11) He attended an alumni meeting in Toronto recently.
- (12) A number of potential female graduates had been entertained at the President's residence.
- (13) The Department of Athletics did an excellent job in hosting the recent national basketball finals.
- (14) He reminded members that the Board meeting in April will include sessions on both Friday and Saturday.


- (15) He has received many expressions of thanks from those who retired from the university prior to 1982 who had been given ex gratia payments.

Other
Business

It was agreed that appreciation be expressed to Dean Betts for the tour that had been made available to Board members early in the day. There were suggestions that this might be an annual event.

Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.


Zilpha Linkletter,
Honorary Secretary


A. Gordon Archibald,
Chairman