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### Confidential

Minutes of a Meeting of the Board of Governors held on Tuesday, May 21, 1985, at 4:00 p.m. in the Board and Senate Room

Dalhousie University Halifax, Nova Scotia

PRESENT: Dr. A. G. Archibald, Chairman

> Ms. C. Blewett Mr. G. T. H. Cooper Mr. J. S. Cowan Dr. D. Curry

Mr. P. Doig Mr. J. W. Lindsay Miss Z. Linkletter

Mrs. A. Macdonald Dr. W. A. MacKay Mrs. S. Medjuck

Dr. C. Murray

Honorary Secretary

Mr. G. Piercey, Honorary Treasurer

Mr. D. Ritcey Dr. C. E. Ritchie Mr. W. S. Robertson, Vice-Chairman Dr. H. Roper

Mrs. P. Roscoe Mr. A. C. Shaw Dr. C. B. Stewart Mrs. P. Weld

Mr. S. Zwicker

Also present were Messrs. A. M. Sinclair (Vice-President, Academic and Research); L. R. Shaw (Vice-President, Finance and Development); M. Wright (Director, Financial Services); B. Crocker (Legal Advisor to the President); V. Traversy (Director of Operations); I. Nason (Manager, Financial Reporting); W. E. Jones and R. Rodger (Representatives of Senate); and A. J. Tingley (Secretary).

Regrets were received from Mr. F. B. Wickwire, Mr. B. Black, Ms. Jamie DeWolf and Ms. M. L. C. Lamb.

#### Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of April 26/27, 1985, which had been circulated, were approved.

#### Board Matters

#### (a) Schedule of Meetings 1985/86

The President indicated that a schedule will be proposed at the next meeting.

#### (b) Membership

The President reported that the following have been elected to the Board by the Alumni Association; each for a term of three years to May 31, 1988:

> Mr. Peter Doig Mr. Brian Flemming Ms. Margie Cooper

Two further persons will be elected by the Alumni Association. One of these would serve for one year in the place of Mr. Wesley Campbell, who would continue to serve as President of the Alumni.

The President will consult with Government concerning Governor-in-Council appointees and members of the Board were invited to propose names for consideration by the Officers of the Board who would act to nominate to the Board nominees for consideration by Government.

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Board Matters (continued)

#### (c) Institute for International Development

It was agreed that the following be appointed as the representative of the Board of Governors on the Board of Directors of the Institute, provided she is willing to serve:

Ms. Jamie DeWolf

#### (d) Nominating Committee

It was agreed that Mr. D. Ritcey will continue to serve on the Nominating Committee until the work of the current session has been completed, and that Ms. C. Blewett replace Mr. A. Gigeroff.

# Reports of Standing Committees

#### (1) Finance and Budget Committee

Miss Zilpha Linkletter reported that unavoidably the 1984/85 budget had been approved very late. It appears that the deficit for the year will be approximately \$100,000. With respect to the 1985/86 budget, she reported that the difficult situation concerning medical funding is showing some signs of improvement. Mr. Shaw reviewed a document which was circulated to those at the meeting, a copy of which is attached hereto as Appendix A.

It was agreed that the recommended 1985/86 budget be approved.

- (2) Building and Grounds Committee
- Mr. J. S. Cowan advised that a major report of this committee will be presented at the next meeting.
- (3) Student Relations and Residence Committee
  The annual report of this committee had been circulated with the agenda.
- (4) Audit Committee

Mr. George Piercey reported that this committee will meet im June. It is expected that the report of the committee will be circulated to members of the Board prior to the June meeting.

## Campaign for Dalhousie

In the absence of Mr. D. Sobey, Mr. A. G. Archibald reported for this committee. The results to date have been encouraging. He referred particularly to two very large gifts from corporations. Mr. John Lindsay, who is organizing the campaign with respect to Nova Scotia corporations, reported that the target for gifts from these has been raised.

# President's Report

- (1) He advised that the recent announcement concerning government funding contained no new information beyond that reported to the Board at its April meeting.
- (2) The M.P.H.E.C. has advised the university that the operating deficit must be reduced. As yet there has been no response to the plan for reducing the deficit that the university has submitted.

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# President's Report (continued)

- (3) He and other Presidents in the local area met with members of the Education Committee of the legislature to discuss university problems.
- (4) He met with the Minister of Education to discuss Dalhousie concerns.
- (5) The Investment Committee has switched certain funds from equity to interest-bearing investments to increase current revenue.
- (6) He referred to class reunions and the convocations which have taken place recently. The reunions were well organized, and the addresses given at convocations were excellent. Reference was made to the convocations of the University of King's College and the Nova Scotia Agricultural College at which Dalhousie degrees were awarded.
- (7) The campus is very busy this summer. In addition to the usual summer school, a number of conferences and other activities are being held.
- (8) Progress is being made concerning the appointment of senior administrators.

#### In Camera

Report on Staff Changes

The report had been circulated with the agenda, and an addendum was provided to those present at the meeting. Mr. A. Shaw drew attention to certain appointments of particular interest.

The President thanked those Alumni Members whose terms have now been completed for their service.

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

Zilpha Linkletter,

Honorary Secretary

Gordon Archibald

Chairman