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**Board of Governors Meeting
Dalhousie University
April 23, 2002**

Participating were:

Mr. James Cowan Chair	Mr. Robert Radchuck
Mr. Wesley Campbell	Mr. John Risley
Mr. Gerald Clarke	Dr. Michael Shepherd
Hon. Lorne Clarke	Dr. Alasdair Sinclair
Mr. Murray Coolican	Dr. Jim Spatz
Dr. Mohammed El-Hawary	Mr. Peter Stuart
Mr. Charles Freeman	Ms. Nancy Tower
Mr. Ben Isserlin	Mr. Shawn Tracey
Mr. Colin Latham	Dr. Tom Traves President
Ms. Cathy MacNutt	Mr. Jeff Woodbury
Mr. Don Mills	

Regrets from: Ms. Elizabeth Beale, Mr. David Craig, Dr. Lucy Ellen Canary, Dr. Daurene Lewis, Ms. Ann Petley-Jones, Dr. David Precious, and Mr. Bruce Towler.

Also participating were: Dr. Carl Breckenridge (Vice-President Research), Dr. Dale Godsoe (Vice-President External), Mr. Bryan Mason (Vice-President Finance and Administration), Mr. Eric McKee (Vice-President Student Services), Dr. Sam Scully (Vice-President Academic and Provost); Mr. Brian Christie (Executive Director, Institutional Affairs); Ms. Ann Janega (Director, Public Relations); Ms. Catherine Young (Manager, Internal Communications, Public Relations), and Ms. Sharlene Drake (Secretary).

1. Approval of Proposed Agenda

The agenda was approved as presented.

2. Approval of minutes for the February 19, March 13, and April 2, 2002 Board meetings

The minutes were approved as distributed.

3. Report of the Chair

Mr. Cowan noted that this was the last meeting for Mr. Tracey and Mr. Isserlin and thanked them for their service to the Board and to the University in general.

Mr. Cowan then congratulated Mr. Mills who served as Chair for a successful gala dinner to raise funds for the Arthritis Society (Nova Scotia Division).

4. Report of the President

Dr. Traves provided an update on University operations following the strike. He noted that the scheduled classes would now run until April 25 with a reduced exam schedule set for April 27 to 29. The University had offered a tuition credit and no academic penalty to students who wanted to withdraw from classes. Approximately \$750,000 in credits had been given. Other assistance such as funding for alternative travel arrangements had also been offered to students.

Dr. Traves noted that a one-time grant of \$5.4 million had been received from the Federal Government to cover the indirect costs of research both at Dalhousie and at the affiliated hospitals. A call for submission for major projects has been sent out and will be evaluated based on a number of criteria including urgency, size, and availability of funding from other sources.

5. Report from the Dalhousie Student Union

Mr. Tracey, in his last meeting as President of the DSU, agreed with the President that students are generally pleased with post-strike remedies. He expressed a hope that labor relations will improve over the coming months and that future strikes can be avoided. Mr. Tracey thanked the Senate for their quick response upon the resumption of classes to allow for as much flexibility as possible with the schedule.

Mr. Tracey congratulated Ms. Johanne Galarneau who had been elected as President of the DSU, Kristen Brown who had been elected to serve as a Board Member, and Mr. Chuck Freeman who had been re-elected to the Board for a further term. On behalf of himself and Mr. Isserlin, Mr. Tracey thanked the Board for an interesting year.

6. Reports of the Standing Committees

- **Academic Affairs Committee**

The report was approved as distributed.

- **Nominating Committee**

Dr. Traves moved and Mr. Radchuck seconded a motion THAT based on the recommendation of the Nominating Committee, the Board of Governors approve the motion that the names of Hon. Lorne Clarke, Mr. Murray Coolican, Mr. Colin Latham, Dr. Daurene Lewis, Mr. Don Mills, and Mr. Peter Stuart be forwarded to the Governor in Council for reappointment for three-year terms effective July 01, 2002. The motion carried.

7. **Appointment of DSU representatives to the Board**
Mr. Tracey moved and Dr. El-Hawary seconded a motion that the Board of Governors approve the appointment of Ms. Johanne Galarneau and Ms. Kristen Brown to the Board and the re-appointment of Mr. Chuck Freeman all for one-year terms effective 01 May 2002. The motion carried.

The meeting then moved to an *In Camera* session where Dr. Scully provided a report on recruitment and retention of faculty members and Dr. Breckenridge reported on research issues at Dalhousie.

Don Mills
Honorary Secretary

James Cowan
Chair

The meetings of the Board of Governors are recorded and the tapes are available for review in the office of the Secretary.

**Report of the
Academic Affairs Committee
to the
Board of Governors
Dalhousie University
April 23, 2002**

The Academic Affairs Committee met on February 22, March 21, and April 18, 2002 at which time they approved the following:

- Routine Staff Matters which include the following appointments: new full and part-time, Professor Emeritus, post-retirement, Chairs, Directors, Killam Research Professorships, and extensions.
- Master of Health Informatics
This program which offered through the Faculty of Computer Science with the cooperation of the Faculty of Medicine and the School of Business Administration is designed to educate students in the use of computing and information technology in health research, education, patient care, policy setting, and health services administration.
- Master of Engineering In Environmental Engineering and Master of Applied Science in Environmental Engineering
These programs are in response to strong recent and anticipated employment growth in the environmental industry locally and nationally.
- Master of Arts in Economics
This program provides a non-thesis option within the existing MA program in Economics.
- Combined Graduate Diploma in Prosthodontics and Master of Applied Science in Biomedical Engineering
This three year program will address the documented need for clinical-scientists prepared for academic careers in Prosthodontics and Biomedical Engineering.
- Cooperative Diploma in Disability Management
This is a modification of the Diploma Program in Disability Management which has been offered in a distance-education mode since 1999 and is intended for those who possess an undergraduate degree in the health professions but are not currently working in the disability management field. It is the only program in Canada integrating on-line disability management course with an extensive work practicum.

- **Modification to the BSc (Occupational Therapy) program**
This modification will reduce the number of credits required for graduation and will distinguish between the honours and standard program.

Discussions continued on the Maclean's rankings and what Dalhousie can do to affect these ratings.

Alasdair Sinclair
Chair

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Be It Resolved:

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