

Item: Board of Governors Minutes, September 1985

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Minutes of a Meeting of the
Board of Governors held on Tuesday,
September 17, 1985, at 4:00 p.m. in the
Board and Senate Room

Dalhousie University
Halifax, Nova Scotia

PRESENT: Mr. W. G. Campbell	Mrs. Annemarie MacDonald
Mr. G. T. H. Cooper	Dr. W. A. MacKay
Mrs. Margie Cooper	Mr. G. C. Piercey
Dr. D. M. Curry	Vice-Chairperson
Honorary Secretary	Mr. W. S. Robertson
Mr. Stevan Ellis	Chairperson
Mr. Brian Flemming	Dr. Henry Roper
Mrs. Betty Flinn	Mr. A. C. Shaw
Mrs. Jean Fraser	Honorary Treasurer
Miss Jill Jackson	Mrs. Peggy Weld
Miss Mary Lamb	Vice-Chairperson
Miss Zilpha Linkletter	

Also present were Messrs. B. C. Crocker (Legal Advisor to the President); L. R. Shaw (Vice-President, Finance and Development); J. Graham (Assistant Vice-President, University Services); A. M. Sinclair (Vice-President, Academic and Research); V. Traversy (Coordinator of Operations); M. Wright (Director, Financial Services); M. Roughneen (Director, Personnel Payroll); J. Sykes (Director, Physical Planning and Space Management); R. Willwerth (Duffus, Romans, Kundzins, Rounsefell Ltd.); J. Mabley (Assistant Vice-President, Development); Ms. M. MacDonald (Director, Public Relations); and A. J. Tingley (Secretary).

Regrets were received from Mr. D. A. Kerr, Mr. J. W. Lindsay, Mrs. Shirley Medjuck, Dr. Clifford Murray and Mr. Sherman Zwicker.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of August 20, 1985, were amended by deleting the name J. Moore and adding P. Doig. With this amendment, the minutes of the meetings of June 18 and August 20 were approved.

President's Introductory Remarks

The President advised that the agenda of Executive meetings together with supporting documents will be circulated to all members of the Board. These meetings will be open to Board members and others.

He reported that Mr. John O. Lee, Student Representative on the Board, has resigned. Ms. M. MacDonald has also resigned. He reviewed the vacancies that currently exist, and invited suggestions.

He asked that certain matters be added to the agenda. These are reported on below.

Board Matters

(a) Report of the Nominating Committee

The report of the Nominating Committee was presented by the President, in the absence of Mrs. S. Medjuck. Nominees to the various Committees are shown in the document attached as Appendix A. Certain nominees had not yet been contacted so changes may be necessary. The nominations were approved, subject to the agreement of those asked to serve.

Academic
Matters

(a) Termination of the Programme in Engineering Physics

Dr. A. M. Sinclair pointed out that arrangements have been made whereby this Programme is now offered by the Technical University of Nova Scotia and is no longer offered by Dalhousie. It therefore should be officially terminated. This was approved.

(b) Implementation of the B.Sc. (Nursing)

A Programme leading to the degree has been approved by the MPHEC and is recommended by Senate for implementation. Dr. Sinclair pointed out that this is essentially a revision of the previous programme leading to the degree Bachelor of Nursing. Approval was granted.

Reports of
Standing
Committees

(a) Buildings and Grounds Committee

This report was presented by W. G. Campbell.

Mr. John Graham was invited to report on the Law School situation. Certain of the classrooms in the Weldon Building are already operating, and others will be usable soon. The Faculty have offices in the Killam Library and some may be able to move back to the Weldon Building by Christmas. The Library is in partial operation on the fourth floor of the Killam Library. The interim arrangements are working reasonably well. Planning for the future is taking place.

Planning for the renovation of the Chemistry Building is proceeding. L. R. Shaw reviewed needs and indicated that there have been some costing problems. A model of the proposed structure with an addition to the existing building was presented by J. Sykes and R. Willwerth who described how the work will proceed.

Mr. Campbell reported that the Old Archives Building has been occupied by the Department of Mathematics while renovations are still proceeding. The work will be completed soon, within budget. Government funding has been recommended by the MPHEC.

The President reported that the Matheson house on South Street became available for purchase during the summer, and was purchased. This transaction was ratified.

The President introduced a resolution that would enable the Officers of the University and the Board to deal with routine transactions, which would subsequently be reported to the Board. This resolution will be circulated and dealt with at the next meeting.

J. Graham was called upon by Mr. Campbell to report on the student housing situation. There will be some loss of places, which it is hoped will be replaced by new construction. It was agreed that the Building Committee and Officers of the Board be authorized to engage architects concerning plans.

Mr. Campbell asked that authority be granted to the Buildings and Grounds Committee and Officers of the Board to have the architects proceed to

draw up full working drawings for the addition to the Chemistry Building. This was granted.

(b) Report of the Audit Committee

The report of the Audit Committee had been previously circulated. After some comments by the Chairman of the Committee, Mr. G. C. Piercey, the report was approved.

(c) Staff Benefits Committee

A recommendation of this Committee had been circulated and is included in the document attached here as Appendix B. Mr. Roughneen elaborated on the recommendation, which was then approved.

(d) Staff Relations Committee

The report of this Committee was presented by Mr. A. C. Shaw.

The following recommendations were approved:

1. Acting under Clause 8.06, the Association/Board Committee recommends to the parties the following changes to the Collective Agreement:

- (i) the words "and Members in the School of Dental Hygiene" shall be removed from Clause 30.34(b)
- (ii) the figure "\$17,000" in Clause 30.34(b) shall be changed to "\$13,000"
- (iii) the figure "\$233,000" in Clause 30.34(a)(1) and 30.34(a)(2)(b) shall be changed to "\$237,000"

and

2. Acting under Clause 8.06, the Association/Board Committee recommends to the parties that the words "from 15 to 19 creditable years" in Clause 31.28(b) be changed "from 15 to 20 creditable years".

Authority was granted to the Officers to ratify and sign a contract with local 968 of the International Union of Operating Engineers, provided the union ratifies it.

(e) University Budget Advisory Committee

A report of this Committee in the form of an edition of the Dal News was circulated. L. R. Shaw commented that the Committee had been set up to bring about a broader perspective and greater input into financial decisions.

Campaign For
Dalhousie

Mr. John Mabley reported on the progress to date. He made available to the Board printed material which has been prepared by his Office.

MPHEC
Submissions

Copies of two parts of a submission to MPHEC had been provided for members of the Board. A third part will ultimately be available.

Applied
Microelectronics
Guarantee

It was recommended that an increase in the guarantee by the University to \$50,000 for a loan to the Applied Microelectronics Institute be authorized. This was approved.

Administrative
Structure - AUAA

Approval in principle to a recommendation of the AUAA for a change in structure was granted.

Appointment of
Ombud and
Assistant Ombud

Mr. Greg Cooper and Ms. Wendy E. MacGregor had been recommended by Senate and by the Council of Students for appointment to the respective positions. Approval of these appointments was granted.

President's
Report

A written report will be circulated later.

Preliminary
Enrollment
Figures

Dr. A. M. Sinclair reported that present indications are that there will be a modest increase in enrollment. Some changes in the enrollment pattern have made it necessary to make some part-time appointments.

In Camera

Report on Staff Changes

A report on staff changes had been circulated, and an addendum was presented at the meeting. Mr. A. C. Shaw commented on certain items of particular interest. With two amendments as to ranks (recorded on the copy in the official file) this report was approved.

The President referred to the passing of Dr. Donald O. Hebb, Professor Cecil Tuck, and Miss Christine Irvine. Dr. Rodger commented on the contributions and stature of Dr. Hebb.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.



Donna M. Curry
Honorary Secretary



W. Struan Robertson
Chairperson

**Termination of Degree Programme
in Engineering Physics**

The approval of the Board of Governors is sought to terminate the Degree Programme in Engineering Physics.

In 1982 Dalhousie Faculty Members in Engineering Physics were transferred to the Technical University of Nova Scotia, which assumed major responsibility for the Programme. The last graduate from the Dalhousie programme received a degree in May of 1984, and the first graduate from the new Engineering Physics Programme received a degree from the Technical University of Nova Scotia in May of 1985. It is therefore now appropriate to formally terminate the Degree Programme at Dalhousie.

This has been recommended to the Board by the Senate at its meeting of 22nd July, 1985.

**PROPOSAL FOR BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
(NURSING)**

Board Members are asked to consider granting approval for the implementation of a Bachelor of Science (Nursing).

The new degree programme will replace the current Bachelor of Nursing Programme. It brings together the current content in the Bachelor of Nursing Degree Programme. It increases the compulsory science courses from 24 to 39 credits and the total credits for the Programme, from 120 to 123.

This proposal was approved by the Board on April 26, 1985, and is being presented for implementation. MPHEC has given its approval, and Senate approval for implementation was given on September 4, 1985.

September 5, 1985