

MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY OF NEWFOUNDLAND

BOARD OF REGENTS

The regular meeting of the Board of Regents was held on Thursday, November 9, 1995, in the Board Room of the University, at 4:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Ms. Janet Gardiner, Chair
Dr. Arthur May, President and Vice-Chancellor
Dr. Jaap Tuinman, Vice-President (Academic) & Pro Vice-Chancellor
Mr. David Andrews
Mr. Gerry Bishop
Dr. Ches Blackwood
Mr. Aubrey Bonnell
Ms. Mary Ennis
Mr. Chris Facey
Mr. Peter Fenwick
Mr. Sean Hanrahan
Ms. Gudrid Hutchings
Mr. Ed Kennedy
Ms. Barbara Lewis
Dr. Robert MacLeod
Mr. Robert Mendoza
Mr. George Neal
Mr. David Power
Mr. Raymond Rose
Ms. Grace Stapleton
Ms. Maureen Woodrow
Mr. Mel Woodward
Ms. Eleanor Bennett, Secretary

APOLOGIES: The Honourable John Crosbie, Ms. Jeannie French, Ms. Frankie O'Neill, Mr. Alexander Roche, Ms. Heather Tulk and Ms. Betty Williams.

PRESENT BY INVITATION: Mr. Wayne Thistle, Vice-President (Administration and Finance) and Legal Counsel.

1. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Regents held on Thursday, October 12, 1995, copies of which were circulated prior to the meeting, were accepted by the Board.

2. BUSINESS ARISING

1. BUDGET CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

The President reported that he had received notification signed by representatives of all union groups on campus refusing his offer to participate in the University Budget Consultative Committee which had been proposed to concentrate on budgetary problems and financial issues facing the University. He advised that this committee would be replaced by a consultative process on university priorities and resources.

3. CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

The Chair welcomed to the meeting Ms. Victoria Collins, Director of University Relations, and Mr. Kevin Smith, Director of Alumni Affairs and Development, who provided the Board with an update on the University's Capital Campaign.

Ms. Collins outlined the campaign directions and provided the Board with an overview of the campaign objectives to raise \$50 million to support academic endowment and to improve services for students which would include construction of a University Centre. Mr. Smith outlined the campaign timetable which would be spread out in four phases over a period of five years up to September 2000. The Board was given a status report which revealed that a student contribution of \$3 million was already committed and that a commitment from government to match \$25 million was secured.

Before leaving the meeting, Ms. Collins and Mr. Smith answered questions related to the campaign, and the Chair thanked them for their informative presentation.

The President then suggested that individual Board members might take some time to think about what they might be prepared to donate to the campaign. The proposal for the capital objectives of the campaign would be presented more formally at the January

meeting and it was suggested that this would also be referred to the Campus Planning and Development Committee prior to the January meeting for their consideration.

4. MEETINGS OF COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD

1. FINANCE

A draft of the minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on Thursday, November 9 1995, copies of which were circulated at the meeting, were presented by the Chair of the Committee, Mr. Gerry Bishop, and accepted by the Board. The following resolutions were passed with respect to the items requiring specific approval of the Board:

ITEM A – DELETION OF POSITIONS

RESOLVED:

That the Board of Regents grants approval to the deletion of the following positions:

Botanical Garden
MBG-002 Technical Coordinator MS 34

Biochemistry
BCH-009 Research Assistant III MS 42

Division of Continuing Studies
DCS-004 Regional Officer Band 12 MPS
DCS-008 Secretary MS 11
Earth Sciences
ESC-026 Laboratory Manager MPS 17

Faculty of Medicine
MED-055 Medical Technologist I MS 32
MED-065 Immunology Technologist II MS 36
MED-118 Intermediate Clerk Stenographer MS 09
MED-181 Immunology Technologist I MS 32
MED-186 Immunology Technologist I MS 32

Technical Services

THS-047 Craftsman I MS 32

TEM B – CSU GRENFELL COLLEGE STUDENT LOAN FUND

RESOLVED:

That the Board of Regents grants approval to the establishment of the CSU Grenfell College Student Loan Fund and the proposed guidelines for administering the emergency short-term loan program.

ITEM C – HARLOW CAMPUS – PENSIONS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

RESOLVED:

That the Board of Regents grants approval to a recommendation that the administrative staff of the Harlow Campus Trust, whose basic hours are 20 or more per week, be eligible for a pension scheme to be arranged through a private insurance company.

ITEM D – DELIVERY OF M.S.W. PROGRAM TO P.E.I.

RESOLVED:

That the Board of Regents grants approval to the proposal to deliver Memorial University's Master of Social Work program to Prince Edward Island, along with the proposed fee structure, on the understanding that the program will only be started if a sufficient number of students enrol to ensure the program is at least cost neutral and that there will be an annual reporting of the progress of the program.

ITEM E – CUPE NEGOTIATIONS PROPOSAL

RESOLVED:

That the Board of Regents endorses the final proposal made by the University to CUPE Local 1615.

2. PENSIONS

A Summary of Business Transacted at the Pensions Committee meeting held on November 9, 1995, copies of which were circulated at the meeting, was presented by Mr. Raymond Rose, and accepted by the Board. There were no items requiring specific approval of the Board.

3. EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

A Summary of Business Transacted at the Employee Benefits Committee meeting held on November 8, 1995, copies of which were circulated at the meeting, was presented by the Chair of the Committee, Ms. Grace Stapleton, and accepted by the Board. There were no items requiring specific approval of the Board.

4. APPOINTMENTS

The Minutes of the Appointments Committee meeting held on November 9, 1995, copies of which were circulated at the meeting, were presented by the Chair of the Committee, Ms. Grace Stapleton, and accepted by the Board.

5. DEPARTMENT NAME CHANGE – PHYSICS

On the recommendation of the President, the following resolution was passed:

RESOLVED:

That the Board of Regents grants approval to change the name of the Department of Physics to the Department of Physics and Physical Oceanography.

6. PRESIDENT'S BUSINESS

1. COLLECTIVE BARGAINING UPDATE

The President expressed grave concerns with respect to the approach taken by MUNFA in an effort to divert media attention away from the real issues to be dealt with in the collective bargaining process. Following discussion, the President was advised to inform the media of the major issues involved in negotiations

with the union and to appeal to the general MUNFA membership to resume negotiations.

2. ARTICLE BY PRESIDENT OF CARLETON UNIVERSITY

Circulated for information were copies of an article entitled "The University President as Manager" written by Dr. Robin Farquhar, President of Carleton University.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.