MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY OF NEWFOUNDLAND

BOARD OF REGENTS

The regular meeting of the Board of Regents was held on Thursday, July 19, 2007, in the Board Room of the University (Room A-2029) at 2:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Mr. Gil Dalton, Chair
Dr. John Crosbie, Chancellor
Dr. Axel Meisen, President and Vice-Chancellor
Dr. Eddy Campbell, Vice-President (Academic)
Ms. Gaylene Buckle
Ms. Ruth Canning
Ms. Pat Coish-Snow
Mr. Steven Cranford
Ms. Deanne Fleet
Mr. Martin Gould
Mr. Jim Igloliorte
Ms. Jeannette Lundrigan
Mr. Earl Ludlow
Mr. Douglas Moores
Ms. Meghan Mitchell
Dr. Vinod Patel
Mr. Tony Roche
Ms. Rosellen Sullivan
Ms. Eleanor Swanson
Ms. Sherina Wall
Ms. Eleanor Bennett, Secretary

APOLOGIES: Ms. Mary Broderick, Mr. Brian Dalton, Dr. Wynanne Downer, Mr. Jim Keating, Ms. Judy White, and Mr. Stephen Winsor.

PRESENT BY INVITATION: Mr. Kent Decker, Vice-President (Administration and Finance) and Dr. Chris Loomis, Vice-President (Research).

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Mr. Dalton, Chair of the Board.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda for the meeting was approved, as amended.
3. **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Regents held on May 22, 2007, a copy of which was circulated, were approved by the Board.

4. **UNIVERSITY GOVERNANCE**

The Board received and reviewed background information on the matter of Sir Wilfred Grenfell College/University Governance/Kelly-Davies Report.

The Board was reminded that at its May 22, 2007 meeting, it reached a consensus that proposed Option 1 (a) of the Davies-Kelly Report was unworkable and directed the University administration to develop, by July 12th, detailed analysis of the pros and cons of the following options for internal consideration at the July 19th Board meeting:

1. One University with campuses in St. John’s and Corner Brook based on principles in Option 1 (b) of the Davies/Kelly Review with the possibility of two Senates, if necessary.

2. Two independent universities, one in St. John’s and one in Corner Brook, within one provincial university system

Mr. Dalton reported that a meeting of the Executive Committee was convened on July 13th to review documents and draft a resolution for consideration by the Board at its meeting of July 19th.

Included in the background material was a memorandum to the Chair of the Board from the President, dated July 16, 2007, in which he provided a summary of the key considerations and suggested a way forward so that the issue of university governance could be resolved with dispatch. Dr. Meisen reviewed these documents with the Board which were summarized under the following headings:

1. Governance Context

2. Option 1 (b) in the Davies-Kelly Report

3. Option 1 (a) in the Davies-Kelly Report

4. The Way Forward

A lengthy discussion ensued after which the Board reiterated its preference for one university for the province with campuses in St. John’s and Corner Brook, with increased autonomy for Sir Wilfred Grenfell College (as earlier stated by the Board).

The Board concluded that two separate universities governed by one Board of Regents,
and as outlined in the Davies-Kelly Report, is not workable. It acknowledged that the
decision of there being one or more universities in the province rests with government.
Should government choose to create a second university in the province, additional
work and analysis would need to be undertaken to address the impact on students,
especially their ability to transfer credits between universities, the financial costs
involved, the required legislative changes, and the duplication of services. This
additional work and analysis should be concluded by the end of 2007.

Mr. Crosbie tabled a draft press release on the issue for the information of the Board.

After a due deliberation the following resolution was passed:

**WHEREAS** the Board of Regents is responsible for the governance of
Memorial University of Newfoundland for the benefit of all
Newfoundlanders and Labradors throughout the Province;

**AND WHEREAS** the Board of Regents regards governance and its
autonomy to be of critical importance to the success of the University;

**AND WHEREAS** the Board of Regents has devoted considerable effort
and time over the past two years to governance and other issues
specifically related to Sir Wilfred Grenfell College;

**AND WHEREAS** the Board of Regents reaffirms the consensus as
conveyed to Government in May 2006 that one university, with principal
campuses in St. John’s and Corner Brook, with increased autonomy to Sir
Wilfred Grenfell College was the appropriate form of governance to
ensure success of the University and its students;

**AND WHEREAS** the Board of Regents has expressed its dissatisfaction
to the Minister of Education regarding the Government’s failure to consult
with the Board of Regents before the public release of the Davies-Kelly
report;

**AND WHEREAS** the Board of Regents has concluded that Option 1 (a)
as presented in the Davies-Kelly report is not workable;

**AND WHEREAS** the Board of Regents is of the view that if a second
university is created in the Province the impact on students (especially
their ability to transfer credits between universities), the cost, the
required legislative changes and the duplication of services must be
assessed;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Board of Regents convey to
Government that:
1. Option 1(a) of the Davies-Kelly Report is not workable;

2. While the Regents strongly support one university in the Province, if it is Government’s position to create a second university, there must be a determination of the impact on students (especially their ability to transfer credits between universities), the cost, the required legislative changes; the duplication of services;

3. The aforementioned determination of impacts be completed by the end of 2007.

The Board also discussed the development of a communication strategy around this matter.

5. **PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE**

Mr. Dalton advised the Board that the Committee held its first meeting on June 26, 2007. The search consultant, Ms. Libby Dybikowski, was present and outlined the process to be followed.

The following mandate of the Presidential Search Committee was approved:

   To carry out such search and evaluation procedures as to enable it to recommend to the Board of Regents the best possible candidate for appointment as President and Vice-Chancellor of Memorial University of Newfoundland in succession to Dr. Axel Meisen.

Timelines were established for future meetings and interview dates were set. The process will be a closed, confidential one and in this regard all members of the Committee were asked to sign a confidentiality agreement.

Input was sought from the general university community regarding the challenges and opportunities that should be the focus of the next President, and the qualities and characteristics of a new President. Panels of the Committee met on July 11, 2007, with Deans, Academic and Administrative Directors and Heads, Faculty, Staff, and Students on the St. John's campus, and with faculty, staff and students at Sir Wilfred Grenfell College campus. Input in writing was also sought.

A dedicated website and email address was established to provide input and disseminate information.

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for September 13th.

6. **BOARD RETREAT – SEPTEMBER 5 & 6, 2007**
The Board received and reviewed a list of past Retreat locations and themes. After consideration it was decided that the Board Retreat would be held in Marystown on September 5 and 6, 2007 and the theme would be the Capital Campaign.

7. BOARD MEETING DATES – 2008

The Board approved the following dates for Board meetings in 2008:

- Thursday, February 7th
- Thursday, March 20th
- Tuesday, May 27th (to coincide with St. John’s Spring Convocation)
- Thursday, July 17th
- Thursday, September 11th (Annual Retreat)
- Thursday, October 16th (to coincide with St. John’s Fall Convocation)
- Thursday, December 11th

8. REPEALING MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION ACT

The Board received and reviewed background information pertaining to a recommendation to repeal the *Memorial University Foundation Act*. The Board was advised that the Act was created on July 18, 1997 by an Act of the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador. The Foundation was created to be used by the Opportunity Fund to offer greater tax advantage to donors that made gifts in excess of 50% of their net income in a taxation year. Gifts to the Foundation were deductible up to 100% of net income.

The 1997 Federal Budget eliminated these tax advantages and there is consequently no longer a need for the MUN Foundation Act. Repeal of the Act is consistent with the intentions of the Government of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador.

After discussion, the following resolution was passed:

**RESOLVED:**

That the Board of Regents approves a recommendation that the Government of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador be requested to repeal the *Memorial University Foundation Act*, as there is no longer a need for the Act due to the elimination of tax advantages.

9. ANNUAL REPORT – 2006 CALENDAR YEAR INTERNAL EXIT INTERVIEWS

The Board received and reviewed the Internal Exit Interviews Annual report for the 2006 calendar year. The Board was advised that the University implemented an Exit Interview Process in 2003 to provide a means by which it could identify workplace, organizational or human resource issues. Employees, both academic and non-
academic, who are voluntarily leaving Memorial after at least twelve months of consecutive employment, are offered the opportunity to participate in a confidential exit interview conducted by Human Resources.

The Board was advised that overall the Exit Interview Report for 2006 reflected a positive view of Memorial as an employer.

10. APPOINTMENT TO MURC BOARD

The Board was advised that the term of the Memorial University of Newfoundland Students’ Union (MUNSU) representative, Mr. Roger Drinkall, to the Board of Directors of the Memorial University Recreation Complex, expired on May 31st 2007. MUNSU have nominated Mr. Nickolas Eisnor to fill the vacant position.

After discussion, the following resolution was passed:

**RESOLVED:**

That the Board of Regents approves the appointment of Mr. Nickolas Eisnor as the Memorial University Students' Union representative to the Board of Directors of the Memorial University Recreation Complex, for a one-year term, commencing July 19, 2007.

11. FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

The Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on July 19, 2007 were presented by Ms. Coish-Snow, Chair of the committee, and approved by the Board. On the recommendation of the Finance Committee, the following resolutions were passed with respect to the items requiring specific approval of the Board:

Item A – Annual Audited Financial Statements for the University and the Annual Management Report from the External Auditors

The Board received and reviewed background information pertaining to the Consolidated Financial Statements of the University, and was advised that the report of the external auditors on the annual audited financial statements of the University as at March 31, 2007 were received and reviewed by the Audit and Risk Management Committee on July 17, 2007. The external auditors found the financial statements to present fairly the financial position of the University as at March 31, 2007, the results of the operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles. There were no qualifications in the report of the external auditors.

After discussion, the following resolution was passed:
RESOLVED:

That the Board of Regents approves the Memorial University Audited Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2007.

Item B – Memorial University Pension Plan Audited Financial Statements for the Fiscal year Ended March 31, 2007

The Board received and reviewed background information pertaining to the Memorial University Pension Plan Audited Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2007 and was advised that the external auditors found the financial statements to present fairly the net assets available for benefits of the Memorial University Pension Plan as at March 31, 2007, and the changes in net assets available for benefits for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles. There were no qualifications in the report of the external auditors.

After discussion, the following resolution was passed:

RESOLVED:

That the Board of Regents approves the Memorial University Pension Plan audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2007.

Item C – Amendment to “Statement of Investment Policy and Objectives” Memorial University Pension Plan

The Board received and reviewed background information pertaining to an amendment to the "Statement of Investment Policy and Objectives" (SIPO) Memorial University Pension Plan.

The Board was advised that there are no cost implications for the University relative to this change and that the University administration supports the recommendation of the University Pensions Committee.

After discussion and on the recommendation of the University Pensions Committee, the following resolution was passed:

RESOLVED:

That the Board of Regents approves a recommendation that the policy asset mix contained in the Statement of Investment Policy and Objectives for the Memorial University Pension Fund be amended to include investment in real estate and mortgages, as recommended by Eckler Limited. Further, the Board approved a recommendation that the addition of the real estate and mortgage asset classes be phased in over
Item D – Statement of Investment Policy and Objectives for Trust and Endowment Funds

The Board received and reviewed background information pertaining to the Statement of Investment Policy and Objectives for Trust Endowment Funds.

The Board was advised that the Investment Committee, at its meeting on June 21, 2007, reviewed and approved the Statement of Investment Policy and Objectives.

After discussion, the following resolution was passed:

RESOLVED:

That the Board of Regents approves the Statement of Investment Policy and Objectives for Trust and Endowment Funds.

Item E – Funding of White Paper Proposals

The Board received and reviewed a report of the "Memorial University White Paper Initiatives: Evaluation of Resource Requests". The Board was reminded that at its meeting on February 1, 2007, it was presented with the University’s actions on the recommendations contained in the White Paper on Post-Secondary Education, and it directed the Administration to recommend proposals to be funded and submitted to Government.

After discussion, the following resolution was passed:

RESOLVED:

That the Board of Regents approves a recommendation that the resource request proposal for White Paper funding be forwarded to Government for funding approval.

Item F – GSU – Health and Dental Insurance Plan Fees

The Board received and reviewed background information pertaining to Graduate Students' Union (GSU) health and dental insurance plan fees. The Board was advised that in October 2004, following a referendum conducted by the GSU, the Board of Regents gave permission to the GSU Board of Directors to revise premiums on an annual basis to a maximum increase of the rate of inflation as measured by industry standards.

After discussion, the following resolution was passed:
RESOLVED:

That the Board of Regents approve an increase in the Graduate Student Union health and dental insurance plans for full-time students effective September 1, 2007, as follows:

a. Increase the premium rate of drug and health insurance coverage for single students from $479.31 to $553.95 per year ($5.00 Administrative Fee included).

b. Increase the premium rate of drug and health insurance coverage for couples from $923.93 to $1,068.85 per year ($5.00 Administrative Fee included).

c. Increase the premium rate of drug and health insurance coverage for married students from $923.93 to $1,068.85 per year ($5.00 Administrative Fee included).

d. Decrease the premium rate of dental coverage for single students from $200.58 to $196.67 per year ($5.00 Administrative Fee included).

e. Decrease the premium rate of dental coverage for couples from $396.12 to $388.30 per year ($5.00 Administrative Fee included).

f. Decrease the premium rate of dental coverage for families from $495.32 to $485.51 per year ($5.00 Administrative Fee included).

Item G – Amendment to the University’s Rates of Pay for Student Employees

The Board received and reviewed background information pertaining to an amendment to the University's rates of pay for student employees.

The incremental costs associated with these increases total approximately $13,000 for the 2007/2008 fiscal year and $52,000 for the 2008/2009 fiscal year. The number of student employment hours in each Department will be reduced to accommodate this hourly rate increase for the year 2007/2008. Additional funds required for 2008/2009 will be included in the University’s budget request to the provincial government.

After discussion, the following resolution was passed:

RESOLVED:

That the Board of Regents approves an increase to the University Hourly Pay Rates for Student Employees as outlined:
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<th>Current</th>
<th>Oct 1/07</th>
<th>Apr 1/08</th>
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<td>Students employed in academically related or non-academic capacities in an academic semester or off semester (entry level)</td>
<td>$7.50</td>
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<td>Students employed as Lab Demonstrators, Markers, IT Consultants, Student Supervisors, Terminal Assistants, Writing Centre Tutors (advanced level)</td>
<td>$9.50</td>
<td>$10.00</td>
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<td>MUCEP Students</td>
<td>$7.50</td>
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**Item H – Student Work Term Employment Rates**

The Board received and reviewed background information pertaining to student work term employment rates. The Board was advised that the Technical Computer Programming Co-op Program of the College of the North Atlantic requires the completion of paid work experiences by its students. Until recently, the work terms were unpaid. The university has provided placements for these students in the past and would like to continue to do so. It is desirable to implement the same pay rates as the College of the North Atlantic. The recommended pay rates are also consistent with the rates paid by the provincial government. The cost of providing placements will be accommodated within the budgets of the hiring units.

After discussion, the following resolution was passed:

**RESOLVED:**

That the Board of Regents approves the following pay rates for students in the Technical Computer Programming Co-op Program at the College of the North Atlantic:

- Work Term I: $1,441 per month
- Work Term II: $1,543 per month
- Work Term III: $1,628 per month

**Item I – Human Resources Matters**

The Board received and reviewed background information pertaining to the deletion and establishment of positions. After discussion, the following resolutions were passed:
RESOLVED:

That the Board of Regents approves a recommendation that the following position in the Department of Earth Sciences be declared redundant:

ESC-001 - Intermediate Secretary

RESOLVED:

That the Board of Regents approves the establishment of the following permanent staff position in the Office of the Vice-President (Administration and Finance):

VPA-008 - Privacy and Access Coordinator

RESOLVED:

That the Board of Regents approves the establishment of the following permanent staff position in the Department of Physics and Physical Oceanography:

PHS-026 - Academic Program Officer

Item J - Creation of the Position of Head of the Department of Women’s Studies

The Board was reminded that at its meeting on May 22, 2007, it approved a recommendation from Senate that departmental status be accorded to the academic unit responsible for delivering programs in the field of Women’s Studies. The Faculty of Arts proposed the creation of the position of Head of this new department. In accordance with the policy established by the Board for administrative stipends paid to department heads, this position will carry an administrative stipend of $3,000 per annum. The Board was advised that provision has been made in the operating budget of the Faculty of Arts to absorb the stipend cost.

After discussion, the following resolution was passed:

RESOLVED:

That the Board of Regents establish the position of Head of the Department of Women’s Studies in the Faculty of Arts, at an administrative stipend of $3,000 per annum.

12. AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

A verbal report of the Audit and Risk Management Committee meeting held on July 17,
2007 was presented by Mr. Moores, Chair of the Committee.

The following resolutions were passed with respect to the items which required specific approval of the Board:

1. **Report of the External Auditors for 2007**

The Board received and reviewed background information pertaining to the Report of the External Auditors for 2007. The Board was advised that Deloitte & Touche LLP, have audited the consolidated financial statements of Memorial University of Newfoundland. The scope and manner of the audit is outlined in the 2007 Audit Service Plan, which was approved by the Board of Regents on March 22, 2007.

After discussion, the following resolution was passed:

**RESOLVED:**

That the Board of Regents receives the Report to the Audit and Risk Management Committee - Results of the 2007 Audit.

2. **Internal Audit Reports**

The Board was advised that a number of audits are outstanding and are underway. This item did not require Board approval and was for information only.

13. **CAMPUS PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING**

The Minutes of the Campus Planning and Development Committee meeting were presented by Ms. Canning, Vice-Chair of the Committee, and accepted by the Board. The following resolutions were passed with respect to the items which required specific approval of the Board:

1. **Update on Capital Projects**

The Board received and reviewed a summary report of capital projects which are underway or being planned

2. **Deferred Maintenance Program**

The Board received and reviewed background information pertaining to the Deferred Maintenance Program and was advised that this is the fifth year of a five-year deferred maintenance plan that was developed in 2002 and commenced in 2003. The original five-year plan identified $28M of deferred maintenance programs that were considered urgent. The university has received $20M over the five years compared to the $28M requested in the plan.
The following table provides comparison, by building system category, of the original $28M plan versus the actual and planned expenditures for the $20M received:

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<th>Category</th>
<th>Original $28 M Plan</th>
<th>Actual Expenditures ($20M)</th>
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<td>Architectural/Civil (includes environmental, structural/building envelope, grounds work, and roofing projects)</td>
<td>17898</td>
<td>13365</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mechanical Infrastructure Systems</td>
<td>2900</td>
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<td>Electrical Infrastructure Systems</td>
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<td>1695</td>
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<td>Life Safety and Fire Safety/Protection</td>
<td>450</td>
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<td><strong>Totals</strong></td>
<td>28000</td>
<td>21240</td>
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Note: Amount consists of $20M received from government and $1,240M recovered from Eastern Health for projects that they cost shared with the University.

The Board was advised that in preparation for the 2008-09 budget submission to the Provincial Government, a new five-year plan will be prepared for the Board’s consideration at its October meeting.

3. Selection of Consultants for the Design of Upgrading Existing Student Residences - St. John’s Campus

The Board received and reviewed background information pertaining to this item and was advised that there are currently 1,522 beds available on the St. John’s Campus, 987 in the traditional Paton College dormitories and most of the rest in the Burton’s Pond four-bedroom apartments.

The government has supported the residence projects in the university’s infrastructure program by announcing funding for these projects commencing in the current fiscal year. As a result, the university issued a call for proposals for the engineering and architectural design for upgrading existing student residences at the St. John’s campus.

Four proposals have been received from consultants for this residence upgrade project. These proposals have been evaluated by a Selection Advisory Committee, and a summary report of their findings was received and reviewed.

After discussion, the following resolution was passed:

**RESOLVED:**
That the Board of Regents approves the selection of the firm of PHB Group Inc. as the preferred consultant for the design of upgrading existing student residences on the St. John’s campus.

4. Selection of Consultant for the Design of a New Residence on the St. John’s Campus

The Board received and reviewed background information pertaining to this item and was advised that the availability of on-campus housing to students from other parts of Canada and the world is a significant factor in the decision of where to attend university. The university’s infrastructure strategy plan proposed the construction of a new residence at the St. John’s campus as a component of the residence projects. Approximately 500 beds in a modern, apartment-style building will be located on the existing soccer field bordering the western side of Burton’s Pond.

The government has supported the residence projects in the university’s infrastructure program by announcing funding for these projects commencing in the current fiscal year. As a result, the university issued a call for proposals for the engineering and architectural design for a new residence at the St. John’s campus.

Four proposals have been received from consultants for the design of this new residence. These proposals have been evaluated by a Selection Advisory Committee and a summary report of their findings was received and reviewed.

After discussion, the following resolution was passed:

RESOLVED:

That the Board of Regents approves the selection of the firm of John Hearn Architect Inc. as the preferred consultant for the design of a new residences on the St. John’s campus.

5. Selection of Consultant for the design of new residences at Sir Wilfred Grenfell College (SWGC)

The Board received and reviewed background information pertaining to this item and was advised that the existing student residences at SWGC have been operating at capacity for many years, primarily on the basis of domestic (i.e., Newfoundland and Labrador student) demand.

The government has supported the residence projects in the university’s infrastructure program by announcing funding for these projects commencing in the current fiscal year. As a result, the university issued a call for proposals for the engineering and architectural design for new residences at SWGC.

Seven proposals have been received from consultants for the design of new residences
at SWGC. These proposals have been evaluated by a Selection Advisory Committee, and a summary report of their findings was received and reviewed. It was noted that of the seven proposals, two were deemed to be lacking in significant detail and were therefore not included in the summary report.

After discussion, the following resolution was passed:

**RESOLVED:**

That the Board of Regents approves the selection of the firm of Ron Fougere Associates Ltd. as the preferred consultant for the design of new residences at Sir Wilfred Grenfell College.

14. **LABOUR RELATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING**

The President provided a verbal report of the Labour Relations Committee meeting held on July 19, 2007.

He provided background information pertaining to the following items:

1. MUNFA negotiations
2. LUMUN
3. TAMUN

15. **APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE MEETING**

The Board received and reviewed a report of action taken by the Appointments Committee at meetings held on June 21, 2007 and July 19, 2007, which were presented by Ms. Lundrigan, Acting Chair of the Committee, and approved by the Board.

The following resolutions were passed with respect to the recommendations requiring specific approval of the Board:

**RESOLVED:**

That the Board of Regents approves the reappointment of Dr. Alice Collins as Dean of the Faculty of Education for the period commencing July 1, 2007 and ending June 30, 2008; the reappointment of Dr. Gary Gorman as Dean of the Faculty of Business Administration, for the period commencing August 1, 2007 and ending July 31, 2009.
That the Board of Regents approves the appointment of Dr. Katherine Side as Head of the Department of Women's Studies for the period commencing July 1, 2007 and ending June 30, 2010.

RESOLVED:

That the Board of Regents approves the appointment of Dr. Mark Abrahams as Professor, with tenure, in either the Ocean Sciences Centre or the Department of Biology, effective February 4, 2008 and Dean of the Faculty of Science for the period commencing February 4, 2008 and ending August 31, 2013.

RESOLVED:

That the Board of Regents approves the appointment of Ms. Lorraine Busby as Librarian IV, with tenure, in the Queen Elizabeth II Library, effective November 1, 2007 and University Librarian for the period commencing November 1, 2007 and ending August 31, 2012.

16. SEPARATELY INCORPORATED ENTITIES COMMITTEE MEETING

A verbal report of the Separately Incorporated Entities Committee meeting held on July 19, 2007 was presented by Ms. Canning, Chair of the Committee.

The following resolutions were passed with respect to the items which required specific approval of the Board:

1. Management Agreement between Memorial University and C-CORE

The Board received and reviewed background information pertaining the Management Agreement between the University and C-CORE. The Board was advised that C-CORE, formed in 1975, has a mandate to work closely with industry to provide unique and timely engineering solutions to meet the needs of the resource industries. The University provides various supports in kind to C-CORE through infrastructure and services.

The Management Agreement is intended to update and supersede a 1993 Memorandum of Understanding between the University and C-CORE. The Agreement is consistent with the principles established for the management of all SIE’s except where impacted by the unique organizational structure of C-CORE. In particular, the By-Laws of C-CORE do not provide that the President of the University be the sole voting Member of C-CORE as the President is with other SIE’s. The By-Laws do provide that the Board of Directors shall be appointed by the President but is constrained by specific terms that dictate the parameters for the appointments.
After discussion, the following resolution was passed:

**RESOLVED:**

That the Board of Regents approves the management agreement between Memorial University of Newfoundland and C-CORE and authorizes the appropriate officials of the University to sign the document on its behalf.

2. Management Agreement between Memorial University and Western Sports and Entertainment Inc. (WSE) “The Pepsi Centre”

The Board received and reviewed background information pertaining to this item and was advised that the University leased the assets known as “The Pepsi Centre” from the City of Corner Brook (the City). In accordance with an agreement with the City, the University created an SIE to manage the assets. The University and WSE have now completed an Agreement to provide for the management of the leased assets. A copy of the Management Agreement was received and reviewed.

The Agreement is consistent with the principles established for the management of all SIE’s.

After discussion, the following resolution was passed:

**RESOLVED:**

That the Board of Regents approves the Management Agreement between Memorial University of Newfoundland and Western Sports and Entertainment Inc. (WSE) "The Pepsi Centre" and authorizes the appropriate officials of the University to sign the document on its behalf.

3. Changes to the Bylaws for the Memorial University Recreation Complex Inc. (MURC)

The Board received and reviewed background information pertaining to this item, which was presented for information and did not require a resolution of the Board.

17. **SENATE**

The Board received a report of items of business considered by Senate at its regular meetings held on May 8, 2007 and June 12, 2007. Approval was given to the following items requiring Board approval under Section 56(h) (course of study) and 56(s) (making or altering a rule or regulation) of the Act:

May 8, 2007 Meeting:
Item 108 Report of the Academic Council of the School of Graduate Studies (No. 108.1 to 108.4)

Item 110 Report of the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies (No. 110.1)

Policy on the Standards of Behaviour in Memorial University Libraries:

On the recommendation of Senate the following resolution was passed:

**RESOLVED:**

That the Board of Regents approves the Policy on the Standards of Behaviour in Memorial University Libraries.

June 12, 2007 Meeting:

There were no items requiring specific approval of the Board.

18. **OTHER BUSINESS**

1. **Condolences**

The Board conveyed condolences to the families of the late Dr. Ian Rusted, former Vice-President (Health Sciences and Professional Schools), Dr. Gar Pynn, former Director of the P.J. Gardiner Institute for Small Business, and Dr Iain Bruce, former Dean of Arts.

2. **MUN(UK) Appointment**

The Board received and reviewed background information pertaining to a recommendation for an extension of the appointment of Dr. Michael Collins to the Board of Directors of MUN(UK).

The Board was reminded that at its meeting on February 1, 2007, it approved the incorporation of MUN(UK) for the purpose of operating Memorial University’s campus in Harlow, England. One of the Directors of the company, Dr. Michael Collins, Associate Vice-President (Academic) was appointed for the period April 1, 2007 to June 30, 2007. The expiry date of the appointment reflected the scheduled end date for Dr. Collins’ tenure as Associate Vice-President (Academic).

Dr. Collins’ appointment as Associate Vice-President (Academic) was extended to December 31, 2007 or until the search for a successor has been concluded at the Board’s meeting on May 22, 2007.
After discussion, the following resolution was passed:

**RESOLVED:**

That the Board of Regents approves an extension of the appointment of Dr. Michael Collins, Associate Vice-President (Academic), to the Board of Directors of MUN(UK) to December 31, 2007, or until such time as his successor assumes the position of Associate Vice-President (Academic)

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.