

MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY OF NEWFOUNDLAND
SENATE

The special meeting of Senate was held on November 17, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. in Room E5004, Education Building.

41. PRESENT

Dr. R. Gosine (Acting Chair), Dr. A. Foster (on behalf of Dr. M. Abrahams), Mr. G. Blackwood, Dr. A. Card, Mr. G. Collins, Dr. D. Foster, Dr. N. Golfman, Dr. T. Gordon, Dr. L. Hensman, Dr. J. Quaicoe, Dean J. Rourke, Dr. N. Roy, Dr. R. Adamec, Dr. F. Balisch, Professor M. Beaton, Dr. J. Brunton, Dr. J.J. Connor, Dr. J. Connor, Dr. S. Ghazala, Dr. G. George, Dr. G. Jenner, Dr. S. Kocabiyik, Professor V. Kuester, Dr. P. Marino, Dr. R. McGowan, Dr. D. McKay, Dr. K. Mearow, Dr. A. Muhammad, Dr. D. Peters, Mr. B. Riggs, Professor G. Riser, Mr. R. Roche, Professor W. Schipper, Dr. C. Sharpe, Professor D. Walsh, Dr. P. Wang, Dr. E. Warkentin, Dr. J. Wyse, Mr. S. Despres, Ms. C. Jalbert, Mr. A. Raman, Mr. C. Campbell, Mr. T. Collins, Mr. R. Marshall, Ms. H. Morris, Mr. B. Russell, Ms. R. Winsor.

Attending by teleconference at Sir Wilfred Grenfell College: Dr. I. Emke (on behalf of Dr. H. Pike), Dr. S. Abhyankar, Professor D. Carroll, Dr. P. Wilson, Mr. B. Evoy, Mr. T. Randell.

The following members of the Presidential Search Committee attended by invitation: Mr. Robert Simmonds (Chair of the Board of Regents and Chair of the Search Committee), Ms. Jennifer Guy, Mr. Jim Keating, Professor Shane O’Dea, Ms. Kimberley Keats, Ms. Ann Marie Vaughan, Mr. Steve Belanger and Ms. Tina Pardy. The following members of Senate who also served on the Search Committee were in attendance: Dr. D. McKay, Mr. C. Campbell and Mr. Glenn Collins.

42. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from The President Pro Tempore, Dr. R. Tremblay, Ms. K. Kennedy, Dr. J. McFetridge-Durdle, Professor E. Oliver, Dr. A. Fiech, Mr. D. Haynes, Dr. D. Kimberley, Dr. C. Kovacs, Dr. A. Rose.

43. REPORT OF THE PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH COMMITTEE

Dr. Gosine welcomed Senators including those attending by teleconference from Sir Wilfred Grenfell College. He advised that since the agenda concerned matters of a confidential nature, that this was a closed session and he asked any observers to leave the room.

Dr. Gosine advised that the Secretary of Senate had been informed by Ms. Pardy, Secretary to the Board of Regents, on November 16, 2009, that the Presidential Search Committee intends to submit a report to the Board of Regents at a meeting of the Board scheduled for today, November 17, 2009, at 4:30 p.m. as per the provisions of the MUN Act, Section 51 which state:

“There shall be a president of the university who shall be appointed by the board in consultation with the senate and with the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.”

Report of the Presidential Search Committee (cont'd)

Ms. Pardy also noted that the Chairman of the Board of Regents and of the Presidential Search Committee, Mr. Robert E. Simmonds, requested that a meeting of the Senate be scheduled for November 17, 2009, at 4:00 p.m. in order for him to present the report of the Presidential Search Committee to Senate.

At the invitation of Dr. Gosine, Mr. Simmonds presented the report of the Presidential Search Committee, a copy of which is appended to these Minutes. Mr. Simmonds elaborated on the search process, emphasizing that the recommendation that Dr. Gary Kachanoski be appointed as President and Vice-Chancellor, effective July 1, 2010, was made strongly and unanimously by the Presidential Search Committee.

It was then moved by Dr. McKay, seconded by Mr. Collins and carried that the Senate endorse the Search Committee's recommendation that Dr. Gary Kachanoski be appointed as the new President and Vice-Chancellor of Memorial University.

Mr. Simmonds then thanked Senate and asked that confidentiality be preserved until the approval process is complete and the public announcement is made.

Dr. Gosine thanked Mr. Simmonds and members of the Presidential Search Committee. He invited Senators to a reception on Wednesday, November 18, 2009, at 5:00 p.m. at the Senior Common Room to meet Dr. Kachanoski.

44. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

CHAIRMAN

SECRETARY