

Item: Board of Governors Minutes, September 1981

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Minutes of a Meeting of the
Board of Governors held on
September 24, 1981, in the
Board and Senate Room at
4:00 p.m.

Dalhousie University
Halifax, Nova Scotia
September 24, 1981

PRESENT: Dr. A. Gordon Archibald,
 Chairman
Sister Elizabeth Bellefontaine
Mr. James S. Cowan
Dr. Donna Curry
Dr. Douglas A. Eisner
Mr. John W. Graham
Mrs. Lorraine Green
Ms. Mary L. C. Lamb
Miss Zilpha Linkletter,
 Vice-Chairman

Mr. John Logan
Ms. Marilyn MacDonald
Mr. Peter McDonough
Mr. Stewart McInnes, Q.C.
Dr. W. Andrew MacKay
Mr. George C. Piercey
Mr. W. Struan Robertson,
 Honorary Treasurer
Edwin F. Ross, M.D.
 Honorary Secretary
Mr. Geoffrey M. Seymour
Dr. W. D. Stanish

Also present at the meeting were Dr. G. A. Klassen
(Vice-President, Academic & Research), Mr. L. R. Shaw
(Vice-President, Administration & Finance), Dr. D. M.
Cameron (Executive Director of Policy & Planning),
Mr. Derek Mann (Director of Information), Mr. C. W.
Hayward (Financial Consultant), Dr. A. M. Sinclair
(Chairman of the Senate), Mr. M. Roughneen (Director
of Personnel), Mr. Glen R. George (Director of Insurance
and Employee Benefits), Dr. A. J. Tingley, Secretary.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of May 28, 1981 were approved.
Approval of the minutes of the meeting of July 9, 1981,
which had not been previously circulated, was deferred.

Appointments
to Board of
Governors

The President read the names of those who have been
appointed or re-appointed to the Board of Governors by
the Governor-in-Council and also by Mount Saint Vincent
University.

Dalhousie
Representatives
to the Mount
Saint Vincent
Board

The President placed in nomination the names of certain
persons who might be appointed to the Board of Governors
of Mount Saint Vincent University.

Membership
on Board
Committees

It was agreed that he could approach these individuals
to inquire as to their willingness to serve.

It was agreed that the President would approach members
to determine their willingness to serve on certain
Committees, and report to the Board at the next meeting.
Membership on the Committees will stay as at present
until this has been done.

Schedule of
Meetings

A proposed schedule had been circulated to members. The
President said that if it is determined that some members
of the Board can never attend because of the schedule,
some changes may prove to be desirable.

Staff Relations
Committee

Ms. M. D. MacDonald reported for this Committee. A document showing the staff changes was circulated at the meeting, and a copy is attached to the minutes in the official file. The President drew attention to certain appointments considered to be of particular interest and significance, and advised of an additional appointment which should be added to the list. The report was then approved.

Investment
Committee

A report showing investment changes was circulated at the meeting, and is attached to the minutes in the official file. The various transactions were ratified.

Building and
Grounds
Committee

Mr. Robbie Shaw reported for this Committee, as follows:

- 1) The Provincial Government has agreed to fund the renovation of the Forrest Building to the extent of eighty percent of the cost.
- 2) Renovation of the Old Archives Building has not been approved by Government, but has not been disapproved. Further consideration may be given to this.
- 3) The Committee recommends that a firm be retained to do a study on space, first to make an inventory of existing space, second to analyze the use being made of the space, thirdly to recommend changes, and fourthly to comment on the necessity for new space.
- 4) Consideration is being given to the sale of certain properties. No final decision or recommendation has yet been made.
- 5) The construction of the rink is on schedule, but is over budget to the extent of \$150,000.00 to \$175,000.00. Most of this is due to overrun in the cost of the roof.

Questions were raised and concern expressed about the advisability of making commitments for further construction or renovations not fully funded.

It was agreed that the matter of engaging an architect with respect to the proposed renovation of the Forrest Building would be referred to the Building and Grounds Committee.

Staff Benefits
Committee

Ms. Lorraine Green reported for this Committee. The normal actuarial review of the pension fund had been completed and the report of the consultant was favourable.

Mr. M. Roughneen introduced a discussion on fringe benefit programmes, based on a document circulated previously.

The recommendations made in this document were approved.

It was agreed that the fifty percent tuition waiver which is granted to all full-time Dalhousie employees with respect to their children be extended to spouses, as is the case with members of the Dalhousie Faculty Association, this to be effective for the year 1982/83, and to be subject to review after not more than two years.

Budget and
Finance
Committee

A proposal for certain financial restructuring was distributed at the meeting. A copy of this proposal is on file with the official minutes. Miss Z. Linkletter, the President, and Mr. C. W. Hayward all spoke on this document. A letter dated September 9, 1981, addressed to the President, a copy of which is attached to these minutes, was read by Mr. Hayward.

Following discussion, the resolution recommended in this document was approved, subject to the obtaining of favourable written legal opinion.

Extension of
Leases

It was agreed that an extension of the lease to the Nova Scotia Government of a portion of the old NSCAD Building, at a somewhat increased rental, be approved.

It was also agreed to extend the lease on a small portion of the Life Sciences Building to the Wildlife Association.

Fund Raising

A document on this matter had been circulated with the agenda. Discussion on the content was led by the President.

Report of
the President

A report on current registration was presented. It was pointed out that as registration is continuing, this report is by no means final.

The President advised members of the Board that he had described the current financial situation to members of Senate, and indicated that he intends to keep the Senate continually informed.

Secretary of
the Board

It was agreed, on recommendation of the President, that A. J. Tingley be appointed as Secretary of the Board of Governors.

Lounge--
Burbidge Pharmacy
Building

It was reported that the drug firm of Balcom-Chittick has offered to finance a lounge for faculty and students in the Burbidge Building, this to be named in honour of Samuel R. Balcom, Foster S. Chittick, and J. Keith Lawton.

It was agreed to accept this offer, and that appreciation be expressed to the firm.

Trustees of
the Pension Fund

It was agreed that the following be named as Trustees of this Fund, to replace certain individuals whose services are no longer available:

Dr. A. Gordon Archibald
Dr. W. Andrew MacKay
Mr. Gordon S. Roberts
Mr. W. Struan Robertson
Mr. Donald R. C. Sobey

Resolution re:
Sale of Shares

On the recommendation of the President, a resolution concerning the sale of certain shares was approved. A copy of this resolution is attached to the official minutes.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Edwin F. Ross, M.D.,
Honorary Secretary

A. Gordon Archibald,
Chairman