

Item: Board of Governors Minutes, March 2000

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**Proposed Agenda  
Board of Governors Meeting  
March 21, 2000, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.  
Lord Dalhousie Room, A&A Building**

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1. Approval of Proposed Agenda
2. Approval of minutes of February 15, 2000 meeting (Attached)
3. Report of the Chair
4. Report of the President
5. Report of Standing Committee Chairs

Items for decision

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| 6. | Undergraduate Program in Food Science and Technology (Attachment) | Scully |
| 7. | Amendments to the Dalhousie Pension Plan (Phase IV improvements)  | Mason  |
| 8. | Interim Spending Authority  | Risley |

Item for Information

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| 9. | Fundraising opportunities:<br>»» year-to-date fundraising totals | Godsoe |
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Presentation

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| 10. | Facilities Renewal Planning Committee presentation | Cowan/Christie |
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| 11. | Report of the Nominating Committee | Cowan |
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of Governors meeting for 2000/2001.

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**Board of Governors Meeting  
Dalhousie University  
Motions to be Proposed  
March 21, 2000**

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**Be It Resolved:**

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6. THAT, based on the recommendation of the Senate, the Board of Governors approve the undergraduate program in Food Science and Technology with the condition that the Faculty of Engineering transfer to the Library a one-time amount of \$13,000, half payable at the start of the program and the balance payable at the start of the third year, and a base budget amount of \$1,000 per year.
7. THAT the Board of Governors approve that amendments P26-02.99 and P6-03.99 as recommended by the Pension Advisory Committee and accepted by the Employee Groups.
8. THAT, based on the recommendation of the Operations Committee, and in order to allow the continued operation of the University until such time as the 2000 - 2001 operating budget is given final approval, the Board of Governors authorize expenditures of up to 25% of the 1999 - 2000 approved budget for Dalhousie University. The President or his designate is authorized to approve expenditures in excess of 25% in special cases to permit the orderly management of the University.

THAT, based on the recommendation of the Nominating Committee, Mr. Allan Shaw become Chair of the Nominating Committee, and Mr. Don Mills and Ms. Cathy MacNutt be appointed as members of the Nominating Committee.



**Board of Governors Meeting  
Dalhousie University  
Tuesday, March 21, 2000  
Lord Dalhousie Room, A&A Building**

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Present were:

Mr. Allan Shaw Chair	Ms. Kelly MacKenzie
Mr. Gerald Clarke	Ms. Cathy MacNutt
Hon. Lorne Clarke	Dr. Virginia Miller
Mr. Murray Coolican	Mr. Donald Mills
Mr. James Cowan	Mr. Robert Radchuck
Vice-Chair	Mr. John Risley
Ms. Karen Cramm	Prof. Phillip Saunders
Mr. David Craig	Mr. Peter Stuart
Mr. Robert Dexter	Dr. Colin Stuttard
Ms. Patricia Harris	Mr. Bruce Towler
Dr. Lucy Ellen Canary	Mr. Shawn Tracey
Dr. Daurene Lewis	Dr. Tom Traves President

Also present were: Dr. Sam Scully (Vice-President Academic & Provost), Dr. Dale Godsoe (Vice-President External), Mr. Eric McKee (Vice-President, Student Services); Mr. Mike Roughneen (Assistant Vice-President, Personnel Services); Mr. Brian Crocker (University Secretary & Legal Counsel); Mr. Brian Christie (Executive Director, Institutional Affairs); Ms. Ann Janega (Director, Public Relations), Mr. W.H. Lord (Director, Facilities Management), Mr. Bill Straitton (Director, Capital Gifts), Ms. Charlotte Sutherland (Director, Gift Planning); Mr. Paul Christie (Manager, Maintenance, Facilities Management), Mr. Peter Murchland (Manager, External Communications); and Ms. Sharlene Drake (Secretary).

Regrets were received from: Mr. Wesley Campbell, Mr. John Flemming, Mr. Colin Latham, Ms. Ann Petley-Jones, and Dr. Alasdair Sinclair.

**1. Approval of agenda**

The agenda was approved as distributed.

**2. Approval of minutes for Board of Governors meeting - February 15, 2000**

The minutes were approved as presented.

**3. Report of the Chair**

Mr. Shaw reported that following nine years of very satisfying service on the Board of Governors, it was his intention to step down as Chair of the Board when his term expires at the end of June 2000.

**4. Report of the President**

Dr. Traves thanked Mr. Shaw for his strong and thoughtful leadership in his role as Chair of the Board and his service to Dalhousie.

Dr. Traves then reported that: a meeting had been scheduled to discuss the future use of the Halifax Infirmary Lands; Canada Foundation for Innovation funding has been extended with an additional \$900 million added to the Foundation's endowment; Dalhousie will hear in the near future of details on the Twenty-first Century Chairs; Genomics Canada had received word of funding which will be divided among five centres, one of which has been allocated to Atlantic Canada and Dalhousie will collaborate with Memorial, UNB, UPEI, and the National Research Centre on this project; the non-taxable limit on scholarships was increased from \$500 to \$3,000; the details on eligibility for funding from the Infrastructure Works Program remains outstanding; and finally, budget planning is ongoing in anticipation of the provincial budget.

**5. Report of Standing Committee Chairs**

Dr. Lewis, Chair of the Audit Committee, reported that the Atlantic Industrial Research Institute would continue to operate but as a separate entity outside the University with an agreement that the Board would not be responsible for any activities of this Institute; the Clinical Trials Atlantic Corporation has ceased operations as has the Nova Health International; the repayment schedule for the University Club will require revision due to decreased revenues; Environmental Health and Safety Committee reported that there was a significant drop in the number of days lost due to accidents; and the annual general audit plan was presented by KPMG.

Jim Cowan, Chair of the Nominating Committee, moved and Mr. Coolican seconded a motion THAT in light of Mr. Shaw's announcement of his intention to step down as Chair of the Board and on the recommendation of the Nominating Committee, Mr. Shaw be appointed Chair of the Nominating Committee, and that Mr. Mills and Ms. MacNutt be added to the Nominating Committee. Dr. Stuttard requested time to consider the nominations and the vote was therefore set aside until the April meeting. Mr. Cowan invited Members to indicate their interest to serve on any Committees.

**Items for decision**

6. Dr. Traves moved and Dr. Stuttard seconded a motion THAT, based on the recommendation of the Senate, the Board of Governors approve the undergraduate program in Food Science and Technology with the condition that the Faculty of Engineering transfer to the Library a one-time amount of \$13,000, half payable at the start of the program and the balance payable at the start of the third year, and a base budget amount of \$1,000 per year. The motion carried.

7. Following an introduction to the proposed amendments to the Dalhousie Pension Plan (Phase IV improvements) by Mike Roughneen, Ms. Harris moved and Mr. G. Clarke seconded a motion THAT the Board of Governors approve that amendments P26-02.99 and P6-03.99 as recommended by the Pension Advisory Committee and accepted by the Employee Groups. The motion carried.
  
8. Mr. Risley moved and Mr. Dexter seconded a motion THAT, based on the recommendation of the Operations Committee, and in order to allow the continued operation of the University until such time as the 2000 - 2001 operating budget is given final approval, the Board of Governors authorize expenditures of up to 25% of the 1999 - 2000 approved budget for Dalhousie University. The President or his designate is authorized to approve expenditures in excess of 25% in special cases to permit the orderly management of the University. The motion carried.

**Item for Information**

9. Dr. Godsoe provided information on ongoing progress being made in fundraising activities.

**Presentation**

**10. Facilities Renewal Planning Committee**

Mr. Cowan, Chair of the Facilities Renewal Strategy Committee, and Mr. P. Christie, Facilities Management provided a comprehensive presentation regarding facilities renewal and deferred maintenance. The costs associated with these issues were also provided.

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Murray Coolican  
Honorary Secretary

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Allan Shaw  
Chair