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Agenda
Board of Governors' Meeting
January 20, 1998, 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Lord Dalhousie Room, A&A Building

1. Approval of Agenda
2. Approval of Minutes of December 16, 1997 (enclosure)
3. Report of the Chair Shaw
4. Report of the President Traves

Items for decision

5. Inter-University Undergraduate Program in Linguistics (enclosure) Traves
6. Program proposals: B.Sc. Nursing (Arctic Nursing) & Bachelor of Management (enclosure) Traves
6. Amendment to Staff Pension Plan (enclosure) Mason
7. Approval of meeting schedule (enclosure) Shaw
8. DalTech Buildings Traves
9. Funding for the Arts & Social Sciences building (enclosure) Cowan/Risley

Items for discussion

10. BAC XIII (enclosure) Mason
11. NSCHE university funding formula (enclosure) * Traves

In Camera

12. Staff Matters (enclosure) Traves
13. BDI Traves
14. Adjournment

**Dalhousie University
Board of Governors
January 20, 1998
Motions to be Proposed**

Item # **BE IT RESOLVED:**

5. **THAT based on the recommendation of the Senate, the Interuniversity Undergraduate Program in Linguistics be approved with the following condition: that the sum of \$1,000 be transferred per year per University to the Library/ies to cover the cost of necessary library acquisitions, with Dalhousie's contribution coming from the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences.**

6. **THAT based on the recommendation of the Senate, the B.Sc. Nursing (Arctic Nursing) be approved, subject to the conclusion of an agreement with the Nunavut Arctic College that Dalhousie be reimbursed by that College for costs associated with the program.**

7. **THAT based on the recommendation of the Senate, the Bachelor of Management degree program be approved with the understanding that the previous proposal for a Bachelor of Management degree (Senate, December 9, 1996) is null and void.**

8. **Please see attachment.**

9. **THAT the Board of Governors approve the proposed schedule of meetings for the Board of Governors as presented.**

In Camera

12. **THAT the Board of Governors approve the reappointment of Dr. William A. MacInnis as Dean of the Faculty of Dentistry for a further five-year term effective July 1, 1998.**



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Minutes of the Board of Governors held on January 20, 1998 at 4:00 p.m. in Lord Dalhousie Room, A & A Building.

Present:

Mr. Allan Shaw
Chair

Dr. Tom Traves
President

Mr. Christopher Adams

Ms. Diane Bell

Mr. Gerald Clarke

Mr. James Cowan
Vice-Chair

Ms. Karen Cramm

Ms. Alexandra Dostal

Dr. Ivan Duvar

Mr. Fred Fountain

Ms. Bernadette Macdonald

Hon. Jacqueline Matheson

Ms. Marie Mullally

Ms. Ann Petley-Jones
Vice-Chair

Mr. Hugh Pierce

Ms. Patricia Roscoe

Prof. Phillip Saunders

Dr. Colin Stuttard

Mr. Peter Stuart

Also, present were: Dr. Dale Godsoe (Vice-President, Development & Alumni Affairs), Mr. Eric McKee (Vice-President, Student Services), Mr. Bryan Mason (Vice-President, Finance & Administration) Dr. Edward Rhodes (Principal, DalTech); Dr. Robert Fournier (Associate Vice-President, Research & International Relations); Dr. Ismet Ugursal (President, Dalhousie Faculty Association); Mr. W.H. Lord (Director, Facilities Management); Ms. Mary Somers (News & Information Officer), Mr. Stuart Watson (Public Relations Officer); and Ms. Sharlene Drake (Secretary).

Other guests included: Dr. Gilbert Winham (Chair, Budget Advisory Committee), Dr. Donald Cunningham (Interim Chair, Budget Advisory Committee), and Mr. Andrew Lynch (Lydon Lynch Architects Limited).

Regrets were received from: Ms. Nancy Anderson, Mr. Murray Coolican, Dr. Andrew Eisenhauer, Mr. John Flemming, Dr. Daurene Lewis, and Mr. John Risley.

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

Approval of Agenda

Board Members agreed to accept the agenda as presented with the deferral of item #13 - BDI.

Minutes of the Board of Governors Meeting of December 16, 1997

Ms. Roscoe moved and Ms. Mullally seconded a motion that the minutes of the meeting of December 16, 1997 be approved as amended. The amendments included the addition of the names of Mr. Fred Fountain and Mr. Brian Crocker to those who had been in attendance; and the addition of the word "proposed" in line 1, page 2, paragraph 5, which would now read "(1) the 'proposed' establishment of a new research centre and...". The motion carried.

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Report of the Chair

Mr. Shaw welcomed Board Members back following the Christmas break. He also welcomed the new President of the Dalhousie Faculty Association, Dr. Ismet Ugursal (Mechanical Engineering) whose appointment became effective January 1, 1998.

On behalf of the Board, Mr. Shaw passed on regrets to the family of Lorraine Green, a friend and colleague, who passed away on December 30, 1997. Lorraine first joined the Board in 1973, served as a Dalhousie representative on the Mount St. Vincent Board, served as President of the Alumni Association, and as an Officer of the Dalhousie Board from 1979 until 1981. Mrs. Green was reappointed to the Board in 1988 for a further three-year term. During this term she also served as Honorary Treasurer of the Board, chaired the Employee Benefits Committee, Staff Benefits Committee, Pension Advisory Committee, Staff Relations Committee, and served as a member of the Financial Strategy Committee, Alumni & Community Relations Committee, and Dalhousie Fund Council.

Mr. Shaw noted that the plans for the new building for the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences were on display. Board Members are encouraged to attend a public meeting has been scheduled for January 30, at 10:30 - 12:00, in the McInnes Room in the Student Union Building. Mr. Jack Diamond, of the Lydon Lynch/Diamond Schmitt team, will be in attendance for the presentation and to answer questions.

Report of the President

President Traves reported that he had recently received notification from NSERC that they had approved a submission for funding to create an Industrial Chair called the NSERC/ MARTEC/ AES Industrial Research Chairs in Regional Ocean Modelling and Prediction. Through the contributions of the three partners - MARTEC, Atmospheric Environmental Branch, and NSERC - Dalhousie will receive a grant of \$1.12 million over five years, sufficient funds to make a junior and senior chair appointment. This will significantly increase both the teaching and research activities in this area.

Dr. Traves then provided background information on the recent announcements in the press by ITI, a Halifax based educational group providing information technology training, concerning a new program being jointly launched by the University and ITI. ITI is in an expansionary mode with centres in Halifax, Moncton, Ottawa, and Toronto and has plans to expand to Calgary and Vancouver. They require individuals to teach information technology. As Dalhousie had in the past created a problem-based learning model for ITI, they approached the University once again to create an educational program to train teachers for their industrial technology program. Initially the program will be offered as a certificate program at Henson College, with talks underway which would see Dalhousie offer a Master's degree in information technology education to ITI graduates. Other program linkages are also being discussed. In addition to the revenue which would be generated from these programs, the association with ITI would give Dalhousie national exposure.

The Nova Scotia Council on Higher Education recently released a discussion paper on a new funding formula. Dalhousie, contrary to recent reports in the press, was not a 'winner' in this proposal, and in fact stands to loose funding if government accepts this recommendation. Representations are being made to the NSCHE and to government to present Dalhousie's perspective.

Interuniversity Undergraduate Program in Linguistics

Dr. Traves introduced this new program which will be sponsored by a consortium of Saint Mary's, Mount St. Vincent, and Dalhousie Universities. Dr. Traves moved and Dr. Stuttard seconded a motion THAT based on the recommendation of the Senate, the Interuniversity Undergraduate Program in Linguistics be approved with the following condition: that the sum of \$1,000 be transferred per year per university to the Library/ies to cover the cost of necessary library acquisitions, with Dalhousie's contribution coming from the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences. The motion carried.

Bachelor of Science (Nursing) (Arctic Nursing)

Dr. Traves moved and Ms. Roscoe seconded a motion THAT based on the recommendation of the Senate, the B.Sc. Nursing (Arctic Nursing) be approved, subject to the conclusion of an agreement with the Nunavut Arctic College that Dalhousie be reimbursed by that College for costs associated with the program. The motion carried.

Bachelor of Management

Dr. Traves moved and Ms. Cramm seconded a motion THAT based on the recommendation of the Senate, the Bachelor of Management degree program be approved with the understanding that the previous proposal for a Bachelor of Management degree (Senate, December 9, 1996) is null and void. The motion carried.

Amendment to the Staff Pension Plan

Mr. Mason reported that this amendment provides for an extension of one year to a staff pension plan contribution holiday. Dr. Duvar moved and Ms. Bell seconded a motion THAT the Amendment No. P52-1.97 to the Staff Pension Plan be approved. The motion carried.

Approval of Meeting Schedule

Mr. Clarke moved and Dr. Duvar seconded a motion THAT the Board of Governors approve the proposed schedule of meetings for the Board of Governors as presented. The motion carried.

DalTech Buildings

Dr. Traves reported that the DalTech Executive Committee and the Officers of the Board of Dalhousie met recently with representatives of the faculty, staff, and students from the Faculty of Computer Science. It was recommended by these groups that the new building for the Faculty of Computer Science be located on the Studley Campus. It was felt that the future of the Computer Science program is based on the interaction with other departments currently located on the Studley Campus. The Departments of Continuing Education and Industrial Engineering will be relocated to space that will be renovated for their needs on the Sexton Campus. Dr. Traves therefore moved and Mr. Cowan seconded the motions THAT suitable permanent accommodations be developed for the Department of Industrial Engineering and the DalTech Continuing Education Department as soon as it is possible to move them from their rented accommodations in the Maritime Centre; and that these accommodations should include renovated office space in the current Morroy Apartments and new classroom space (approximately 10,000 sq. ft.) linked to their new offices at one end and DalTech Building C at the other at an approximate cost of \$2 million. And THAT a new building for the Faculty of Computer Science, to replace their rented accommodations in the Maritime Centre, be constructed on University Avenue between Henry and Edward Streets at an approximate cost of \$5 million with the possible expansion of this facility if additional resources are raised by the University for this purpose. The motion carried.

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Funding for the Arts & Social Sciences Building

Mr. Cowan reported that following a review by the Operations Committee, it has become obvious that the cost of this building will be \$16 million, \$4 million more than was initially approved by the Board. However, it is necessary to build the total project at this time; therefore, Mr. Mason has developed a business plan to provide for the additional costs, should the money not be raised from external sources. The Operations Committee has reviewed the plan and are pleased to support this proposal. Mr. Cowan moved and Ms. Petley-Jones seconded a motion THAT based on the recommendation of the Operations Committee, the Board approve the \$4 million additional funding for the building in accordance with the business plan. The motion carried.

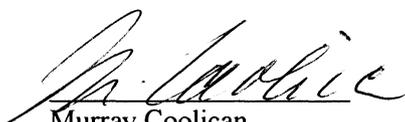
BAC XIII

Dr. Gilbert Winham, Chair of the Budget Advisory Committee and Dr. Donald Cunningham, Interim Chair of BAC were introduced by Mr. Shaw. Dr. Winham reported that as he had been on leave while this report was written, that Dr. Cunningham would provide a brief introduction. Dr. Cunningham reported that this report included three assumptions: level of government funding, tuition fee increases, and salary increases. The report was presented to the University community in December, 1997 at four meetings. The participants provided BAC with feedback on various issues - the current rate of increases in tuition fees are too high, managers want multi-year budgets, proposals for deficit budgeting including plans to deal with the deficit, use of other monies to offset the deficit (campaign funds, endowments, retirement savings). Board Members reviewed options available for the coming budget deliberations and agreed to discuss the report again when provincial grants are announced.

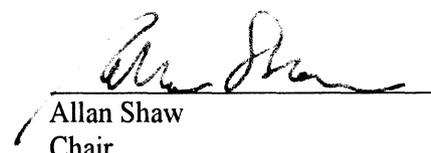
NSCHE university funding formula

This item was deferred to a future meeting due to lack of time available for discussion.

An *In Camera* session followed.



Murray Coolican
Honorary Secretary



Allan Shaw
Chair

**EXCERPT FROM DRAFT MINUTES OF THE
SAPBC DECEMBER 15, 1997, MEETING**

SAPBC97:090

Program Proposal: B.Sc. Nursing (Arctic Nursing)

Mr. Bradfield asked for clarification as to what program was being presented for approval, since it was stated that the Nunavut program was not an extension of the Dalhousie B.Sc.N program. Mr. Christie explained that the statement was not entirely accurate; the situation would be similar to the arrangement with the Nova Scotia Agricultural College whereby NSAC students completing B.Sc.(Ag) or M.Sc.(Ag) programs were awarded Dalhousie degrees.

In response to Ms. Binkley who questioned whether the proposed program would be deliverable, Mr. Christie said that under the conditions described in the proposal—six weeks of academic instruction followed by six weeks practicum at community health centres, where eventually the students would practice— the program was deliverable.

It was moved (Binkley/Bradfield)

THAT SAPBC recommend to Senate that the proposed program B.Sc. Nursing (Arctic Nursing) be approved, subject to the conclusion of an agreement with the Nunavut Arctic College that Dalhousie be reimbursed by that College for costs associated with the program.

The motion CARRIED.

**DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY
BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

Schedule of meetings for 1998 - 1999

Note: Meetings of the Board of Governors will ordinarily commence at 4:00 p.m. and will be held in Lord Dalhousie Room, Arts & Administration Building, unless otherwise advised. All meetings are open except for *In Camera* portions of the meeting. Board members will receive agenda and documents in advance of all scheduled meetings.

Tuesday, September 15, 1998

Tuesday, October 20, 1998

Tuesday, November 17, 1998

Tuesday, December 15, 1998

Tuesday, January 19, 1999

Tuesday, February 16, 1999

Tuesday, March 16, 1999

Tuesday, April 20, 1999

Tuesday, May 18, 1999

Tuesday, June 22, 1999

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Upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee of the DalTech Board and with the agreement of the Officers of the Dalhousie Board of Governors, it is moved that the DalTech Board recommend to the Dalhousie Board of Governors:

1. That suitable permanent accommodations be developed for the Department of Industrial Engineering and the DalTech Continuing Education Department as soon as it is possible to move them from their rented accommodations in the Maritime Centre; and that these accommodations should include renovated office space in the current Morroy Apartments and new classroom space (approximately 10,000 sq. Ft.) linked to their new offices at one end and DalTech Building C at the other at an approximate cost of \$2 million.
2. That a new building for the Faculty of Computer Science to replace their rented accommodations in the Maritime Centre be constructed on University Avenue between Henry and Edward Streets at an approximate cost of \$5 million with the possible expansion of this facility if additional resources are raised by the university for this purpose.