

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Governors of The University of British Columbia was held on Thursday, January 26, 1989, at 2:00 p.m. in the Social Suite of the Faculty Club.

Present: Mr. Peter Brown, Chairman
Dr. Leslie R. Peterson, Q.C., Chancellor
President David W. Strangway
Dr. Patricia Baird
Mr. Kenneth M. Bagshaw, Q.C.
Mr. Ronald H. Granholm
Mr. Arthur S. Hara
Mr. J. Geoffrey Lyster
Dr. Sidney Mindess
Mr. George McLaughlin
Mr. Robert L. Seeman

In Attendance: Nina Robinson, Secretary to the Board
Vice President D. R. Birch
Vice President A. Bruce Gellatly
Vice President Robert C. Miller, Jr.
Vice President K. D. Srivastava
Mrs. Margaret Nevin, Community Relations
Mr. Don Whitely
Miss Jo Moss
Mr. Mark Betteridge, General Manager, UBC Real Estate Corporation
Mr. Michael J. O'Keefe, Legal Counsel

Presentations re Tuition Fees:

Mr. Tim Bird, AMS
Mr. Mark Brown
Mr. Robert Beynon, GSA
Mr. Brian Goehring

A message of regret for absence was received from Mrs. Janet W. Ketcham, Mr. Robert H. Lee, Mr. Richard I. Nelson and Dr. W. Robert Wyman.

Presentations re Tuition Fees 1989-90

The Chairman of the Board welcomed Mr. Tim Bird, President, Alma Mater Society and Mr. Mark Brown, Chairman of the AMS Committee on Tuition Fee Increases, who were in attendance to make a presentation with respect to proposed tuition fee increases for 1989-90.

A report dated January 1989 to the Board of Governors from the Alma Mater Society concerning Tuition Fee Increases had been circulated in advance; and Mr. Bird circulated a written copy of his speech to members of the Board. Mr. Mark Brown presented a petition in opposition to the proposed tuition fee increases which contained over 6,000 signatures.

Messrs. Bird and Brown presented information and arguments against the proposed 10% tuition fee increase.

A brief dated January 18, 1989, on Proposed Tuition Increases from the Graduate Student Society had been circulated. Mr. Robert Beynon and Mr. Brian Goehring of the Graduate Student Society presented their arguments against certain aspects of the proposed tuition fee increases which would affect graduate students.

The Chairman of the Board thanked members of the student delegation for their thoughtful presentations. He stated that the deliberations with respect to the proposed tuition fee increases would be very difficult.

President David W. Strangway commented that the University in its draft Mission Statement had talked about the need for increased accessibility in the Province. The University was currently engaged in serious deliberations with one of the colleges in the interior and will engage in talks with other groups if asked. We have agreed to strike a task force between Cariboo College and UBC to look at the principles under which a joint agreement would be worked out by which UBC would assure activities for perhaps a ten year period, at the end of which it would be our intention that the activity would become free standing. We hope that funding will be available for these activities. The President advised that the University was taking a very aggressive and active stance to ensure accessibility to people in this province and was pleased to participate in that process.

REPORTS FROM BOARD STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance and Property Committee

Projects Status Report

The projects status report dated January 10, 1989, had been circulated and was received for information.

Mr. A. Bruce Gellatly reported that the David Lam Asian Garden project was being redesigned and it was hoped to bring a recommendation forward to the next regular meeting of the Board.

Alma Mater Society Fees

President David W. Strangway clarified, for the record, that in bringing forward the recommendation with respect to the recreation/sports facility levy that the University Administration did not concur that a dance hall or rock concert hall would be located on a site in the vicinity of the Student Union Building. The University Administration was opposed to that kind of activity on this site. The agreement between the A.M.S. and the University required mutual agreement to any plans to be brought forward to the Board for approval.

IT WAS RESOLVED

WHEREAS the Alma Mater Society through a referendum held from October 31 to November 4, 1988, approved a levy of \$30 per year per full-time student.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the University collect a recreation/sports facility levy of \$30 per year per student, starting from the 1989 Spring/Summer intersession, subject to the following provisions:

1. All facilities constructed on the campus from the referendum levy will be owned and managed by the University. All such initiatives must be consistent with the referendum ballot, and have the approval of the Alma Mater Society and the president's Office.
2. Within a total projected cost of \$9.5 million, the planned facilities are:

- a. Improvements to the McInnes Field, such as the best drainage system possible, resurfacing, night lighting, baseball screens, an improved fitness circuit and other improvements as deemed important to the users.
 - b. Modifications to the War Memorial Gymnasium to create additional office space for Alma Mater Society clubs.
 - c. A new general purpose gymnasium/recreation hall for intramural sports and recreation programs, located in the vicinity of the Student Union Building.
3. The student referendum levy contribution towards the project will be limited to five years, amounting to approximately \$3.75 million. These monies will be held in trust by the University with all investment income credited to the project.
 4. The student referendum levy collected after the first five years will be used for facilities to be constructed on the campus. All such initiatives must come from the Alma Mater Society.

Undergraduate Society Fees

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That, as recommended by the Alma Mater Society, the following undergraduate fee levies, which have met all the requirements of the A.M.S. Constitution, be and are hereby approved beginning with the Winter Session 1989-90.

- Arts - Increase from \$1.00 to \$7.00
- Architecture - Increase from \$10.00 to \$20.00
- Landscape Architecture Student Society - That they be recognized as a separate group and that they receive their portion, per student, of the Agriculture Undergraduate Society Student fees collected by the Alma Mater Society
- Science - Increase from \$5.00 to \$10.00

CARRIED

Academic Committee

Reports and Recommendations from Senate

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the recommendations from Senate arising from its meeting held on December 14, 1988, with respect to prizes, scholarships, bursaries and curriculum proposals be approved; and further that the following be and are hereby approved.

- Applied Science and Science - Chemical Engineering/Chemistry Honours Program
- Arts - Diploma in Applied Creative Non-Fiction

That the recommendations from Senate arising from its meeting held on January 18, 1989, with respect to prizes, scholarships and bursaries and curriculum proposals be approved.

In presenting the recommendations from Senate regarding the first term tuition fees due date and the Telereg fees, Mr. Bagshaw commented that the Finance and Property Committee had noted that the intended result of increasing the Telereg fee was to eliminate what have been generically described as

"bogus students" who did not register in the final analysis. After its initial implementation it was noted that the effectiveness of the program would be reviewed to determine whether it achieves the intended result.

Dr. Birch confirmed that this was an integral part of the discussion in Senate. The proposal will be implemented administratively and the impact and numbers of students who ultimately do not maintain their registration will be monitored very closely.

Mr. Robert L. Seeman added that the Finance and Property Committee had also suggested that the feasibility of applying the \$200 fee to each term's tuition i.e., \$100 each term be investigated.

That the following recommendations of Senate be and are hereby approved:

1. That the first term tuition fees due date be the first day after Labour Day for the 1989-90 academic year.
2. That the Telereg fee deposit be increased from \$100 to \$200 at a time and in a manner acceptable to the President following a review of this proposal by the staff of the Registrar's Office, Financial Services, and Information Systems Management.

CARRIED