

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Governors of The University of British Columbia was held on Monday, December 18, 1989, at 2:00 p.m. in the Board and Senate Room of the Old Administration Building.

Present: Mr. Peter Brown, Chairman
President David W. Strangway
Chancellor Leslie R. Peterson, Q.C.
Mr. Kenneth M. Bagshaw
Dr. Patricia Baird
Mr. Tim Bird
Mr. Ronald H. Granholm
Mr. Arthur Hara
Mrs. Janet Ketcham
Mr. Robert H. Lee
Dr. Sidney Mindess
Mr. George McLaughlin
Mr. Richard I. Nelson
Mr. Kurt Preinsperg
Dr. W. Robert Wyman

In Attendance: Mrs. Nina Robinson, Secretary to the Board
Vice President D. R. Birch
Vice President A. Bruce Gellatly
Vice President K. D. Srivastava
Mr. Peter Ufford, Consultant to the President
Mr. Tim Miner, Director, Campus Planning & Development
Mr. Andrew Brown, University Planner
Mr. Desmond Parker, University Architect
Mr. Malcolm Holt, Consultant
Mr. Mark Betteridge, President, UBC Real Estate Corporation
Mr. Don Whitely, Community Relations
Miss Jo Moss, Community Relations
Ms. Darlene Marzari, MLA
Dr. Tom Perry, MLA
Mr. Michael Lee, President, AMS
Members of the press and the public gallery

OPEN SESSION

Presentation from Ms. Darlene Marzari, MLA and Dr. Tom Perry MLA re Hampton Place

Ms. Darlene Marzari and Dr. Tom Perry, MLAs for Vancouver-Point Grey were in attendance to express their concerns with respect to the University's Hampton Place Housing project.

Both Ms. Marzari and Dr. Perry said that they were not opposed in principle to the university profiting from a housing development, given the right circumstances and provided the right procedures were in place.

However, they felt that the University had not responded to demands from community groups for public discussion on the development.

Following their presentation, the Chairman of the Board thanked Ms. Marzari and Dr. Perry for their very articulate advice and comments.

Informal presentation from Mr. Mike Lee, President, AMS, re tuition fees

Mr. Mike Lee, President, AMS, made a brief presentation with respect to tuition fees. He requested that a pamphlet entitled "Will I be able to go to UBC?" be circulated, and he presented to the Board a banner petition which was unrolled in the SUB Concourse, and signed by students who wished to do so, during one week in November.

REMARKS

Chairman of the Board

It was noted that Dr. Sidney Mindess had been reelected and that Mr. Dennis Pavlich had been elected as faculty representatives to the Board of Governors for a three-year period commencing February 1, 1990.

President

President David W. Strangway made reference to the very tragic shooting at the University of Montreal which left fourteen students dead and several others wounded. A copy of the President's December 7, 1989, letter to the President of the University of Montreal was circulated for the Board's information. The President indicated that there had been a number of activities on campus in connection with this tragedy. Senate has voted to send a memorial tribute, and over 800 people attended a memorial service held on campus. The issue that the University faces on this matter is serious. The President had indicated to Senate at its recent meeting that there were two activities taking place on campus with regard to this matter. The President and some of the senior members of his administration will over the next few weeks plan to meet with various groups, particularly women but not only women, with regard to safety on the campus. If there are positive steps that can be taken to improve safety, the President said that we would do so. Totally independently of this activity, the President had asked Dr. Daniel R. Birch to lead a working group to develop a proposal for a centre to study violence in society.

Dr. Birch indicated that his group is examining the potential for establishing an institute or centre on campus for the elimination of violence. The Centre would focus specifically on the violence that is endemic in society, and would look particularly at such institutions as the family, and the school, as institutions through which one might address strategies for changing attitudes and issues of violence.

The President indicated that he had established a Task Force to Develop and Recommend University Policies on Waste Recycling under the Chairmanship of Mr. A. Bruce Gellatly. The membership and suggested terms of reference of the committee were circulated for the Board's information.

It was agreed that the Chairman of the Board would send letters of congratulations to the following faculty members who had been so successful in the Centres of Excellence Program.

- Dr. Michael Smith Director Biotechnology Laboratory
- Dr. Michael Hayden Department of Medical Genetics
- Dr. Robert Hancock Department of Microbiology

The President made reference to the significant contribution made by C.U.P.E. Union Local #116 in connection with the Christmas lights installed on giant sequoia tree in front of the Main Library. In particular,

Mr. George McLaughlin spent many long hours placing thousands of light bulbs on the tree. Mr. McLaughlin stated that Mr. Nestor Korchinsky had been the driving force behind the project. It was agreed that the Chairman of the Board would send letters of thanks to Messrs. McLaughlin and Korchinsky.

The President reminded that the Board that we are in the process of signing agreements with the community colleges in Kamloops and Kelowna, and he hoped that, later in the year, the Board could plan to have a Board meeting in Kelowna or Kamloops, or both. At that time, we could participate in the formal signing of the agreements with those two campus, as well as have an opportunity for the Board to see the enthusiasm with which those communities have responded to the collaborative arrangement.

The President felt that the Board should plan to have either a half or a full day session as a Board some time in May or June 1990 to enter into a dialogue on a variety of issues with the members of the senior administration.

REPORTS FROM BOARD STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance and Property Committee

Budget Guidelines

A document dated November 28, 1989, outlining the budget guidelines for 1990-91 had been circulated and was received for information.

Financial Statements

- UBC (*Financial Information Act*) (Circulated to Board November 1, 1989)
- UBC Foundation
- Alma Mater Society
- Alumni Association
- Cedar Lodge
- Faculty Club
- Peter Wall Foundation
- Graduate Student Centre

The above-referenced financial statements had been circulated and was received for information.

Major Donations Report

Major Donations Reports for the months of September and October 1989 had been circulated and were received for information.

Fund Raising Campaign - Progress Report

Dr. W. Robert Wyman gave a brief progress report with respect to the fund raising campaign.

Projects Status Report

The Projects Status Report dated November 15, 1989, had been circulated and was received for information.

Academic and Student Affairs Committee

Reports and Recommendations from Senate (Meetings held October 11 and November 15, 1989) - Prizes, Scholarships and Bursaries

It was RESOLVED,

That, as required under Sections 36 (i) and 37 of the University Act, the listing of new awards arising from the Senate meetings of October 11 and November 15, 1989, be and are hereby approved.

CARRIED

External Reviews

A memorandum dated December 8, 1989, from Dr. Daniel R. Birch with respect to External Reviews of faculties and departments had been circulated and was received for information.

Dr. Birch indicated that a question had been raised in the Academic and Student Affairs Committee about information to members of the Board about these external reviews. Dr. Birch had agreed to take under advisement the question of what form of information might be most helpful to members of the Board.

OTHER BUSINESS

Banff School of Advanced Management - Reappointment of Dr. Fred Siller

It was RESOLVED,

That Dr. Fred Siller be and is hereby reappointed as the University representative to the Banff School of Advanced Management for the period January 1, 1990, to December 31, 1990.

CARRIED

Designation of UBC Health Sciences Week 1990

It was RESOLVED,

That, as recommended by Dr. Paul B. Robertson, Coordinator of Health Sciences, the week of October 14 to 20, 1990, is hereby designated as UBC Health Sciences Week.

CARRIED

75th Anniversary Presentation

A briefing dated December 18, 1989, on 75th Anniversary activities had been circulated and was received for information.

Dr. Leslie R. Peterson gave a brief progress report on plans for 75th anniversary celebrations.

Members of the press and the public gallery left the meeting.