

**THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA**

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Governors was held on Thursday, March 21, 1991, at 9:00 a.m. in the Board and Senate Room, of the Old Administration Building.

Present: Mr. Kenneth M. Bagshaw, Q.C., Chairman  
Dr. Leslie R. Peterson, Q.C., Chancellor  
Dr. David W. Strangway, President  
Ms. Barbara Crompton  
Mr. Ronald H. Granholm  
Dr. Arthur S. Hara  
Dr. Asa Johal  
Ms. Wendy King  
Dr. Tong Louie  
Mr. Derek Miller  
Dr. Sidney Mindess  
Mr. Richard I. Nelson  
Mr. Dennis J. Pavlich

Messages of regret for absence were received from Mr. Douglas Napier and Mr. Michael A. Partridge.

In Attendance: Mrs. Nina Robinson, Secretary to the Board  
Dr. Daniel R. Birch, Vice President Academic and Provost  
Mr. A. Bruce Gellatly, Vice President Administration & Finance  
Dr. Robert C. Miller, Jr., Vice President, Research  
Dr. K. D. Srivastava, Vice President, Academic & Student Affairs  
Mr. Tim Miner, Director, Campus Planning and Development  
Mr. Mark Betteridge, President, UBC Real Estate Corporation  
Dr. Ruth Patrick, University Librarian  
Dr. Michael Smith, Director, Biotechnology Laboratory  
Dr. Bernard Bressler, Associate Vice President, Research  
Dr. Olav Slaymaker, Head, Department of Geography  
Dr. J. W. Murray, Director, University-Industry Liaison  
Dr. Keith Brimacombe, Professor, Department of Metallurgy  
Dr. Sherrill Grace, Professor, Department of English

## OPEN SESSION

## REMARKS

ChairmanOrder in Council re Appointment  
of Mr. Michael Alan Partridge

The Board of Governors received for information a copy of Order in Council #68 appointing Mr. Michael Alan Partridge as a member of the Board of Governors with effect from January 30, 1991.

President David W. Strangway - Reappointment

At the February 7, 1991, meeting of the Board the reappointment of President David W. Strangway was formalized for a further term and a press release was issued. Following that meeting the President circulated to the Board a document entitled "On Accepting the Presidency for a Second Term." The Chairman entered, for the record, his appreciation to the President for this very thoughtful and helpful document. He felt that this was an excellent evaluation of where we have come from and where we are going.

President

The President indicated that Mrs. Margaret North, Senior Instructor, Department of Geography, would be making a presentation to the Board outlining her objections to the use of the UBC Arboretum as a building site. The President had arranged for some of the correspondence that had been received on this matter to be circulated to the Board.

Dr. Strangway indicated that his document "On Accepting the Presidency for a Second Term" had been published in UBC Reports.

Dr. Strangway made reference to the Three-Year Planning document which had been circulated to the Board Standing Committees at meetings last week. The document has now been shared with Senate, the Senate Budget Committee, and Deans, Heads and Non-Academic Directors. The President indicated that this material would be published in UBC Reports to enable the entire campus community to comment. He pointed out that Appendix I of the document was really draft #12. Draft #11 was shared with the Board last year. This is part of the continuing process that the Vice President, Academic and Provost is engaged in with Deans and Department Heads. The process is intended to be an evolving and ongoing; not fixed and inflexible.

The President indicated that there had been a controversy on some campuses with respect to an article on the gay/lesbian issue that had originally been printed by the campus newspaper at Memorial University. The article had also been published in the February 14, 1991, issue of the UBYSSSEY. It was not the President's intention to pursue this matter at this time.

The President mentioned that there would be a gala dinner on April 11, 1991, to celebrate the construction phase of the campaign projects.

The President made reference to a very pleasant function which had been hosted recently by himself and the Head Librarian. All faculty members who had published a book since January 1990 were invited. The President stated that there were 168 books published by UBC faculty members during this period and, of those, there were 162 individual authors. This meant that approximately one in ten members of faculty had published a book in 1990 which is a very amazing accomplishment.

Mrs. Margaret North - Presentation re  
Siting of First Nations House of Learning  
on site of UBC Arboretum

Mrs. North, Senior Instructor, Department of Geography, (who indicated that she represented approximately 400 faculty and staff members) outlined objections to the use of the UBC Arboretum as a building site.

She suggested, as an alternate site, the parking lot south of the Ponderosa.

The Chairman of the Board thanked Mrs. North for her thoughtful presentation.

### Finance

#### Financial Statements - Faculty Club

The audited financial statements of the Faculty Club as at June 30, 1990, had been circulated and were received for information.

It was noted that there had been a tremendous improvement in the Club's financial performance since January 1990.

**Ancillary Service Budgets 1991-92  
Parking, Health Sciences Parkade,  
Student Housing, University Rental Housing**

Proposed ancillary service budgets for 1991-92 for the above-referenced areas had been circulated.

The Chairman of the Board made reference to the policies for eligibility for University Rental Housing at the bottom of page 42, and asked if it was intended that this policy decision be brought to the Board. The President indicated that it was hoped that a system could be developed which had enough flexibility that the units could be kept full at all times without having very rigid policies. A firm policy would be brought forward if it was required.

**It was RESOLVED,**

**That the Ancillary Service Budgets for 1991-92, including any rate changes or fines included therein, for the following ancillary enterprise units, are hereby approved.**

**Parking  
Health Sciences Parkade  
Student Housing  
University Rental Housing**

**CARRIED.**

**Property**

**Ritsumeikan/UBC House Contract Award**

Documentation dated March 14, 1991, with respect to the recommendation of award of contract on Ritsumeikan/UBC House had been circulated. Dr. Tong Louie indicated that thirteen bids had been received, and that the low bid is \$1,320,000 below the pre-tender estimate.

**It was RESOLVED,**

**That the Board of Governors hereby approves awarding the construction contract for the Ritsumeikan/UBC House to Eriksdale Western Contracting Ltd. in the amount of \$4,612,036.**

**CARRIED.**

**Major Projects Status Report**

The major projects status report dated February 28, 1991, had been circulated and was received for information. Mr. A. Bruce Gellatly noted that the format

had been changed slightly in that the items with dotted coverage indicate change from the last report. The Chairman felt that this was very helpful and expressed thanks to Mr. Miner for this improvement.

Mr. Gellatly indicated that the University Apartment project, which was being managed by the UBC Real Estate Corporation, would be added to future reports.

#### Academic and Student Affairs Committee

Reports and recommendations from Senate (Meeting to be held March 20, 1991)  
Prizes, Scholarships and Bursaries  
Enrollment Quotas  
University Ombuds Office  
Faculty of Dentistry - (B.D.Sc.)  
Faculty of Graduate Studies - Sustainable Development  
Research Institute

A lengthy discussion took place with respect to the proposed University Ombuds Office. Dr. Birch indicated that, if the Board granted approval in principle to the proposal, the first action would be the establishment of a tripartite committee to prepare proposed policies and terms of reference which would then be taken to the Senate, Board and the A.M.S.

The Board agreed to approve the establishment of an Ombuds Advisory Committee (representing the Board, the Senate and the A.M.S.) to recommend initial policies and terms of reference. Once these had been developed the matter would be returned to the Board for further discussion which would include consideration of budgetary implications. (See resolution in following set).

**It was RESOLVED,**

**That the new awards listed, arising from the Senate meeting of March 20, 1991, are hereby approved.**

**That the proposal from the Faculty of Arts to limit Enrollment to 250 for the four years of the Bachelor of Music program is hereby approved.**

**That, subject, where applicable, to the proviso that none of the programs be implemented without formal reference to the President; and that the Deans and Heads concerned with new programs be asked to indicate the space requirements, if any, of such new programs, the following recommendations are hereby approved.**

**That the Board approves the establishment of an Ombuds Advisory committee (representing the Board, the Senate and**

the A.M.S.) to recommend initial policies and terms of reference; and that the matter then return to the Board for further discussion.

That the proposal by the Faculty of Dentistry to offer a degree completion program in Dental Hygiene - Bachelor of Dental Science (B.D.Sc.) is hereby approved.

That the proposal by the Faculty of Graduate Studies to establish a Sustainable Development Research Institute is hereby approved. (It was noted, with respect to page 6 of the supporting documentation that there should not be a steering committee in an administrative line, and that the diagram was in conflict with the statement in the material that says the Director will report to the Dean of Graduate Studies.)

CARRIED.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

##### Waste Audit

A memorandum dated March 1, 1991, to Deans, Directors and Heads from Mr. A. Bruce Gellatly with respect to waste reduction, recycling and reuse had been circulated and was received for information.

**OTHER BUSINESS**Board AppointmentsTRIUMF

It was RESOLVED,

That the following be reappointed as representatives of The University of British Columbia on the TRIUMF Board of Management:

Dr. David F. Measday  
Department of Physics  
Appointment reaffirmed for the period July 1989 to June 1992

Mr. Denzil Doyle  
Appointment reaffirmed for the period July 1989 to June 1992

Dr. Robert C. Miller, Jr.  
Vice President, Research  
Reappointed for the period March 1991 to June 1994

CARRIED.

Aquatic Centre Management Committee

Attention was drawn to the proposed designation of Mr. Ian Burgess, who is a member of staff, as "Community Representative." Dr. Srivastava advised that it had been past practice to appoint people who were knowledgeable about the operation of the Aquatic Centre. It was agreed that the designation would be reviewed before a recommendation is brought forward next year.

It was RESOLVED,

That the following appointments be made to the Aquatic Centre Management Committee:

Mr. Ian Burgess be appointed as Community representative for a second year, from June 1, 1991, to May 31, 1992, of a three year term.

Dean Nancy Sheehan be appointed as a University Representative for a third year from June 1, 1991, to May 31, 1992, of a three year term.

Dean J. F. Richards be appointed as a University representative for the first year June 1, 1991, to May 31, 1992, of a three year term.

CARRIED.