

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Governors of The University of British Columbia was held on Thursday, March 7, 1985, at 2:25 p.m. in the Board and Senate Room of the Old Administration Building.

Present: Mr. David G. A. McLean, Chairman
Dr. Robert H. T. Smith, President *pro tem*
Chancellor W. Robert Wyman
Dr. Patricia Baird
Ms. Nancy Bradshaw
Mr. Peter Brown
Mr. Victor Doray
Mr. G. H. D. Hobbs
Mr. Don Holubitsky
Mr. Robert H. Lee
Mrs. Joy McCusker
Dr. L. R. Peterson, Q.C.
Dr. Olav Slaymaker
Mr. Richard Stewart

In Attendance: Mrs. Nina Robinson, Secretary to the Board
Vice President A. Bruce Gellatly
Vice President David T. McMillan
Mr. Allen Baxter, Associate Vice President and Treasurer
Dr. John Chase
Dr. Robert Hindmarch
Ms. Mary Flores
Dr. Neil R. Risebrough
Dr. P. A. Larkin
Mr. C. S. Hopkins
Members of the Press and Public Gallery

A message of regret for absence was received from Mr. W. L. Sauder.

OPEN SESSION

Resignation of President K. George Pedersen

Announcement from the Chairman of the Board

The Chairman read a statement with respect to the resignation of President K. George Pedersen and asked that it be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

"As Chairman of the Board of Governors, I announce today that we have accepted a request by our President, Dr. K. George Pedersen, to be released from his contract with the University.

Dr. Pedersen became the eighth President of UBC in July, 1983. We are very disappointed to be losing such a fine academic leader. Both he and his wife Joan have worked very hard, not only for UBC, but also for each of the universities in this province.

George has earned our thanks and appreciation for the contribution he has made, particularly in bringing the University Community closer together and we wish him well in his future endeavours.

Dr. Pedersen requested to be released from his contract so that he might accept the position of President of The University of Western Ontario.

The Board of Governors today has appointed Dr. Robert H. T. Smith, Vice President Academic, as President *pro tem* of the University during the period of time it takes the Board to select a permanent president.

I wish to advise you that the Board of Governors has authorized formation of a committee charged with the responsibility of recommending suitable candidates to succeed Dr. Pedersen. The Committee will be chaired by the Chancellor of the University, Mr. Robert Wyman, and will include representatives from the Senate, the Board of Governors, Deans of Faculties, faculty members, students and alumni. A similar committee was struck for the selection of the last three Presidents of The University of British Columbia.

Our hope is that we will be able to proceed quickly. These are challenging times for the University, and it is important for the future that a permanent President be selected as soon as possible."

Tuition Fees

A number of delegations were in attendance to present views with respect to the question of tuition fees and all the various aspects of fee increases that had been discussed at the meeting of the Board on February 7, 1985.

Representations were heard from the following groups:

(1) Alma Mater Society - Ms. Glenna Chestnutt and Mr. Duncan Stewart

(2) International Students - Ms. Laurel Johnston

(3) Graduate Student Society - Mr. Phil Bennett and Mr. Brian Bain

The Chairman thanked the groups for their presentations.

FINANCE

Department of Student Housing and Conferences - Budget 1985-86

It was RESOLVED,

That the Department of Student Housing and Conferences Budget 1985-86 be and is hereby approved.

CARRIED

It was RESOLVED,

That the Housing Services Budget and Residence Rates for 1985-86 be and are hereby approved.

CARRIED

Notable donations for January, 1985

The listing of notable donations for the month of January 1985, had been circulated and was received for information.

The Chairman drew attention to two generous donations from Mr. Arthur Fouks and Dr. Walter C. Koerner, former members of the Board of Governors.

Gifts, grants and bequests for specific purposes for the period April 1, 1984, to January 31, 1985

The foregoing report had been circulated and was received for information.

Summary of Estates

The summary of estates dated February 19, 1985, had been circulated and was received for information.

It was RESOLVED,

That the report from the Director of Financial Services with respect to the Estate of Lydia Soch be received for information; and that the Chairman of the Board write to Mr. Lloyd Paul Soch, the son of the deceased, expressing the Board's gratitude for the bequest.

CARRIED

PROPERTY

Construction Program Status Report

The construction program status report dated February 20, 1985, had been circulated and was received for information.

OTHER BUSINESS

Board appointments to Aquatic Centre Management Committee

It was RESOLVED,

That Dr. Robert G. Hindmarch be appointed as a University Representative to the Aquatic Centre Management Committee for a term of one year from June 1, 1985, to May 31, 1986; that Mr. Paul Bullen be reappointed as a University Representative for a second year from June 1, 1985, to May 31, 1986; and that Mr. C. Rooney be reappointed as a Community Representative for a third and final term from June 1, 1985, to May 31, 1986.

CARRIED

Reminder re Board Meeting, Vancouver City College, May 3, 1985

The Chairman advised that the details with respect to the Board meeting at Vancouver City College were under discussion, and that a report would be made to the April meeting of the Board.

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