

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Governors was held on Thursday, December 11, 1997, at 8:00 a.m. in the Board and Senate Room, Old Administration Building.

Present: Ms Shirley Chan, Chair

Dr. William L. Sauder, Chancellor

Dr. Martha C. Piper, President

Mr. Larry I. Bell

Mr. David Borins

Dr. Joanne Emerman

Mr. Kenneth V. Georgetti

Mr. Harold C. Kalke

Dr. Roslyn Kunin

Ms Kera McArthur

Ms Lois Moen

Ms Guninder C. Mumick

Dr. Philip Resnick

Ms Linda Thorstad

Ms Marion J. J. York

In Attendance: Mrs. Nina Robinson, Secretary to the Board

Dr. Daniel R. Birch, Vice President, Academic & Provost

Dr. Bernie Bressler, Vice President Research

Dr. Maria Klawe, Vice President Student and Academic Services

Mr. Terry Sumner, Vice President, Administration & Finance

Mr. Peter Ufford, Vice President, External Affairs

Mr. Dennis Pavlich, Associate Vice President Academic & Legal Affairs

Mr. Frank Eastham, Associate Vice President Human Resources

Mr. Geoff Atkins, Associate Vice President Land and Building Services

Dr. Chuck Slonecker, Director, University Relations

Ms Paula Martin, Manager, Public Affairs Office

Mr. Al Poettcker, Vice Chair & CEO, UBC REC

Mr. Byron Braley

Ms Deborah Sweeney

REMARKS

Board Chair

Congratulations to UBC Thunderbirds on Winning the 1997 Vanier Cup

The UBC Thunderbird football team was in attendance at the Board meeting to give the Board an opportunity of congratulating them on winning the 1997 Vanier Cup for the first time in ten years. Ms Shirley Chan stated that the University was very proud of the UBC Thunderbirds for this outstanding achievement. President Martha Piper also expressed congratulations to the team on its extraordinary accomplishment,

and extended warmest good wishes for even more success in the future.

Appreciation to Dr. Daniel R. Birch on completion of his term as Vice President Academic & Provost

On behalf of the Board of Governors, Ms Shirley Chan thanked Dr. Daniel R. Birch for his dedicated and outstanding service to the University as Vice President Academic and Provost for the past twelve years. She stated that Dr. Birch's significant contributions in his vice presidential role had helped to position UBC as one of the leading universities in North America.

President

APEC

President Martha Piper gave the Board an extensive briefing on the APEC Conference. She indicated that she was proud of the numerous UBC faculty, staff and students who had worked very hard to ensure that UBC met its obligations under its contract with the Federal Government to act as the venue for the conference.

Dr. Piper stated that the actions of police and the R.C.M.P. in connection with APEC demonstrations and protests at UBC had raised a number of important issues that had to be reviewed, and she outlined the actions that her office had initiated to date.

Following a lengthy discussion, the following motion was passed.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the Board Chair write a letter to The Honourable Jean Chretien outlining the Board's concerns with respect to the APEC Conference, and expressing our plan which includes disclosure of information.

CARRIED

It was agreed that Ms Chan's letter would be circulated to the Board, and that the Board would be kept apprised of actions with respect to this matter.

Report on Minister's Forum

President Martha Piper stated that The Honourable Paul Ramsey had held a forum last Friday for the university sector for the purpose of getting the universities to work together to develop a sectoral plan. Representatives from UBC included the Ms Shirley Chan, Dr. Martha Piper, Dr. Daniel R. Birch, Dr. Barry McBride and a representative of Senate, Dr. Paul Burn. The President felt that it was a very useful day. There was good dialogue with government and with other universities. She felt that there was now more of a partnership in terms of developing a vision for post secondary education in B.C. She said that the universities would be working with the Ministry with a view to increasing access to post secondary education while also ensuring quality education.

OPEN AGENDA CONSENT ITEMS

That the following items designated "consent" on the open agenda of the December 11, 1997, Board meeting be and are hereby approved as presented.

ACADEMIC & STUDENT AFFAIRS

Endowment Deeds

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the following Endowment Deeds be and are hereby approved:

Faculty of Arts:

Korean Language Instructorship Endowment Deed

Faculty of Medicine:

Department of Physiology Fund Endowment Deed

W. M. Thurlbeck Research Award Endowment Deed

CARRIED.

Policy on Advertising

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the Policy on Advertising dated December 4, 1997, be and is hereby approved.

CARRIED.

Recommendations from Senate Meetings of November 12 and December 10, 1997

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the new awards listed be approved. (Approved as required under the University Act, Sections 37 (I) and 38).

CARRIED.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the recommendation of Senate that:

The Department of French, Hispanic and Italian Studies be established effective April 1, 1998, and

The Department of French and the Department of Hispanic and Italian Studies be disestablished effective the same date

be approved. (Approved as required under the University Act, Sections 36 (i), (o) and 37).

CARRIED.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the Board of Governors concurs with the recommendation of Senate in approving the establishment of the University of British Columbia Centre for Disease Control (Approved as required under Sections 36 (i), (o) and 37 of the University Act.

CARRIED.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the Board of Governors concurs with the recommendation of Senate in approving curriculum proposals from the Faculties of Agricultural Sciences and Commerce and Business Administration, and other minor changes, as outlined in the summary report dated November 28, 1997. (Approved as required under Sections 36 (f),(i)(o) and 37 of the University Act.

CARRIED.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the Board of Governors concurs with the recommendation of Senate in approving the naming of the Asa and Kashmir Johal Chair of Indian Research. (Approved as required under the University Act, Sections 37 (l), (o) and 38 (l).

CARRIED.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the Board of Governors receives for information the Provost's Report on First Nations Programs and Academic Initiatives at UBC, and concurs with the recommendation of Senate by endorsing the goal of enrolling 1,000 First Nations students by the year 2000 and encourages Faculties to implement appropriately the Senate-approved policy on the admission of First Nations students. (Approved as required under the University Act, Sections 37 (1)(o) and 38 (l).

CARRIED.

EMPLOYEE RELATIONS

Staff Pension Plan

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That Mr. Jay Parker be and is hereby appointed as Director to the University of British Columbia Staff Pension Plan for the term commencing January 1, 1998, to December 31, 2001.

CARRIED.

OTHER BUSINESS

Memorial Minutes to Dr. Donovan F. Miller and The Honourable Chief Justice Nathan T. Nemetz

The University of British Columbia is very fortunate to have a large and dedicated alumni eager to provide expertise, guidance and support to the university. With the recent passing of Donovan Miller and Chief Justice Nathan Nemetz, this university lost two individuals who personified the spirit of UBC, and who gave generously of their time and resources to its betterment.

Memorial Minute to Dr. Donovan F. Miller

Donovan Miller was born in Winnipeg in 1917. He received his early education there

and in Edmonton, and moved to Vancouver in 1936. He intended to enroll at UBC, but World War Two intervened. He joined the Seaforth Highlanders and served as a Lieutenant in the Royal Canadian Naval Volunteer Reserve, seeing action on the Atlantic and in Europe between 1941 and 1945. After the War he joined thousands of returning soldiers at UBC where, in 1947, he earned a degree in Commerce.

Degree in hand, he joined the Canadian Fishing Company Limited and through hard work and creative management, rose through various departments until 1984 when he retired as Chairman of the Board and President of that company.

Mr. Miller was also recipient of the Sloan Fellowship in 1954-55 at which time he attended MIT and earned a master of science degree in business administration.

Throughout his life, he gave generously of his time and talents to public service. He was particularly interested in matters surrounding the fishery and worked with both Canadian and Japanese organizations and the Canada-Japan Society to improve and preserve the industry. He was also very active in the Scouting movement, serving as president of the National Council from 1978 to 1980.

Mr. Miller was particularly dedicated to his alma mater. He became active in the Alumni Association shortly after graduation and was elected president in 1960. In 1962, he was elected by Convocation to the Senate which he served until 1970. From 1963 to 1972 he served on the university's Board of Governors during those difficult years. In recognition of his concern for UBC and his insight into its workings, he was elected Chancellor in 1975.

He was awarded many honours in his lifetime, including the Order of Canada, Order of Sacred Treasure of Japan 3rd Class, Silver Wolf - Boy Scouts of Canada and the Queen's Medal.

Donovan Miller was a wise and trusted friend of this university. He cared deeply about UBC and felt an abiding pride in its accomplishments.

To his wife Katherine and to the surviving members of his family, the Board of Governors and the Senate of the University of British Columbia extends its deepest sympathy.

Memorial Minute to The Honourable Chief Justice Nathan T. Nemetz

Chief Justice Nathan Nemetz was born in Winnipeg in 1913 and moved with his family to Vancouver when he was 10. He received a bachelor's degree in History at UBC in 1934 and was called to the Bar in 1937.

Mr. Nemetz was a passionate and articulate supporter of civil and human rights all his life. He was a founding member of the Canadian Civil Liberties Union in Vancouver, and was active in the 1950s lobbying for anti-discrimination legislation in BC. He co-chaired the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews in the 1950s, served as president of B'nai Brith and was involved with the Canadian Jewish Congress.

His strong social consciousness also affected the direction and growth of his professional career. Before the beginning of the Second World War he became involved in labour law as a way of dealing with the high unemployment of the time. He represented unions and workers' associations in Vancouver, and represented the Marine Workers' Union in the last B.C. case to be appealed to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council in London.

In 1963, his hard work and extraordinary abilities resulted in his appointment to the Supreme Court of B.C. Ten years later he was appointed chief justice of the Supreme Court, then in 1978 he became chief justice of the B.C. Court of Appeal, the highest judicial post in the province. In a special edition of UBC's Law Review in 1988, Justice Peter Seaton summed up his career eloquently, calling him 'the leading judicial administrator in Canada.'

In spite of his demanding career, Chief Justice Nemetz gave much time and expertise to his alma mater. He was active in the Alumni Association from graduation and became its president in 1956. He served on the university's Senate from 1957 to 1963, and on the Board of Governors from 1957 to 1968. He was chairman of the Board from 1965 to 1968.

He also served as Chancellor of UBC from 1972 to 1975. He was given an Honorary Degree in 1975.

Mr. Nemetz was an early supporter of the World of Opportunity Campaign. As a member of the Campaign's Leadership Advisory Committee, he helped develop the aims and focus of the campaign in its beginning stages. Through the campaign, his many friends and colleagues established the Nathan T. Nemetz Chair in Legal History at UBC in recognition of his contribution to Canadian society.

Throughout his life, he maintained a strong affection for his alma mater and a deep concern for its development. The University of British Columbia has had few graduates as distinguished and dedicated as Nathan Nemetz.

To his son, Peter, his surviving family and his host of friends, the Board of Governors and the Senate of the University of British Columbia extends its deepest sympathies.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the Memorial Minute to Dr. Donovan F. Miller and Chief Justice Nathan T. Nemetz be spread upon the minutes of the Board; and that a copy be sent to their respective families.

CARRIED.

Freedom of Information—Designated Officers

It was recommended that legal staff in the Office of the Vice President Academic and Legal Affairs be authorized to perform some of the routine functions of the head of the public body that will facilitate a more efficient handling of information requests at the University. The proposed resolution does not authorize the legal staff to release any records without the approval of a member of the following group: the President, a Vice President, an Associate Vice President, the Provost, the Vice-Provost or the Registrar.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That, pursuant to Section 77 (b) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, T.S.BC, c.165 (the "Act"), the Board hereby authorizes the legal staff under the direction of the Associate Vice President Academic and Legal Affairs to:

- **Extend the time limits for responding to an information request as provided for in Section 10,**
- **Deny access to records when the request is for records not covered by the Act,**
- **Transfer a request for records to a more appropriate public body under section 11, and**
- **Notify third parties regarding the possible release of records under Section 23,**

and that this authorization be retroactive to the date the University became a local public body under the Act in 1994.

CARRIED.

OPEN ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

PLANNING & PROPERTY

Liu Centre—International House Site

The following documentation had been circulated in connection with this item.

- Executive Summaries dated December 1 and December 9, 1997
- Notes of Public Meeting held November 13, 1997
- Functional Program

It was noted that the Liu Centre Working Committee is continuing with the establishment of the Centre for International Studies on the International House site. Representatives of the International House have joined the Liu Centre Working Committee, and coordination and program development meetings are in progress.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That approval is hereby given to the following:

- (1) The functional program is approved; and Campus Planning and Development Staff are instructed to proceed with design work;**
- (2) Funding in the amount of \$75,000 for consulting, project management and administrative costs up to January 22, 1998;**
- (3) The project schedule;**
- (4) The issue of notice by the University to the Vancouver Alumni Panhellenic**

Association, giving one year's notice in writing (as required by the Lease agreement) of the University intent to take back the Panhellenic House by December 31, 1998.

CARRIED.

OCP/Governance-Planning Council (Membership/Terms of Reference)

The Board received recommendations with respect to membership and terms of reference for the Planning Council, and for the terms of reference for the Electoral Area A Governance Study. Mr. Harold Kalke advised that Ms Catherine Vertesi had been added to the circulated list of Planning Council membership.

It was agreed that the following documents would be circulated to Board members following the meeting.

- Job Description for UBC Member of the Governance Committee
- Summary of Governance Study for Electoral Area A

In addition, it was agreed that the Board Chair would write to B.C.Transit and the GVRD to request that the question of provision of LRT service to UBC be revisited.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the membership and terms of reference for the Planning Council are hereby approved.

That the terms of reference for the Electoral Area A Study of Governance are

hereby approved.

CARRIED.

Heritage Hut

Mr. Harold Kalke recalled that, several years ago, the Board had passed a resolution requesting the University Administration to designate a heritage hut, and to prepare plans for moving that hut to a central location. Mr. Kalke stated he would like to see the hut used as a location that deals with issues of sense of place, i.e. a place where the physical nature of the campus can be discussed. He encouraged the University Administration to move forward on this matter.

EMPLOYEE RELATIONS

Public Sector Employers' Council (P.S.E.C.) and University Public Sector Employers (U.P.S.E.A.)

In response to a request from government that the universities ensure better coordination of human resource and labour relations policies and practices in the broad public sector, the universities collectively entered into discussions with PSEC to develop a model that recognizes that the universities differ in their forms, functions, and relationships with government. This differentiation means that the appropriate bargaining model is one based upon each individual employer while ensuring a sectoral approval mechanism.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That, subject to P.S.E.C. approval of the sectoral plan, The University of British Columbia resolves to operate in conformity with the U.P.S.E.A. sectoral mandate and to coordinate all activities relating to employee compensation through U.P.S.E.A.

CARRIED.

OPEN INFORMATION ITEMS

PLANNING & PROPERTY

East Campus Development Opportunity

A comprehensive report dated November 27, 1997, on the east campus development opportunity had been circulated and was received for information.

IT WAS RESOLVED,

That the University Administration be and is hereby authorized to negotiate with the Provincial Government regarding the acquisition of Lots 6, 7 and 8.

CARRIED.

Major Projects Status Report

The major projects status report dated November 7, 1997, had been circulated and was received for information.

Walter Koerner Library--Phase I--Project Completion Report

A project completion report on the Walter Koerner Library--Phase I had been circulated and was received for information.

UBC Properties Inc.--Standing Report

The UBC Properties Inc. standing report dated November 10, 1997, had been circulated and was received for information.

FINANCE

Financial Statements

The following financial statements had been circulated and were received for information.

Alma Mater Society

Alumni Association

American Foundation

UBC Aquatic Centre

BCnet Networking Society Incorporated

BR Centre Limited

Hong Kong Foundation

San Rafael Research Foundation

TRIUMF

UBC Foundation

UBC Properties

UBC Research Enterprises Inc.

UBC Society for the Education of Young Children

Business Relations Update

An update on business-education partnerships initiatives had been circulated and was received for information. The report contained the following:

- Overview of Business-Education Partnerships
- Partnerships Update
- Business-Education Partnership Advisory Committee
- Business-Education Partnerships Forum

General Purpose Operating Funds

A comparison of budget to actual for the 1997-98 fiscal year as at September 30, 1997, as well as the GPOF forecast for 1997-98 had been circulated and was received for information.

University Endowment Funds

The Board received a backgrounder that had been prepared to update the Board on the status, performance and recent changes made to the investment structure of the UBC Endowment Funds.

Donations Report for the period ended September 30, 1997

The donations report for the quarter ended September 30, 1997, as well as the five year summary for the same quarter had been circulated and was received for information.

UBC Spinoff Companies Report and Canada Foundation for Innovation

A report on UBC Spin-Off Company Formation and Growth by Angus Livingstone, Associate Director, UBC-UILO had been circulated and was received for information.

Dr. Bernie Bressler gave a presentation on these issues.

President Piper stressed the importance of the Canada Foundation for Innovation to the University, and she asked for the Board's support and advice on this issue. Following a lengthy discussion, it was agreed that the following actions would be taken.

- Develop a one-pager on CFI
- Talk to CEO's of successful spinoff companies as well as brokerage firms
- President Piper to approach advisory committee to Finance Minister
- Investigate tax incentives or royalty splits for investors
- Board Chair to write to Premier, Minister of Finance, of Education and Employment and Investment

UBC Research Enterprises Inc. and Business Plan

The Board received the UBC Research Enterprises Inc. business plan as well as an update on progress being made towards the full development and implementation of UBC Research Enterprises Inc.

Athletics and Recreation--Five Year Business Plan Update

Dr. Maria Klawe spoke briefly to the five year business plan for Athletics and Recreation. She indicated that a full report would be presented to the January 1998 meeting of the Board.

ACADEMIC & STUDENT AFFAIRS

Senate Reports for Information

The Board received for information the following reports forwarded to Senate for its meeting of December 10, 1997:

1. Report on the Degree Program Review Committee dated November 25, 1997
2. Report of the University Committee on the Value and Evaluation of teaching dated October 8, 1997.

In addition, the Board received for information the report forwarded to the Senate for its meeting of December 10, 1997, on the Policy of Administrative Units together with the recommendation that Senate refer to the Senate Academic Policy Committee the task of:

1. consulting with Deans, Heads and Directors, reviewing and revising as appropriate Senate's Statement of Policy on the Reviews of Administrative Units;
2. recommending to Senate on the inclusion of Senate-approved policies, including this one, in the UBC Policy Handbook

The Board also received for information the following

1. Report on the Transition School together with the recommendation that Senate refer to the Senate Admissions Committee for reconsideration its current policy on concurrent studies.
2. Provost's report to Senate for 1995-96 and 1996-97 on actions taken in cases of teaching evaluated as less than satisfactory.

Joint Board/Senate Committee re Use of Donors' Names--Progress Report

Dr. Philip Resnick gave the Board an update on the deliberations of the joint Board/Senate Committee on the use of donors' names. He hoped to have a recommendation for the March 1998 meeting of the Board.

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH & SAFETY

Mr. Mark Aston, Manager, Environmental Program gave a brief presentation, and the following reports were received for information.

1. Review of the University of British Columbia's Environmental Management System
2. Steps Taken to Identify and Manage Environmental Compliance Issues at UBC
3. Emergency Preparedness Program at the University of British Columbia

These updates represented an outline of current programs, activities, and initiatives in place to ensure due diligence by the University with respect to environmental management on campus

EMPLOYEE RELATIONS

Job Evaluation Systems Project—Update

Mr. Frank Eastham updated the Board on the status of the Job Evaluations Systems Project.

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was made available to the Board.

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| November 14, 1997 | Minister's Forum on Universities |
| October 10, 1997 | Simon Fraser Student Society re API |
| October 8, 1997 | UBC Amateur Radio Society re Broc Annex |
| October 7, 1997 | Rita Harder CUPE Union Local #295 fiscal concerns |
| October 21, 1997 | James Boucher re APEC |

OTHER BUSINESS

Record of Contracts and Agreements Processed under Signing Resolution #7

A record of contracts and agreements processed under signing resolution #7 for the period November 19, 1996, to November 24, 1997, had been circulated for the information of the Board.

The meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Nina Robinson,

Secretary to the Board

Confirmed,

Shirley Chan,

Board Chair

APPOINTMENTS, RE-APPOINTMENTS, CHANGES TO START DATES, CHANGE TO STARTING SALARY, CORRECTION, RESIGNATIONS, DEATHS

The Board of Governors at its meeting of December 11, 1997 approved the following recommendations and received notice about the following items.

David Lirenman, Associate Dean, Faculty of Medicine, July 1, 1997 to Dec. 31, 1997.

David Hill, Associate Dean, Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Sept. 1, 1997 to June 30, 1999.

Ann Rose, Director, Genetics Graduate Program, Oct. 1, 1997 to June 30, 2002.

Mandakranta Bose, Acting Director, Centre for India and South Asia Research, Aug. 1, 1997 to March 31, 1998.

Kathy Pichora-Fuller, Director, Institute of Hearing Accessibility Research, Sept. 1, 1997 to

June 30, 1999.

William Ovalle, Acting Head, Department of Anatomy, Oct. 1, 1997 to Nov. 30, 1997.

Vladimir Palaty, Acting Head, Department of Anatomy, Oct. 1, 1997 to Nov. 30, 1997.

Douglas Kilburn, Director, Biotechnology Laboratory & Microbiology, July 1, 1997 to Dec. 31, 2000.

Xiaotao Bi, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemical & Bio-Resource Engineering, Sept. 1, 1997 to June 30, 2000.

Sidney Fels, Assistant Professor, Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering, Jan. 1, 1998 to June 30, 2001.

Anne Dewar, Assistant Professor, School of Nursing, Oct. 1, 1997 to June 30, 2000.

Gurpal Sandhu, Assistant Professor, School of Nursing, Sept. 1, 1997 to June 30, 2000.

Cindy Prescott, Assistant Professor, Department of Forest Sciences, July 1, 1997 to June 30, 2000.

Chong Lee, Assistant Professor, Department of Medicine, July 11, 1997 to June 30, 2000.

Sai Ma, Assistant Professor, Department of Obstetrics & Gynaecology, July 1, 1997 to June 30, 2000.

Aly Karsan, Assistant Professor, Department of Pathology, Oct. 1, 1997 to June 30, 2000.

William Gourlay, Assistant Professor, Department of Surgery, Oct. 1, 1997 to June 30, 2000.

RESIGNATIONS

Jim Mehaffy, Associate Professor, Department of Chemical & Bio-Resource Engineering, Nov. 30, 1997.

Gordon Baskerville, Professor, Department of Forest Resources Management, Dec. 31, 1997.

Mark Fruin, Professor, Institute of Asian Research, June 30, 1997.

Mitsushi Okazawa, Assistant Professor, Department of Pathology & Laboratory Medicine, Dec. 31, 1997.