# MINUTES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF LETHBRIDGE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OPEN SESSION HELD THURSDAY, MAY 20, 2004 AT 1:30 P.M. IN THE BOARD ROOM (W646)

Present: Terry Royer (Chair), Linda Anderson, Bill Cade, Derek Peddle, Shirley DeBow,

Robert Turner, Kevin Keith, Jill Kotkas, Guy McNab, Myles Bourke, Doug Stokes,

Gordon Rosko, Dan Laplante, Dustin Hines, Rita Zaugg (Secretary)

Regrets: Grant Pisko, Dawna Coslovi, Jason Rumer, Loralee Edwards, Aaron Engen

Others: Séamus O'Shea, Vice-President (Academic) and Provost

Nancy Walker, Vice-President (Finance & Administration)

Karen Clearwater, Associate Vice-President (Financial Planning)

#### 1. CONSENT AGENDA

1.1 Approval of the May 20, 2004 Open Session Agenda

1.2 Approval of the March 24, 2004 Open Session Minutes

MOTION: opn.2004.05.01

Stokes/McNab That the Consent Agenda for the May 20, 2004

Open Session be approved.

Motion: Carried

# 2. **BOARD CHAIR REMARKS**

#### 2.1 Dustin Hines

Terry Royer recognized Dustin Hines' service to the Board of Governors by presenting him with a scroll and a Board photo. Terry noted that Dustin was an asset to both the Board and the University. Bill Cade also thanked Dustin Hines for his participation on the Board and congratulated him on the recent successful defence of his thesis.

#### 2.1 NAUBCS Conference Report

Terry Royer referred to the NAUBCS report in the agenda. The primary focus at the conference was governance, which is also the primary focus of the June Board retreat. Terry complimented the Board on their diligence, and commented that he felt that the University of Lethbridge was ahead of many board's represented at the meeting.

# 3. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

#### 3.1 University Administrators Salaries

Bill Cade brought the Board members attention to the article from the Calgary Herald, included in the agenda materials, regarding University administrators' salaries. He commented that he agrees that the salaries should be public, although he noted that the numbers are not quite accurate.

## 3.2 Mandatory Retirement

Bill Cade brought the Board members attention to the article from the C.D. Howe Institute *Backgrounder* on Mandatory Retirement, which was included with the agenda.

## 3.3 Progress and Future Vision Report

Bill Cade referred to the Progress and Future Vision Report included in the agenda. This report was also provided to the General Faculties Council.

#### 3.4 Odvssium

Next Wednesday Alice Hontela of the University of Lethbridge will make a presentation at the Odyssium in Edmonton. The topic of discussion will be "Water: Lifeblood of the Planet".

## 3.5 Chartered Accountant Recognition Reception

There will be a CA Recognition Reception held at the University of Lethbridge on Wednesday, May 26. This event has been organized by the Faculty of Management.

#### 3.6 Standing Proud and Standing Strong Campaign

Bill Cade noted that it is the first anniversary of the BSE crisis, a crisis which has impacted both the locally and nationally. Ed Fetting of Economic Development Lethbridge has been working hard to get support on the "Standing Proud and Standing Strong" Campaign, designed to promote the strengths and pride of the region. Many organizations throughout Lethbridge have signed up to be apart of the program, including the University of Lethbridge. A barbecue was held at Galt Gardens on May 19 in support of the campaign. Bill Cade attended the barbecue and made a media presentation in support of the campaign.

#### 3.7 MACLEAN'S Magazine

The Lethbridge Herald recently included a story from MACLEAN'S magazine which featured 25 young people as "Faces of the Future". Two former University of Lethbridge students were included: Jeffrey Biernaskie and Janay MacNaughton, both specializing in neuroscience and physics research.

## 3.8 Archeological Dig

The Lethbridge Herald recently featured an article on an Archeological dig that is currently taking place near Fincastle, Alberta. University of Lethbridge archeology professor, Shawn Bubel is supervising the dig. The site being excavated has turned up many artifacts and bones where aboriginal people killed a herd of bison 1,300 to 1,500 years ago.

## 3.9 <u>Lethbridge Community College Graduation</u>

Bill Cade reported he attended the Lethbridge Community College graduation.

#### 3.10 Toni Hall

Bill Cade announced that Toni Hall recently had a scholarly work published, a book called The American Empire and the Fourth World. The book won an Alberta award.

## 3.11 CMA Leadership Lecture

The Certified Management Accountants (CMA Alberta) Leadership and Speaker Series took place on May 13. Jim Davidson, Managing Director and CEO of Calgary-based FirstEnergy Capital Corp. spoke on "Building a Winning Organization". His presentation focussed on the importance of right hiring, firing and leadership.

#### 3.12 Government Grants

Word has been received that the U of L will receive a \$30,000 grant from the Canadian Heritage Museum Assistance Program. This grant will enable proper storage for large artworks on paper as well as the production of publicly accessible research on these works.

The University will receive an Infrastructure Maintenance Program grant of approximately \$1.8 million. The total regular IMP grants for post-secondary institutions for 2004-05 are \$33 million. 80% of the grant will be released shortly, using existing area and condition data. The remainder will be calculated on updated data and released this summer.

#### 3.13 YWCA Women of Distinction Awards

The YWCA recently hosted the annual Women of Distinction Awards. Dayna Daniels from the Kinesiology & Physical Education Department and Women's Studies received an award as well as Dr. Betty Bastien, former University of Lethbridge student, and Tatiana Klvacek, a current U of L student.

#### 3.14 CKXU

The University of Lethbridge student radio station is now live and on the air. They can be heard on 88.3 FM. The new call letters are CKXU.

#### 3.15 Dinner with Catholic School Board

The Board of Governors will be attending a dinner with the Holy Spirit Roman Catholic Separate Regional Division No.4, following the Board meeting at 6:00. This is a part of the Catholic board's community outreach program.

#### 4. <u>ITEMS FOR ACTION</u>

#### 4.1 One-time Grant Allocations

Nancy Walker explained that they had budgeted for 2%, and received a 4% increase. The additional 2% (\$900,000) will be used to deal with outstanding issues in the current year. There was additional enrolment funds which added to approximately \$700,000. The money will be put into one-time projects.

MOTION: opn.2004.05.02

Keith/Stokes That the Board approve the following one-time budget

allocations, as a result of additional operating grants

received in 2004-2005:

#### **OPERATING PROJECTS**

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Teaching Development-Pat Chuchryk	\$25,000
Teaching Development Fund	\$30,000
VP Academic Discretionary Fund	\$25,000
Deans Contingency	\$40,000
Deans Development	\$25,000
Student Retention	\$50,000
Faculty of Management	\$100,000
VP Admin Discretionary Fund	\$25,000
Athletics Program External Review	\$10,000
-	\$330,000
CAPITAL & RENOVATION PROJECTS	
E790 renovations - faculty offices & labs	\$125,000
Building - health & safety issues	\$100,000
(2) 150 seat classrooms - PE200	\$450,000
CRC - CFI matching loan for scientific equipment	\$185,000
Furnishings & Equipment Replacement Reserve -	\$340,000
academic units	
CRDC equipment	<u>\$ 50,000</u>
9	\$1,250,000
9	\$1,580,000

Motion: Carried

#### **4.2** Finance Committee – Terms of Reference

Kevin Keith explained that they have attempted to update the terms of reference by separating the Finance and Audit committees. The intention is to implement this by fall 2004. The new terms address issues raised by the corporate world and Auditor General's office.

MOTION: opn.2004.05.03

Keith/McNab That the Board of Governors approve the revised terms of

reference of the Finance Committee of the Board of

Governors.

Motion: Carried

#### **4.3** Audit Committee – Terms of Reference

MOTION: opn.2004.05.04

Keith/Stokes That the Board of Governors approve the revised terms of

reference of the Audit Committee of the Board of

Governors.

Motion: Carried

#### 4.4 Pronghorn Logo

Nancy Walker explained that the revisions to the Pronghorn logo follow the changes to the University of Lethbridge crest, which were approved last year. There was considerable consultation both within and outside of the University, particularly with student athletes.

MOTION: opn.2004.05.05

Cade/Rosko That the Board of Governors approve the adoption of the

revised Pronghorn images.

Motion: Carried

# 4.5 Managing Unacceptable Behaviour by External Users of University Facilities

Nancy Walker explained that this is a revision to an existing policy. This policy is particularly important for dealing with issues that may arise in the areas that have higher public use; i.e. Physical Education facilities, library, swimming pool, etc.

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MOTION: opn.2004.05.06

Cade/DeBow That the Board of Governors approve the policy on

Managing Unacceptable Behaviour by External Users of

University Facilities.

Motion: Carried

#### 4.6 Surveillance of Public Areas Policy

Nancy Walker explained that the University has television cameras which monitor public areas. These televisions are not watched on a continuous basis, but the tapes are referred to if an incident occurs.

MOTION: opn.2004.05.07

Cade/Keith That the Board of Governors approve the policy on

Surveillance of Public Areas.

Motion: Carried

## 4.7 <u>Campus Smoking Policy</u>

The revised policy adds a designated smoke-free zone outside of each major buildings.

MOTION: opn.2004.05.08

Cade/Kotkas That the Board of Governors approve the Campus Smoking

Policy.

Motion: Carried

#### 5. <u>VICE-PRESIDENT (ACADEMIC) REPORT</u>

#### 5.1 Convocation

Séamus O'Shea spoke of the record number of students that will convocate this spring. There will be 1513 students convocating this year, compared to 1351 last year. Approximately 200 of these students are off campus. He reported that ticket needs for the ceremonies have been accommodated. This year also marks the first time the University of Lethbridge will graduate Ph.D. students. Two students will receive Ph.D. degrees. Robbin Gibb, a Ph.D. graduand in Psychology and Neuroscience, will be awarded the Governor General gold medal. All of the medal winners this year are women.

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# 5.2 <u>Niitsitapi Program</u>

The University has received funding for the Niitsitapi program and the full quota of people have been admitted. Séamus O'Shea noted that the university is working closely with Red Crow College on this initiative.

#### 6. VICE-PRESIDENT (FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION) REPORT

There was nothing added to the written report, which was received for information.

## 7. CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

The written report was received for information.

Terry Royer pointed out that former Board Chair, Phil North, and former Chancellor, Jim Horsman, will be receiving honorary degrees at the upcoming convocation ceremonies. Terry Royer encouraged Board members to attend those ceremonies.

#### 8. GRADUATE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION REPORT

Dustin Hines commented that the Graduate Students Association is currently working on provincial graduate student funding with Kathy Schrage in the Graduate Studies office. They are also busy setting up elections to staff positions.

Dustin thanked everyone on the Board for the great experience he had during his time as a Board member. He noted that he felt students have benefited greatly from the Board and that they have been more than fair to students.

#### 9. ALUMNI REPORT

Jill Kotkas referred to her written report which is filed with these minutes. She also encouraged the Board to participate in the Alumni golf tournament on June 12.

## 10. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: opn.2004.05.09

McNab/Stokes That the Open Session of the May 20, 2004 meeting of the

Board of Governors be adjourned.

Motion: Carried