

CAMOSUN COLLEGE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Monday, April 2, 2007
Lansdowne Campus**

I CALL TO ORDER

Kim Hesketh called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.

II INTRODUCTION OF IN-COMING BOARD MEMBERS

Kim Hesketh welcomed and introduced Robin Adair, Kyman Chan, Lynda Farmer and Linda Ross who have been appointed to the Board effective July 31, 2007 and attended the meeting this evening as observers. Kim noted that Milford Sorensen has been appointed to the Board effective immediately to replace Lee Lange but was unable to attend this meeting.

III APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved as presented.

IV APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The minutes of the March 5, 2007 meeting were adopted as submitted.

V UNION REPORTS

i) CCFA Report to the Board

Darryl Ainsley reviewed the contents of the written report submitted to the Board.

ii) CUPE Report to the Board

A written report from CUPE was distributed with the meeting package.

VI ORIENTATION PRESENTATION: CAMOSUN COLLEGE FOUNDATION

Susan Haddon, Director, College & Community Relations and Executive Director, Camosun College Foundation, introduced Stewart Parkinson, Chair of the Camosun College Foundation. Stewart reported that the Foundation has now been in existence for 25 years and has over \$10 million in endowed assets. The Foundation assists one in five full time students. The Foundation Board currently has a good mix of long term and new members. They recently had a day-long visioning exercise which resulted in a list of tasks which included the creation of a vision statement, identifying strategic partners of the Foundation, developing a communications strategy, and recruitment of new members. While the Foundation will always have a strong commitment to students, it does recognize there are other needs in the college and is discussing the possibility of setting up a new fund which is less restrictive. The Foundation would like input from the Board of Governors as to what the college would like their assistance with. Consideration will be given as to the best way to collect this input.

VII NEW BUSINESS

Nil.

VIII BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Finance Committee

Ann Moskow reported that a proposed investment policy which has been created in order to establish a clear investment accountability framework for the College has been recommended by the Finance Committee for approval.

MOTION:

THAT CAMOSUN COLLEGE BOARD OF GOVERNORS APPROVES THE INVESTMENT POLICY.

CARRIED

Ann advised that the Finance Committee met immediately before this Board meeting. The majority of the Board attended the meeting and received a presentation on the proposed Operating and Capital Budgets for 2007/2008. Ann noted that agreement to recommend the college's 2007/2008 Operating Budget was not reached and so was brought to the Board meeting for further discussion and decision.

It was moved and seconded to table the motion:

THAT THE CAMOSUN COLLEGE BOARD OF GOVERNORS APPROVES THE COLLEGE'S OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2007/2008 WITH TOTAL REVENUE OF \$89,365,547 AND TOTAL EXPENDITURE OF \$89,365,547.

There was lengthy discussion over the proposal to increase parking rates from \$1.75 per 4 hours to \$2.00 per 4 hours. Discussion included the potential financial impact this increase could have on students, the question of whether bus service is adequate (to each campus and between campuses), carpooling, the increasing pressure on college parking at peak times, and the effect of the increasing numbers of cars on campus to the environment. The college administration was asked to remove the parking fee increase and find another way of covering the \$100,000 revenue that was assigned to the increase.

MOTION:

THAT THE CAMOSUN COLLEGE OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2007/2008 NOT INCLUDE AN INCREASE IN PARKING FEES.

CARRIED

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THAT THE CAMOSUN COLLEGE BOARD OF GOVERNORS APPROVES THE COLLEGE'S OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2007/2008 WITH TOTAL REVENUE OF \$89,365,547 AND TOTAL EXPENDITURE OF \$89,365,547.

CARRIED

MOTION:

THAT THE CAMOSUN COLLEGE BOARD OF GOVERNORS APPROVES THE COLLEGE'S CAPITAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2007/2008 OF \$1,800,000 FROM OPERATING CAPITAL AND \$2,278,673 FROM ANNUAL CAPITAL ALLOWANCE.

CARRIED

The Board thanked Peter Lockie and Deborah Huelscher for their efforts throughout the budget process.

2. Executive Committee

Kim Hesketh reported that at an In-Camera meeting of the Board last week the Collective Agreement with BCEGEU, Local 701 was ratified. The Collective Agreement with the Camosun College Faculty Association was ratified in principle, pending approval and ratification by the board of the Post Secondary Employer's Association (Denis Powers advised that this has now taken place.)

3. Advocacy Committee

Nil.

4. PSI Steering Committee

David Johns noted that the minutes of the January 10, 2007 PSI Steering Committee were verbally reported previously. The committee met on March 13. It was reported that building tenders have closed and are within budget, site preparation continues, and construction has begun. The group also discussed operating matters and principles and received a report on items that could be added to the project as funding beyond the Phase 1 funding is secured. An update of the project Risk Register noted that many items have now been downgraded.

IX BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

1. Chairman's Report

Kim Hesketh thanked the in-coming Board members for attending this evening. Condolences were extended to Ann Moskow on the recent loss of her sister. Joan Yates has agreed to join the Board's Advocacy Committee. Elections were recently held for Board positions. Keith Todd has been acclaimed as the CUPE representative. Lauryn Morley has been acclaimed as the Student Society Lansdowne representative. There were no nominees for the Faculty position or the Student Society Interurban position; they will remain vacant until a by-election in October.

2. President's Report

i) General Update

Liz Ashton advised that a student has been suspended from the college in light of the fact that he has been arrested for sexual assault and criminal harassment against a female Camosun student. The suspect was released on a "Promise to Appear and an Undertaking" with several conditions, one of which is that he is forbidden to come onto either Lansdowne or Interurban campus.

First Nations Education and Services instructor Sandee Mitchell has been nominated for the inaugural *Alayne Hamilton Community Social Work Award at UVic*. The nomination recognizes Sandee's tireless contributions to community, her lifelong love of learning and her continued contributions to the legacy of social justice.

Liz recently attended the Aboriginal Round Table in Lac La Biche with Suzanne Bate, one of Camosun's Aboriginal Student Advisors. Suzanne spoke eloquently and passionately to an audience that included the Premier of Alberta about the challenges faced by aboriginal students in their quest for post-secondary education.

The annual Language Speech Contest was recently held at UVic. Sixteen students in Chinese language courses at Camosun participated. Three students: Andrew Dallin, Vivian Liem and Geoff Soch, in Chinese 201 won the first prize in the Mandarin Beginner's Category. Two students: Wonseok Choi and Brenda Yu, won the first prize in the Japanese Beginner's group category.

The Foundation's Annual Fundraising Dinner on March 16th raised almost \$45,000 for student financial assistance. It was an outstanding event and received praise from all who attended.

The Camosun College Speaker Series begins on April 19th with Dr. Samantha Nutt.

ii) Pacific Sport Institute Update

The groundbreaking event on March 20th was a great success. Liz thanked all Board members who attended. On April 23rd there will be the first in a series of community consultation to develop the framework for community programming.

3. Foundation

Peter Baillie noted that the Foundation's Annual Fundraising Dinner last year raised \$27,000, compared to the \$45,000 raised this year.

4. Education Council

Joan Yates noted that at the February meeting of the Education Council, minutes of which were included with the Board package, approval was given to the revised Civil Engineering Technology Diploma Program. The revisions are another example of changes to being made to programs to make them more flexible and available to students.

X ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Approved May 7, 2007