

**Brandon University Board of Governors  
(Open Session)**

**Thursday, May 22, 2008  
Louis Riel Room**

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**Present:** Mr. R. Lonstrup (Chair), Mr. J. Janzen, Dr. L. Visentin, Mr. S. Stewart, Mr. B. Gamblin, Ms P. Gardner, Mr. T. Matthews, Dr. J. Naylor, Mr. J. Malik

**Resource:** Mr. S. Lamont, Mrs. K. Gross, Mrs. K. Fisher (Recorder)

**Regrets:** Ms K. Janz, Ms K. Bayes, Mr. S. Montague, Dr. R. Robinson, Dr. S. Grills, Ms L. Wishart, Mr. E. Schreyer

**Absent:** Ms K. Decter

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**1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

**2.0 AGENDA AND MINUTES**

2.1 Approval of Agenda of May 22, 2008

Motion: Moved and seconded (L. Visentin/J. Janzen)

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda of the May 22, 2008, Board of Governors meeting (Open Session) be approved as amended**

**Additions:**

- 5.1 l) Bryan Myskiw, Warren MB
- m) Shaniece Harvey, Virden MB
- n) Samantha Shepherd, Elkhorn MB

- 6.4 a) Board Representative on Dean of Arts Search Committee

- 7.1 Congratulations to Dr. Reinhold Kramer

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CARRIED  
AS AMENDED**

2.2 Move to Closed Session

Motion: Moved and seconded (T. Mathews/B. Gamblin)

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting moves to Closed Session.**

2.3 Approval of Minutes of April 24, 2008

Motion: Moved and seconded (L. Visentin/S. Stewart)

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the April 24, 2008, Board of Governors meeting Open session be approved as amended.**

Amendment:

Regrets: Mr. J. Naylor should read Dr. J. Naylor

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CARRIED**

2.4 Motion(s) Raised from Closed Session

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the following motion(s) were raised from Closed Session:**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board Executive Committee recommend to the Board of Governors that the following applications for Sabbatical Leave, as recommended by the President, be approved:**

**EDUCATION:**

**Binda, K.P.....From January 1, 2010 to June 30, 2010 at 80%**

**HEALTH STUDIES:**

**Morrisette, Patrick .....From July 1, 2009 to December 31, 2009 at 80%**

**MUSIC:**

**Gordon, William .....From August 1, 2009 to July 31, 2010 at 80%**

**STUDENT SERVICES:**

**Terry, Marion.....From August 1, 2009 to July 31, 2010 at 79%**

**Grills, Sheilagh .....From July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010 at 80%**

**SCIENCE:**

**Berry, Mark.....From July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010 at 80%**

**McGonigle, Terence.....From July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010 at 80%**

**Fugleberg, Todd .....From July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010 at 80%**

**Williams, Jeffrey.....From January 1, 2010 to June 30, 2010 and January 1, 2011 to June 30, 2011 at 80%**

**(split at the request of the department)**

**ARTS:**

**Abdou, Abdella.....From July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010 at 80%**

Rose, Barbara.....	From July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010 at 80%
Graham, Elizabeth.....	From July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010 at 80%
MacKay, Lynn.....	From July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010 at 80%
Robinson, Steve .....	From July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010 at 80%
Cutschall, Colleen .....	From January 1, 2010 to June 30, 2010 at 80%
Serfaty, Meir.....	From July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010 at 80%
Gasse, Roseanne .....	From July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011 at 80%
(deferred at the request of the department)	

### 3.0 DELEGATIONS

#### 3.1 Research Presentation – Dr. Patricia (Tish) Langlois

Dr. Visentin welcomed Dr. Tish Langlois, professor of Sociology and Gender & Women’s Studies. Dr. Langlois completed her philosophy degree at St. Francis Xavier, her master’s degree at Memorial University of Newfoundland, and her doctoral studies at the University of Toronto. Dr. Langlois has been at the University for just under a year and has a great reputation among students.

Dr. Langlois spoke on her current research interests, more specifically, sexuality and Catholicism. Dr. Langlois stated that her research interests emerged as a result of her life experiences growing up in a traditional French-Canadian family.

Following Dr. Langlois’ presentation a brief discussion took place regarding the result of her research on the Catholic community.

The Chair thanked Dr. Langlois for her presentation.

### 4.0 CONTINUING BUSINESS

#### 4.1 There was no continuing business.

### 5.0 CORRESPONDENCE

#### 5.1 Thank You Letters – Board of Governors Entrance Scholarships

Thank you letters were received from 14 students who have received Board of Governors Entrance Scholarships.

### 6.0 REPORTS

#### 6.1 Executive Committee (R. Lonstrup)

There was no report.

#### 6.2 President (Dr. L. Visentin)

##### a) Other Matters

No other matters were discussed.

6.3 Board Budget Committee (R. Lonstrup)

There was no report.

6.4 By-laws and Nominating Committee (B. Gamblin)

a) Board Representative on Dean of Arts Search Committee

Mrs. Gross reported that Maureen Geldart of The Geldart Group has been commissioned as the search consultant for the Dean of Arts search committee.

The first meeting of this search committee will occur in late September and one representative from the Board of Governors is required to sit on this search committee. Mrs. Gross stated that this topic should be deferred to the June meeting in the hopes that more members will be in attendance.

The committee agreed that this discussion will be deferred until the June Board meeting.

6.5 Brandon University Foundation (Vacant/Vacant/J. Malik)

Mr. Malik reported that a meeting of the Brandon University Foundation was held on May 15, 2008. A review of the March 31<sup>st</sup> quarterly portfolio appraisal statements by Heathridge Capital took place and it was noted that marked weakness has a small impact on the performance of the portfolio. Approximately \$1.7 million payable to Brandon University from the Foundation was approved. The Foundation's Annual General Meeting is to be held on May 30<sup>th</sup> and the agenda for this meeting was discussed. The Foundation Handbook is in the process of being revised and a draft was discussed. The changes will be presented at the AGM for approval.

6.6 Knowles-Douglas Student Centre (S. Lamont/Vacant/Vacant)

There was no report.

6.7 Board of Trustees of the BU Retirement Plan (S. Lamont/B. Gamblin)

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on June 3, 2008.

6.8 Review Committee on the Status of Women (J. Malik)

Mr. Malik reported that the meeting of April 15, 2008, started with an 'End of Term' celebration lunch in the music faculty lounge which was well attended. He further stated that follow-up sessions of "Doing Academia Differently" will take place in early May and in the fall. The May session could involve members

filling out a cover page sheet of “incidences that were troubling” followed by discussions and problem solving. The focus would be on how to improve working conditions to make a more women-friendly workplace. The second follow-up session would involve making a call for mentors, and the session would begin with a short promotion/guidelines for mentoring.

The Status of Women Review will involve revising or developing a questionnaire and making an application for funding to various bodies (provincial government, the President, and to BUFA). It will require the hiring of a student research assistant, gather and analysing statistical information for Human Resources, etc., and writing of the final report.

Mr. Malik reported that another meeting of the Status of Women Committee took place on May 20, 2008. It was agreed that a wine and cheese and research mentor session will be held in the fall, likely in October. A review of the Status of Women activities will take place this summer and a review of safety on campus is being reviewed on an on-going basis.

The next meeting of the Status of Women Committee is tentatively scheduled for June 24, 2008.

6.9 Senate (R. Robinson/J. Naylor)

There was no report

6.10 Brandon University Alumni Association (R. Lonstrup)

Mr. Lonstrup stated that he was absent at the last meeting of the Alumni Association on May 12, 2008, due to a meeting of the Presidential Search committee so this report will be deferred until the next meeting.

6.11 Brandon University Students’ Union (S. Montague/K. Bayes)

There was no report.

**7.0 NEW BUSINESS**

7.1 Congratulations to Dr. Reinhold Kramer

Mr. Janzen stated that in July, 2001 one of the most acclaimed Canadian writers, Mordecai Richler, passed away and Dr. Reinhold Kramer has published the first biography of Mr. Richler. Excerpts of Dr. Kramer’s book were printed in the Globe and Mail and on behalf of the Board of Governors, Mr. Janzen shared his congratulations to Dr. Kramer on this accomplishment.

Motion: Congratulate Dr. Reinhold Kramer

Motion: Moved and Seconded (L. Visentin/J. Malik)

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Governors express congratulations to Dr. Reinhold Kramer on his recent accomplishment.

**CARRIED**

Mrs. Gross will communicate this with Dr. Kramer.

**8.0 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business.

**9.0 INFORMATION**

- 9.1 Brandon University Report of Staff Changes for April 2008
- 9.2 Transactions of \$25,000 or More – April 12, 2008 to May 2, 2008
- 9.3 2008 – 2009 BUSU Council
- 9.4 Contracts/Agreements Report – May, 2008
- 9.5 International Agreements – May, 2008
- 9.6 Telephones/Computes and Maintenance/Warranty Agreements – May, 2008

Items 9.1 through 9.6 were received for information.

**10.0 ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: Moved and seconded (P. Gardner/S. Stewart)

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting adjourn (6:27 p.m.)**

**CARRIED**

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Chair, Board of Governors

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Secretary, Board of Governors