The Board of Governors met at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, 28 May 2008, in Room 103, the Chancellor’s Room, Wu Conference Centre, on the Fredericton campus.

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Dr. P. Gillin  Ms. C. Ryan
Dr. K. Hamer  Mr. W. Squibb
Mr. M. Hazlett  Mr. D. Stevenson (Chair)
Ms. C. Hurley  Mr. S. Strople (Secretary)
Dr. G. Kealey  Ms. C. Sutherland
Dr. L. Kealey  Ms. R. Tingley
Ms. P. Lordon  Mr. J. Wallace

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Ms. S. DeVarenne, Associate University Secretary
Ms. C. Goodwin, Director of Communications and Marketing
Mr. L. Guitard, Assistant Vice-President (Finance and Corporate Services) and Comptroller
Ms. B. Nicholson, Associate Vice-President (Capital Planning & Property Development)
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Ms. S. Wilson-Forsberg (Student Board Member 2008-2009)
Mr. N. Wyles (Student Board Member 2008-2009)

Regrets:

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Ms. R. Cazabon
Dr. Daniel Coleman
Dr. David Coleman
Dr. R. Currie
Mr. G. Estey
Mr. J. Little
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OPEN SESSION

1. Announcements

1.1 D. Stevenson welcomed Board members to the May meeting. He noted that recently elected student members who will take office on July 1 were invited to the meeting as observers and introduced Nigel Wyles from the Saint John campus and Graduate Student Stacey Wilson-Forsberg and Bethany Vail, President of the Student Union, from the Fredericton campus.

1.2 The following members sent regrets for the meeting: Patrick Beamish, Rachel Cazabon, Daniel Coleman, David Coleman, Richard Currie, George Estey, John Little, Barbara MacDonald, Brent Shaw.

1.3 Board members were invited to join in the Encaenia and Convocation ceremonies. At UNBF, Ceremony A began at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, May 28, with Ceremony B at 10 a.m. and Ceremony C at 2 p.m. on Thursday, May 29. The 34th Spring Convocation on the Saint John campus was held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, May 30 in the G. Forbes Elliot Athletic Centre on the Saint John campus.

Ceremony A: Wednesday, 28 May 2008 at 2 p.m. Degrees were awarded to students in the Faculties of Business Administration, Kinesiology and Education. An Honorary Doctor of Laws was awarded to Dennis Furlong, a physician and former New Brunswick Cabinet Minister. Tony Proudfoot, former professional football player, broadcaster, author and educator, received an Honorary Doctor of Science and gave the convocation address. Wiktor Askanas was named Professor Emeritus in Business Administration and Chris Stevenson was named Professor and Dean Emeritus in Kinesiology.

Ceremony B: Thursday, 29 May 2008 at 10 a.m. Degrees were awarded to students in the Faculties of Arts, Nursing, and Renaissance College. Judith Oulton, Chief Executive Officer of the International Council of Nurses, received an Honorary Doctor of Science and delivered the convocation address. David Rehorick and Will van den Hoonoord were named Professors Emeriti in Sociology.

Ceremony C: Thursday, 29 May 2008 at 2 p.m. Degrees were awarded to students in the Faculties of Law, Science, Engineering, Forestry and Environmental Management, and Computer Science. A Doctor of Science honoris causa was awarded to Gordon Baskerville, former Dean of Forestry at UNB and forest policy architect. Dr. Baskerville gave the convocation address. Rajamani Doraiswami and James Taylor were named Professors Emeriti in Electrical and Computer Engineering.

At the Saint John Spring Convocation ceremony Mary Needler Arai, Marine Biologist and Professor Emerita at the University of Calgary, and Harald Rosenthal, President of the World Sturgeon Conservation Society, each received an Honorary Doctor of Science. Dr. Rosenthal gave the convocation address.

1.4 The Encaenia reception and dinner was held on Wednesday evening at 6:30 in the SUB Atrium, and the Honorary Degree Recipients’ reception and dinner was scheduled for Thursday evening at 6:30 at the Grand Hall in Saint John.

1.5 The Chair announced that “A New Perspective on Mars”, an exhibit of giant photographs taken by the European Space Agency, was on display at the UNB Art Centre from May 23 to June 27. Fredericton was the only Canadian venue to host this spectacular exhibit of large-scale full colour images of the topography of the planet.

In conjunction with the exhibit, UNB is to host guest lectures in Memorial Hall, as follows:
- Alain Ouellet, the program manager of Planetary Exploration and Space Astronomy for the Canadian Space Agency, discussed the “Maple Leave on Mars” on Wednesday, June 4 at 7 p.m.
- Lucy Thompson, a research scientist at UNB’s Planetary and Space Science Centre, presented “Mars Up Close: Imaging and insights into the past and present of the Red Planet” on Wednesday, June 11 at 7 p.m.
- On Wednesday, June 18 at 7 p.m. John Spray, Canada Research Chair in Planetary Materials and Director of the Planetary and Space Science Centre at UNB, discussed “Exploring the Red Planet and the Search for Life on Mars.”
1. **Announcements** (cont’d)

1.6 The Chair recognized that it was the last regularly scheduled meeting in the current term for the following Board members:

- Patrick Beamish
- Kathy Hamer
- Rachel Cazabon
- John Little
- Daniel Coleman
- Norm McFarlane
- David Coleman
- Brad Mullins
- Jane Fritz
- Bonnie Murray

He thanked them for their service and contributions to the Board and its Committees, and wished them well in their future endeavours. He encouraged them to consider offering for the Board in future should the opportunity arise.

1.7 D. Stevenson announced that the University Secretariat had purchased a meeting management service called CivicWeb to assist with the preparation of agendas, minutes, reports and other follow up items. In addition, this system will provide a secure website for posting future Board agendas and reports. Beginning in September 2008, the Secretariat will no longer be circulating hard copies of agendas and materials for each meeting. Board members will have access to the meeting material through the website and a copy of all attachments will be projected onto a screen during meetings. The system is intended to respond to concerns regarding the need for ‘greener’ options and provide improved access to Board agendas.

1.8 The following items were handed out at the meeting:

- Item 6.1.2 Recent News and Accomplishments
- Item 7 Senates’ Business
- Item 9.1 Summary of Changes to the SIOP
- Item 12.4 MBA Fees
- Item 17.2 UNB Saint John Faculty and Staff List (addendum)
- Copies of graduation and prize list are available for perusal on the front table

1.9 C. Sutherland noted that the Alumnae Annual General Meeting would be held at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 7 in the President’s Room of the Alumni Memorial Building. Nicole Letourneau, UNB’s Canada Research Chair in Healthy Child Development, will be the guest speaker.

2. **Approval of Agenda, and Minutes of 17 April 2008** (circulated with agenda)

D. Stevenson noted that the Senates’ Business report for the May meetings was provided as a handout. This report included items that were last-minute additions to the Senate agendas and therefore were not included on the Board Agenda. Item 7 dealing with Senates’ Business was amended to correspond to the items in the Senates’ Business Report to the Board.

**MOTION 2.1:** Squibb/Tingley “That the Board approve the agenda as amended and the Minutes of April 17, 2008 as circulated.”

CARRIED

3. **Business Arising from Minutes (Open Session)**

There was no business arising from the Minutes of the Open Session.

4. **Graduation and Prize Lists** *(Available for Perusal at the Meeting)*

The Graduation List was available on-line and copies were available for perusal at the meeting.

K. Hamer and J. Fritz presented the Graduation Lists. K. Hamer noted one addition to the list of Saint John students - Minor in Chemistry for Heather Catherine Williams.

J. Fritz noted the following amendments to the list of Fredericton students:
- addition of: Jana Megan Lorene Smith, BSc (Biology) - 3rd Division
- Nicholas Coleman, BScEng (Mechanical) - 2nd Division
- Jonathan Arthur Donald Neilson moved from first division to first class honours.
4. **Graduation and Prize Lists** (cont’d)

   MOTION 4, 1. Passaris/Ryan “That the Board approve the Graduation and Prize Lists as amended.”

   CARRIED

   MOTION 4, 2. Beckett/Bradley “That the Board authorize the Registrars to make changes and additions to the Graduation and Prize Lists between now and 31 August for those who are deemed to have graduated in May 2008, after consultation with the Faculties, Departments or Divisions concerned, and the Dean of Graduate Studies in the case of graduate degrees and prizes, with the approval of the President, and subject to later report to the Senates and the Board.”

   CARRIED

5. **Board Chair’s Report**

   D. Stevenson reminded Board members that UNB hosted the 2008 Conference of the National Association of University Board Chairs and Secretaries (NAUBCS) from April 24 to 27. He indicated that this is the first time UNB has had the honour of hosting NAUBCS and expressed thanks to the University Secretary and his staff for their efforts in making the conference a success. He noted that among the speakers at the conference were UNB’s President John McLaughlin, Past Board Chair David Ganong, and Premier Shawn Graham. The Breakout session for Board Chairs dealt with presidential compensation and was very well received. Other topics discussed during the conference included governance and the role of boards. Attendance for the conference was good and the feedback received from the participants has been very positive.

6. **President’s Report**

   **6.1.1 Year-End Review**

   J. McLaughlin spoke to the progress of the Medical Education program in Saint John. This program will see Dalhousie University’s Medical Degree offered on-site on the Saint John campus. This program will form part of the health sciences research initiative taking place on that campus. He noted that the academic program was agreed to some time ago, and that the remaining logistical details are close to being resolved. He noted that UNB’s working relationship with Dalhousie University continues to be positive. There have been some difficulties related to infrastructure needs and those involved in the initiative are working toward a transition structure that will allow the program to begin operation. He noted that UNB has continued to make it clear that, while we are willing to provide support, we will need to be compensated for the cost of that support. The President expressed his thanks to K. Hamer, J. Johnson, C. Callbeck and others from the Saint John campus who have been very involved in this initiative.

   The big story over the past year has been the Review of Post Secondary Education in New Brunswick. The President noted that he could not yet speak to the specifics of the Report of the Working Group on Post Secondary Education as the Provincial government has not yet released the report or its response. He noted that a response is expected some time in June. He indicated that he has been meeting with both the Premier and Nora Kelly, Deputy Minister of Post Secondary Education, Training and Labour, regularly. He noted that the Premier has indicated his intention to support the plan as proposed. At this time, the Province is looking at how to fund the recommendations.

   Speaking to the Working Group’s report, he noted that the report provides an enabling framework. It speaks to the future of post secondary education and how to get there. The possibilities are exciting, but there will be a cost associated with making changes to the system. Accomplishing the recommendations set out in the Report will require significant investment over the next decade. He indicated that some money will be recovered from outsourcing and shared services.
6. President’s Report (cont’d)

6.1.2 Recent News and Accomplishments (handed out)

J. McLaughlin referred Senators to the Notes from the President which were handed out at the meeting. He highlighted a number of items, as follows:

- Varsity Reds hockey player Rob Hennigar has been named the 2007-08 Canadian Interuniversity Sport male Athlete of the Year. He is the first male representative from Atlantic University Sport to be so honoured.
- Nicole Letourneau, nursing (F) and Canada Research Chair in Healthy Child Development, has been named one of Canada’s Top 40 Under 40 for 2007.
- At the Global Investment Research Challenge in New York City, four Student Investment Fund students, business administration (F), captured first place in the North American championship and finished second overall in the global championship.
- Thierry Chopin, biology (SJ), had his aquaculture research featured on a PBS-broadcast program produced by National Geographic. The episode, Dangerous Catch, is part of a series called Strange Days on Planet Earth.
- John Spray, director of the Planetary and Space Science Centre (F), has received $4 million from Lockheed Martin to establish a high-speed impact laboratory.
- the late Rudolph (Rudy) and Theresa Esterbauer donated $1.75 million in support of the departments of civil and mechanical engineering at UNB.

7. Senates’ Business (handed out - Please note a summary report of Senates’ Business for the May meetings of Senates is provided in sequential order. In addition, the full reports relating to items of Senates’ Business are available from the University Secretary on request. This is an extensive package.)

D. Stevenson reminded the Board that the order of the agenda was changed to correspond to the handout on Senates’ Business.

J. Fritz highlighted items from the Fredericton Senate meeting, noting changes to the admission requirements for the Bachelor of Arts degrees on both campuses, revisions to the guidelines for the quality assurance process, and the report of the Accessibility Committee on improvements being made to the Fredericton campus.

K. Hamer noted the new BBA in Tourism for the Saint John campus and the work of the Academic Planning & Resources Committee on academic planning.

It was noted that Item 7.8 Report of the Professor Emeritus Committee would be considered separately as part of Item 17.

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* See Also item 17.4

**MOTION 7.1:** L. Kealey/P. Lordon “That the Board approve Senates Business from items 7.9 to 7.17 inclusive, excluding 7.12.1, as presented.”

**CARRIED**

8. **Other Business (Open Session)**

There was no other business.

**CLOSED SESSION**