CARLETON UNIVERSITY

Minutes of the 223rd Meeting

of the

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Time: Tuesday, December 22, 1970, at 4 30 p.m.
Place: Senate Room - Administration Building.

PRESENT: Mr. D. A. Golden, Chairman, Mr. J. C. Clarke, Dr. A. D. Dunton, Mr. C. Edwards, Mr. R. Findlay, Professor M. C. Frumhartz, Mr. R. J. Neill, Dean H. H. J. Nesbitt, Professor E. M. Oppenheimer, Mr. H. Soloway, Mr. C. G. Watt. Also present: Mr. J. E. Whenham, Mr. A. B. Larose, Mr. J. K. Kettles, and Mr. D. C. McEown, Secretary.

MINUTES: It was agreed that the minutes of the previous (222nd) meeting be approved as distributed.

PRESIDENT: The Chairman expressed, on behalf of the Board, the Board's congratulations to the President on his recent award of the Companion of the Order of Canada. The Chairman also reported to the Board that the President had been elected as President of the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada.

BUILDING PROGRAMME: It was agreed that the proposed briefing session about the building programme would take place on either January 11 or 12, depending on which date was most suitable for the largest number of members of the Board, and that the session would begin at 1:00 p.m. with the hope that it would be completed by 5:00 p.m.

REPORT OF THE LABOUR NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE: This report, dealing with current negotiations with the Canadian Union of Public Employees is contained in Confidential Appendix A. It was agreed that the report be approved.

APPOINTMENTS, LEAVES, ETC.: It was agreed, upon recommendation of the President, that the academic appointments, leaves, etc., contained in Confidential Appendix B be approved.

STAFF CHANGES: It was agreed, upon recommendation of the Bursar, that the staff changes as presented and which are contained in Confidential Appendix C be approved.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

A report concerning the University's financial position as of October 31, 1970, was presented and is attached as Confidential Appendix D.

MEETING WITH THE COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS:

The President reported that the University had met with the Committee on University Affairs on December 7. He indicated that the University had received a sympathetic hearing about two items. These are the operation of the current formula in respect of the weighting for students in honours programmes in relation to students in majors programmes and the weighting for part-time students. He explained that the present application of the formula is somewhat inequitable for Carleton because its majors programme in the second and third year is exactly the same as its honours programme and yet the weighting is different, whereas other institutions in the province have a similar situation and the application of the weighting system is such that the income generated is more than at Carleton.

He also explained that Carleton, with a very much larger part-time enrolment than other institutions, suffered from the present application of the formula which was approximately 20% less than it should be for part-time students.

He reported that the major concern of the Committee on University Affairs was about the rate of growth of Graduate Studies, particularly because the Committee had the opinion that this growth was being unnaturally inflated in some areas by enrolment of non-Canadian students.

The Chairman reported that he had been present at the meeting with the Committee on University Affairs and that he was pleased with the presentation by the University of its position to the Committee and also indicated that he felt that the Committee had a sympathetic understanding of the points made by the University.

MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS WITH THE COMMITTEE OF PRESIDENTS OF UNIVERSITIES OF ONTARIO:

The President reported that at the conclusion of the meetings that the Committee on University Affairs had with each institution that the Committee on University Affairs had met with the Committee of Presidents of Universities of Ontario and that once again the Committee on University Affairs had raised the question of development of graduate programmes. At that meeting, the chairman, Dr. Wright, had proposed the institution of a quota system for non-Canadian students. The President explained that the spokesman for the Committee of Presidents of Universities of Ontario, in response to this proposal, had objected to it on principle and had suggested an alternate method which would use the device of control on graduate student support which, through its implementation, would achieve much the same end.

The President also indicated that the Committee had expressed some doubt as to the validity of the joint universities' position concerning projected enrolment. It was indicated that the Committee

MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS WITH THE COMMITTEE OF PRESIDENTS OF UNIVERSITIES OF ONTARIO (CONTINUED):

of Presidents had used the enrolment projections developed by the Economic Council of Canada rather than the aggregate enrolment projections of the individual universities which, to the President, were more realistic projections than the ones prepared by the Economic Council.

The President explained that he felt that the Committee of Presidents' position vis-a-vis the Committee's position was weakened because the argument for improved support was based on projections which could be easily questioned.

COMMITTEE OF PRESIDENTS OF UNIVERSITIES OF ONTARIO MEETING WITH THE MINISTER OF UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS:

The President reported that the C.P.U.O. had met with the Minister of University Affairs on the evening prior to its meeting with the Committee on University Affairs and that the Minister had outlined some of the government's concerns with the present development of the universities of Ontario. The most significant of these was the continual problem of financing and the government felt it was still possible and desirable that places be found for all qualified students without the rate of growth of expenditure matching the rate of growth of enrolment because it should be possible for the universities to more effectively utilize their resources. It was reported that the Minister had also expressed concern about such specific matters as the rate of growth of graduate programmes and the problems of non-Canadians within the university system both as faculty and as students.

BURSAR'S REPORT:

Regular Operating Grant Instalment Payment.

It was reported that the University had received two cheques, both in the amount of $738,000, from the Province of Ontario representing provincial government support of operating expenditures in 1970-71. These cheques are the tenth and eleventh of twenty-four instalments.

Debentures.

It was reported that the University had received an advance payment of $825,000 on capital construction projects, and that a debenture had been issued for this amount dated December 15, 1970, in accordance with the approval given by the Board for the creation of debentures for the six-month period ending March 31, 1971, in the amount of $6,000,000.

Supplementary Pension Plan.

It was agreed that the following amendments to the University's Pension Plan be made and that the proposal for a supplementary retirement plan for full-time employees as of December 31, 1970, which is attached as Appendix A be approved:

BURSAR'S REPORT (CONTINUED):

Supplementary Pension Plan (Continued):

Amendment -

Add at end of subsection (d) of Section 9 Contributions:

Except that if a member's contributions exceed the limit allowed by the Department of National Revenue for exemption from taxable income for income tax purposes, such excess shall not be remitted under the Plan but shall be remitted under the Supplementary Retirement Plan of Carleton University and taken from that portion of the contributions to be invested in equities except that if no portion of a member's retirement contributions are, in accordance with the member's choice, allocated to equities, then the sum designated as the required amount for the Supplemental Retirement Plan shall be deducted from the contributor's allocation to the Fixed Dollar Fund and invested in accordance with the Terms of the Supplementary Retirement Plan.

Proposal to establish a Supplementary Retirement Plan -

Purpose:

At present about thirty members of the Retirement Plan are making contributions to the Plan larger than the limit allowed for relief from taxable income and the full retirement income from the plan will be subject to income tax in the normal way. The establishment of a Supplementary Plan is designed to enable these people to avoid double taxation.

Furniture - Arts I Tower.

It was agreed that the recommendation of the Building Advisory Committee concerning the design and purchase of furniture for the Arts I Tower based on the presentations made to the users' sub-committee and in public sessions on December 15 and 16 be approved.

NEXT MEETING: It was agreed that the next meeting would take place on January 25 at 4:30 p.m.

TERMINATION: The meeting terminated at 5:45 p.m.

Mr. D. A. Golden,
Chairman.

Mr. D. C. McEown,
Secretary.