

91st Meeting of the Board of
Governors, August 4, 1955.

MINUTES

of the

NINETY-FIRST MEETING

of the

BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF
CARLETON COLLEGE

Time: Thursday, August 4, 1955, at 5.00 p.m.

Place: The Bank of Canada.

PRESENT:

Mr. J. E. Coyne, Chairman, Mr. V. S. Castledine, Mr. W. M. Connor, Mr. A. A. Crawley, Dr. McGregor Easson, Colonel C. M. Edwards, Mr. C. Fraser Elliott, Mr. C. C. Gibson, Mr. H. R. T. Gill, Mr. K. A. Greene, Mr. C. H. Hulse, Senator Norman P. Lambert, Dr. C. J. Mackenzie, Dr. W. C. Macartney, Mr. A. E. MacRae, and Mr. T. R. Montgomery. Also present: Mr. F. J. Turner.

DEATH OF
DR.

MACODRUM:

The Chairman of the Board reported that this special meeting of the Board had been called because of the severe loss to the College resulting from the death of its President, Dr. M. M. MacOdrum, on August 1.

The following resolution was un-nimously carried:-

"Murdoch Maxwell MacOdrum gave his life to the building of an educational institution in Ottawa worthy of the nation's capital. For eight years he carried on the work begun by Carleton's first president, the late Dr. H. M. Tory.

Placing primary emphasis on assembling a staff of high quality and concentrating secondly on a carefully chosen library, he had brought Carleton College to a point where buildings suitable to his high hopes were being planned.

His interest in the intellectual and social growth of graduates and students alike was continuous and keen, and his one real regret with each advance in the College's progress was that it became more and more difficult for him to know intimately all the young people with whom he

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came in contact. However, engrossed as he had to be in administrative problems of immediate importance, his office door was always open to his students.

Severely buffeted by fate in his final years and with the knowledge that the activities demanded of him jeopardized his very life, Dr. MacOdrum carried, purposefully and pleasantly, the responsibilities of citizen, scholar and administrator.

Deprived, as he was, of seeing the achievement of the next carefully planned steps in the development of Carleton College, he yet would be content to know that the foundations which he laid were firm. The continuing growth of the college for which he laboured will be an enduring monument to him."

It was agreed that the Chancellor of the College should later, by letter, convey this resolution to the late President's daughter, Miss Morna MacOdrum. It was agreed to delay to the next meeting of the Board consideration of the possibility of continuing for a period the late President's salary after the date of his death.

MESSAGES OF
SYMPATHY:

Messages of sympathy from Memorial University, Sir George Williams College, Prince of Wales College, the University of Western Ontario, and others were read to the Board. It was agreed that these messages of sympathy be relayed to the press together with the official resolution of the Board for publication Friday.

BY-LAW:

On a motion by Mr. Gibson, seconded by Mr. MacRae, the following addition to the By-Laws of the Board was approved:-

"In the event of a vacancy in the office of President, or in the absence or incapacity of the President, and in the absence of any other action by the Board of Governors, the Dean of Arts shall be ex officio Acting President."

EXPENSES OF
THE ACTING
PRESIDENT:

It was agreed that the Acting President have the right to reimbursement for all expenses associated with the office.

NOTIFICA-
TION:

It was agreed that Mr. Turner, on the authorization of the Chair-
man of the Board, notify members of the College Faculty that Dr.
James A. Gibson was Acting President in accordance with the
By-Laws and that this announcement be given to the press for
Saturday.


COMMITTEE
OF
SELECTION:

It was agreed that a Committee of the Board be named to recom-
mend a permanent appointment to the office of President. It was
moved by Mr. MacRae, seconded by Mr. Connor, that this
Committee consist of Mr. Coyne, Dr. Mackenzie, Dr. Steacie,
Senator Lambert, and Mr. Elliott. Carried.

ADJOURN-
MENT:

The meeting adjourned at 6.10 p.m.

C. C. Gibson,
Secretary.


J. E. Coyne,
Chairman.