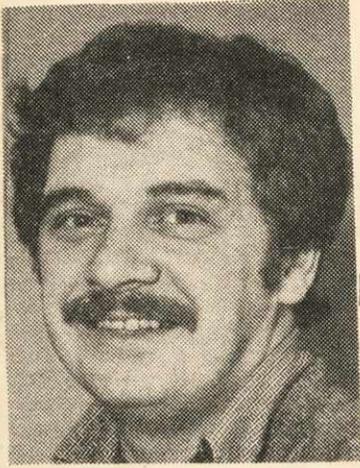


Board of Governors



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The Board of Governors of Dalhousie is the body that has the final say in virtually all matters pertaining to the university community. The Board of Governors has veto powers over all Senate and Faculty legislation, is responsible for all the financial dealings of the University, the purchase and sale of all property, the setting of salaries for all university employees, as well as negotiations with the provincial government. It is answerable only to the Minister of Education, with appointments of Board members made by the provincial cabinet, on recommendation of the Board.

Aside from the four student positions the 42 member board is composed of the president of the University, Alumni Representatives and, for the most part, prominent members of the legal, banking and industrial community of Nova Scotia and Canada. The Board of Governors has 11 standing committees.

The on-going problems of financial restraint, rising tuition costs, user fees and deteriorating student services such as library holdings and computer availability, to name a few, are not going to be solved easily or quickly. What must be forthcoming from the student representatives on the Board is well researched, realistic options that reflect the needs and views of the student body.

Board meetings are confidential, are held in camera and thus are not open to non-members. This position presents difficulties for student members in informing the student body of Board decisions. However, the need for confidentiality in areas such as staff evaluations and financial negotiations is essential to the efficient operation of the Board.

In dealing with financial restraint it is my viewpoint that the administration has at times lost sight of the fact that students cannot, without undue hardship, bear a much greater share of the financial load. The situation is rapidly developing to the point where only financially well off (independently wealthy) students can even consider attendance at university — the door is now effectively closed to low-income persons.

The cost of housing, books, food and clothing must be considered along with tuition costs when considering the financial input of students. The Board of Governors must recognize this serious deterioration in university accessibility. The student representatives, student union, and all students must make all possible effort to ensure that Dalhousie does not become closed to the majority of citizens who want and deserve a university education.



In Literature, As In Love, We Are Astonished At What Is Chosen By Others.

— André Maurois

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Dalhousie University Bookstore*

If potential were everything in life, Suzanne would have it made.

All her life Suzanne has adored animals. So no one was surprised when she announced the opening of her very own Animal Shelter.

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Suzanne's become quite the

social butterfly. Everything she does, she overdoes, including drinking beyond her limit too often. She doesn't realise there are equally good reasons for self-discipline now as there were when she was just starting out.

Suzanne's at the crossroads. She can protect her future by opting for a moderate lifestyle, including the sensible enjoyment of beer, wine or spirits. Or she can gamble.

If you were Suzanne, which would you choose?

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