6. INFORMATION/COMMUNICATION

6.1.1 BCGEU

The Chair conveyed regrets from Acting Constituency Group Leader Catherine Elson, who had conveyed an expectation that the BCGEU would once again have Constituency Group Leader representation at the College Board table by Fall 2008.

6.1.2 DCFA

Susan Briggs advised that she would resume submission of reports to the Board by October 2008. The Chair invited questions; there were none.

6.1.3 DSU

6.1.3a) Report – The Chair noted that DSU Treasurer Geoffery Lenahan had, shortly before the meeting, conveyed Constituency Group Leader Hassan Chaudhry's regrets.

6.1.3b) Request: Letter of Agreement – Introducing himself as the Treasurer of the Douglas Students' Union (DSU), Geoffrey Lenahan thanked Board members for the opportunity to speak. He reported that the DSU had been pushing its Receiver-Manager since February 2008 to be removed from such leadership and been rewarded, in that it had been able to present its latest audited financial statements at its March 12, 2008 Annual General Meeting. He stated that the DSU could have gone to court at that point to remove itself from receivership but that it realised it needed someone to run its accounting matters. Mr. Lenahan noted that, as of May 2008, the Receiver-Manager was there only to cut cheques and provide guidance on financial management; day-to-day operations have been left up to the students and staff.

Mr. Lenahan said that the DSU had moved forward more in the last four months than it had in the previous twenty-four; it had hired an employee with three years of Not-For-Profit experience to begin work on September 9, 2008. He reported that this person is working on her Level Five Accounting and that the Receiver-Manager has agreed to a contract for the University of Victoria to do the DSU payroll if the new employee hasn't attained Level Five standing by her start date.

Mr. Lenahan stated that was now time to remove the DSU from receivership as it is in compliance

- 7. 7.1 **REPORTS**
- **BOARD CHAIR**

- **7. REPORTS**, cont'd
- **7.3 PRESIDENT**, cont'd
- **7.3.4** Institutional Enrolment Plan: 2008/09 This comprehensive report had already been submitted to the Ministry of Advanced Education and Labour Market Development and was provided for information purposes.

8. BOARD COMMITTEES AND LIAISON

- 8.1 Finance Committee
- **8.1.1 Planned Activities** Mary Hemmingsen and Paul Wates reported on the Finance Committee's work, which includes progress on proposed revisions to the committee's Terms of Reference (TOR). The committee has been endeavouring to meet with DSU Receiver-Manager Marne Jensen for an update on progress in terms of compliance.
- 8.2 Human Resources Committee
- **8.2.1** Planned Activities This committee planned to meet the following week.
- **8.3 Policy and By-Law Review Committee** Ad hoc committee Chair Ann Kitching explained that the proposals tabled in June 2008 would be given further consideration by the Board at its September meeting, when all committee members would be in attendance.
- **8.4 Douglas College Foundation Liaison** Cathie Gibson reported that the Foundation's portfolio is now valued at \$10 million, up 8.5% from last year, and on its recent, well received Annual General Meeting. She encouraged all Board members to attend the upcoming *Class Act* and *Light the Lake* fundraisers. The Chair commended Hazel Postma for the Foundation's success.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GENERAL INFORMATION

The Chair noted the reports and media clippings included in Board members' packages.

10. ISSUES ARISING FROM BOARD MEETING – There were no such issues.

11. BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

Board members reported on recent activities. Mary Hemmingsen conveyed regrets for the September and November Board meetings, given an upcoming executive development program.

12. DATE AND LOCATION OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held at the New Westminster Campus, beginning at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 18, 2008.

13. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.				
CHAIR	PRESIDENT			