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Betty Sims elected chair of board of governors at Laurier

Waterloo (May 28) — Betty Sims, president and general manager of Chicopee Manufacturing Ltd. in Kitchener, was elected chair of the board of governors at Wilfrid Laurier University today.

Sims, who lives in Kitchener, is a representative of the community-at-large. As a board member from 1987 to 1993, she has served as treasurer and vice-chair. In 1989, she received the Laurier Outstanding Business Leader Award.

Jerry Young, president of grocery and food service products for Borden Company Ltd., was elected vice-chair. The Oakville resident, who represents the community-at-large, has also served as treasurer.

Jim Beingessner, president and chief executive officer of B & W Heat Treating Ltd., will serve as treasurer. The Kitchener resident is a representative of the community-at-large. He was the recipient of the Laurier Outstanding Business Leader Award for 1992.

Kathryn Robinson, partner in the law firm of Goodman & Goodman Barristers and Solicitors, was elected secretary. The Caledon resident is a representative of the community-at-large.

Welcomed to the board were Lynda Carter, Jeremy Kmet, Russell Rodrigo, and Roger Salhany.

Carter, who is employed at Sunlife Assurance Company, graduated from Laurier with a bachelor of business administration degree in 1983. She will represent alumni.

Jeremy Kmet, entering the third year of the honors business program, will serve as a student representative. He has been a leader in the student foot patrol program and worked as a student ambassador.

Rodrigo, chair of the department of chemistry at Laurier, has been appointed as a faculty-at-large representative. Rodrigo, who was the university research professor in 1992, served on the board from 1975 to 1978 and from 1987 to 1992.

Salhany, a judge of the Ontario Court of Justice since 1991, was appointed by the lieutenant-governor in council. He has lectured at the University of Windsor law school and for the Federation of Law Societies and the Ontario Provincial Police. The Kitchener resident is the author of six books on criminal law.

The 33-member board of governors is the governing body of the university.