



## MEET THE GOVERNORS

# Dave Moore

**D**ave Moore was appointed a Lay Governor of the Notary Foundation Board by the Attorney General in June 2008.

Dave is the Director of Licensing Education for the Real Estate Division at the Sauder School of Business at the University of British Columbia. The Real Estate Division administers licensing courses on behalf of the Real Estate Council of BC, as well as many other credit and noncredit real estate programs.

Until the introduction of the Applied Legal Studies program at SFU, the Real Estate Division was also involved in various capacities with the delivery of the Notary Preparatory Course.

Dave briefly worked as a lawyer in Richmond prior to joining the Real Estate Division. He has taught real estate law for the licensing students at UBC and participates in many real estate industry and education-related initiatives and committees. *The Scrivener* asked Dave to tell us a bit about being a Governor of the Notary Foundation of BC.

"When the Notary Foundation's Executive Officer Wayne Braid contacted me about appointment to the Board of Governors, I was immediately interested. At that point, I had been working with The Society of Notaries Public and the Notary Preparatory Course for a number of years. Through my role as Director of the Licensing Education programs at the Real Estate Division and my



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membership in the Law Society of BC, I was familiar with the benefits that legislated philanthropic foundations bring to British Columbians. I welcomed the chance to be involved.

"At only my second Board meeting, in November 2008, I had the good luck to be involved in a Strategic Planning session for the Foundation Governors. In addition to the Governors and the Executive Officer of the Notary Foundation, that meeting was attended by the Executive Director of the Law Foundation Wayne Robertson. Mr. Robertson explained how the Law Foundation administers their grant and project funding and we were able to incorporate his information into our planning for the Notary Foundation. It was an inspiring session that helped us focus the Foundation's funding on the areas of greatest need in BC communities.

"Participation in the Notary Foundation hasn't been without its challenges, however. The Foundation's granting activities are funded by the interest paid on clients' funds when they are held in trust by a BC Notary Public. Over the time I have been a Governor, the interest rates have remained historically low, both on funds held in trust and on the Foundation's invested reserve funds. That has limited the Foundation's ability to fund many worthy applications. My one regret is we weren't able to fund as much as we would have liked.

"I believe our policy of concentrating funding where possible on helping to build the ongoing capacity of our applicants, rather than on funding their core operations, has leveraged the funds that have been available.

"Grant recipients are required to report to the Foundation on their completed projects; many take the time to send progress updates and even report in person. I have always appreciated the feedback because it emphasizes all the positive work made possible by the Foundation's funding.

"As my term comes to an end and I enter what I expect will be my last year as a Governor, I commend the commitment and dedication of the Executive Officer and all the Foundation staff and of course my fellow Governors. Through their hard work, we have developed and implemented the Notary Foundation Vision: Building Better Communities, One Grant at a Time!" ▲