

I am pleased to accept the nomination to sit on the UFV Board of Governors. I will support the mission of the University of the Fraser Valley, do my best to serve the public interest, and represent UFV in the broader community.

I believe my experience, skills, and personal attributes will allow me to contribute and add value to the work of the Board of Governors. I am particularly interested in the Board's role in formulating policy; two specific aspects of university policy are:

- Administration, faculty and staff share a commitment to UFV's public mandate, to our strategic direction and, most importantly, to our students.
- One way universities differ from industry is that faculty work requires a level of autonomy, freedom, and dedication not typically seen in industry.

Sean Parkinson

1. Degrees

B.A., Economics, Simon Fraser University, 1995.

M.A., Economics, University of Western Ontario, 1996.

2. Occupation

Instructor, Economics Department, University of the Fraser Valley.

3. Offices held at UFV

Academic Standards Committee

Arts Curriculum Committee

Faculty-at-large, Board of Governors

Library Advisory Committee

UFV-FSA Secretary-Treasurer

4. Publications

Richard Martin & Steeve Mongrain & Sean Parkinson, 2004. "**Severance Payments and Unemployment Insurance: A Commitment Issue**," Journal of Public Economic Theory, Association for Public Economic Theory, vol. 6(4), pages 593-606, October.