



BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING – PUBLIC

4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, February 19, 2020
Room AA317 SMED Boardroom, 3rd Floor – Heritage Hall
1301 16 Avenue NW, Calgary, Alberta

MINUTES

Committee Members:

Scott Thon, Chair
Ross, David
Annesley, Janet
Bailey, Cameron (*t/c*)
Barry, Stephen
Hodgins, Cameron
Fleming, Tonya
Jarvis, Patrick
Keshavjee, Mo
Langlois, Sophia
May, Peter
Morstad, Ryan
Murphy, Lara
Papic, Matko
Park, Melinda
Raju, Rigel

Resource:

Daykin, Roy, CFO & VP, Corporate Services
Donaldson, Brad, VP Academic
Magotiaux, Heather, VP, External Relations
Tom Bornhorst, VP, Corp Development & Applied Research
Ruptash, Tracy, EA to the Board of Governors

Guests:

PRELIMINARIES

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:11 p.m.

Moved: M. Papic
Seconded: L. Murphy
CARRIED BGP200219-01

2. REVIEW AGENDA

The agenda was reviewed as presented.

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No conflicts of interest were declared.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION:

THAT the Board of Governors approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

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Moved: P. May
Seconded: P. Jarvis
CARRIED BGP200219-02

REPORTS

5. CHAIR'S REPORT

The Chair provided a verbal update.

The Board continue discussions with the Minister, Advanced Education on the financial position and direction of the government. Overall, meetings and discussions has been productive.

The institutions annual report was submitted and received by the Ministry, no comments regarding the report have been provided.

The Board were advised that the annual International Women in Trades conference is being held on March 9, 2020 with Board member Lara Murphy hosting the event.

6. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Report received.

The President and CEO provided a verbal summary of the report. Key highlights included; the Skills to Job Task Force continues to develop a process report for the Ministry, the report is expected to be available in June 2020, the institutions pandemic plan is in the process of being updated in light of global health concerns. The plan is internally focused however, discussions with other post-secondary institutions have been undertaken for alignment, and the new strategic plan is well underway and anticipated for release in April 2020, the board will be undertaking the final review at their strategic planning session.

It was further reported that the federal budget will be announced in the coming weeks, opportunities for increased funding to applied research is key area of focus for the institution.

In addition, the provincial 2020/2021 budget is expected in late February, no major changes are anticipated.

The Government of Alberta has delivered its new funding model for post-secondary institutions. Discussions to review the model will be scheduled in the coming weeks. The new funding model is anticipated to be in place before the new fiscal year.

The Ministry has seen significant changes with the departure and appointment of key personnel.

7. SAITSA PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Report received.

The Saitsa President provided a summary of the report.

Highlights include; the President reported an increase in the number of registered student volunteers over a 3-month period, it was also reported student concern's hearing and emergency food bags also increased over the same time period. Saitsa has been actively collecting student survey data with key themes identified, and discussions regarding the universal transit pass are ongoing. Saitsa continues to work with Academic Council on a fall reading week with over 40 schools across Canada surveyed. It was further reported that the association has added a new vaccine to its health and dental plan.

NEW BUSINESS

8. ACADEMIC COUNCIL

The Vice President, Academic, Brad Donaldson provided an overview of the Academic Council meetings.

(a-b) Academic Council Minutes

Minutes November 12, 2019 and December 10, 2019 were received.

The Vice President, Academic provided a summary of the minutes, highlights include; approval of new diplomas in Ophthalmology and Optician programming, this is an avenue that has been unexplored as the institution continues to branch out and expand revenue sources. President Ross attended the meeting to provide updates.

Council received an update on the four priorities set out in September; the Capstone Collaboration, Fall Reading Week, Diversity Inclusion and Academic Misconduct and Integrity.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Board of Governors - TBD in the SMED Boardroom MA317, Heritage Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:36 p.m.