



## BOARD OF GOVERNORS PUBLIC MEETING

Wednesday, March 29, 2019

**2:00 PM – 4:00 PM**

CN Boardroom, Clock Tower Building

### MINUTES

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#### **Board Present:**

Jim Thomson (Chair), Barbara Berger (Vice-Chair), Tracy Christianson, Brett Fairbairn (President and Vice-Chancellor), Sukh Gill, Katy Gottfriedson, Devin Griffin, Marilyn McLean, Hafiz Rahman, Michelle Stanford, Charlie Wyse, Eric Youd

#### **Board Regrets:**

Lillian Kwan, Nathan Matthew

#### **Executive and Others Present:**

Christine Bovis-Crossen (Provost and Vice-President Academic), Matt Milovick (Vice-President Administration and Finance), John Sparks (General Counsel and Corporate Secretary), Paul Manhas (Associate Vice-President, Finance), Charlene Myers (Manager, University Governance), Desiree Judd (University Governance Assistant)

#### **Guests:**

Sheila Blackstock (Lecturer, School of Nursing), Lucille Gnanasihamany (Associate Vice-President, Marketing & Communications)

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#### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:58 p.m. and introduced new Board Member Sukh Gill.

#### **2. TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

The Chair asked the President to perform the territorial acknowledgment. Brett Fairbairn acknowledged TRU's Kamloops campus is situated on the traditional and unceded lands of the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc within Secwépemc'ulucw, the traditional territory of the Secwépemc people.

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### 3. TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION SPIRIT BEARS

- a. Spirit Bear Essentials: Honoring the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) Calls to Action and Jordan's Principle

Christine Bovis-Crossen introduced Sheila Blackstock, Faculty of Nursing and the Truth and Reconciliation Spirit Bears, Kenkéknem and Ckenmíím'elt. S. Blackstock gave a presentation on the Spirit Bears and how they bear witness to insure the TRC Calls to Action and Jordan's Principle are enacted and upheld. A link to the presentation was circulated in the agenda package.

### 4. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURES

No Board members declared conflicts of interest.

### 5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

*On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the agenda be adopted as circulated.*

### 6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Minutes of February 13, 2019

*On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Board meeting of February 13, 2019 be approved as circulated.*

### 7. BOARD CHAIR'S REPORT

- a. Board Committee Appointments and Chairs

Board Chair Jim Thomson reported that the following members are appointed to fill Board Committee vacancies:

- i. **Finance Committee**

Sukh Gill  
Marilyn McLean  
Brett Fairbairn  
Devin Griffin  
Michelle Stanford  
Charlie Wyse

- ii. **Governance and Human Resources Committee**

Lillian Kwan  
Marilyn McLean

- iii. **Audit Committee**  
Sukh Gill  
Tracy Christianson

- b. Appointments of Governors to Non-Board Committees

- i. **Advisory Committee on Investments**  
Hafiz Rahman

- ii. **Foundation Board**  
Tracy Christianson

- c. Mandate Letter

The Chair discussed the Mandate Letter circulated in the agenda package.

*On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the Mandate Letter be adopted as circulated.*

The Board of Governors members signed the Mandate Letter.

## 8. **REPORT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

- a. 2019-2020 Domestic tuition and ancillary fees

S. Gill reported that Notice of Motion had been served on February 13, 2019 for the 2019-2020 Domestic tuition and ancillary fees and that no comments had been received.

*On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the 2019-2020 Domestic tuition and ancillary fees be adopted as circulated.*

- b. 2019-2020 Budget

C. Bovis-Crossen and M. Milovick presented the Budget, a copy of which was circulated in the agenda package.

*On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the 2019-2020 Budget be adopted as circulated.*

- c. Advisory Committee on Investments

M. Milovick presented the report on the Advisory Committee on Investments that was included in the agenda package.

d. Upper College Heights Loan

M. Milovick reported that the Upper College Heights loan that was held by the bank has been paid off and the Government now holds a low interest loan for TRU.

**9. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

a. Written reports from the Office of the President

i. February 2019

President Fairbairn discussed some of the highlights reported in the President's Report from February 2019 and March 2019, copies of which were circulated with the agenda package.

b. "Statement of Academic Freedom" Working Committee

President Fairbairn reported that a working committee has been established and discussed the message on Creating a Statement of Academic Freedom that was circulated in the agenda package.

c. Open Governance Initiative update

i. Envision TRU

President Fairbairn discussed Envision TRU and the process on how to participate in building a new vision for TRU. [Tru.ca/envision](http://Tru.ca/envision) is the hub for the visioning process. A copy of the correspondence sent to students and staff regarding Envision TRU was circulated in the agenda package.

d. Revisions to Signing Authority Policy Regulations

President Fairbairn presented BRD 2-1 Signing Authority Policy revisions, a redlined copy of which was circulated in the agenda package.

*On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the BRD 2-1 Signing Authority Policy be adopted as circulated.*

**10. SENATE REPORT**

a. Revisions to 2019-2020 Academic Schedule and Important Dates

B. Fairbairn presented the Revisions to 2019-2020 Academic Schedule and Important Dates document circulated in the agenda package.

*On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the Revisions to 2019-2020 Academic Schedule and Important Dates be adopted as circulated.*

## **11. REPORTS AND UPDATES**

### a. Capital Update

#### i. Nursing and Population Health Building

M. Milovick reported on the Nursing and Population Health Building. A copy of the dashboard report was circulated in the agenda package.

#### ii. Summer Road Work

M. Milovick reported on the summer road work that would be taking place from May 1 through the end of August 2019. A copy of his report was circulated in the agenda package.

#### iii. Capital Planning Projects Advisory Group Update

M. Milovick gave an update from the Capital Projects Planning Advisory Group. A copy of the memo was circulated in the agenda package.

### b. Accreditation Update

C. Bovis-Crossen reported to the Board that the NWCCU evaluation team would be on campus April 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019. She noted that the evaluation team would be meeting with Faculty, Students, and staff. Copies of the evaluation team biographies were circulated in the agenda package.

## **12. PRESENTATION**

### a. Winter enrolment report

D Crespin-Mueller presented the winter enrolment report. A copy of the report was circulated in the agenda package.

## **13. NEXT BOARD MEETING**

- a. The next Board meeting is scheduled for Friday, June 14, 2019

## **14. TERMINATION OF MEETING**

There being no further agenda items, the Chair declared the meeting terminated.