

# BOARD OF GOVERNORS PUBLIC MEETING

Friday, October 7, 2016 12:30-3:00 PM CN Boardroom, Clock Tower Building

# MINUTES

## **Board Present:**

Paul Dagg (Chair), Jim Thomson (Vice-Chair), Alan Shaver (President and Vice-Chancellor), Rob Anderson, Barbara Berger, Sandra Blair, Humayra Haq, Rick Heney, Hoberly Hove, Bonnie Leonard, Hafiz Rahman, Gagandeep Singh Waraich, Guenter Weckerle, Eric Youd

## **Board Regrets:**

Wally Oppal

## **Executive and Others Present:**

Matt Milovick (Vice-President Administration and Finance), Christopher Seguin (Vice-President Advancement), John Sparks (General Counsel and Corporate Secretary), Paul Manhas (Associate Vice-President, Finance), Charlene Myers (Manager, University Governance; Recording)

Christine Adam (Dean of Students) — present for agenda item 7.c. only; Finlay Sinclair (TRU Community Corporation) — present for agenda item 7.d. only; Diana Skoglund (Marketing and Communications); Jared MacArthur (The Omega); Alex McLellan (TRUSU); Angelo Iacobucci (Radio NL)

Recognition of Excellence: S. Vermeulen (Associate Dean, Faculty of Arts), Natalie Paul and Cécile Tucker

# 1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m., and announced that it was being live-streamed to those who wished to watch it online. He introduced new Governors Humayra Haq and Gagandeep Singh Waraich.

# 2. ELECTION OF BOARD CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

Outgoing Chair P. Dagg explained that it was the Board Chair's responsibility to nominate the Chair and Vice Chair, adding that they must be selected from among the external members of the Board. P. Dagg nominated J. Thomson for the position of Chair and B. Berger for the position of Vice Chair.

As there were no further nominations for either position, J. Thomson was acclaimed as Chair and B. Berger was acclaimed as Vice-Chair.

#### J. Thomson took the Chair after P. Dagg relinquished it.

J. Thomson thanked P. Dagg for his service to the Board, which was met with applause from Board members.

## 3. RECOGNITION OF EXCELLENCE

a. Annual Scholarly Psychology Conference

S. Vermeulen introduced the students, Natalie Paul and Cécile Tucker, who then provided a slide presentation highlighting their participation in conferences in New York and Boston. The students were presented with a Recognition of Excellence certificate by the Board Chair.

#### 4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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

#### 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Minutes of May 27, 2016

On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of May 27, 2016 be approved as circulated.

# 6. REPORT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

J. Thomson delivered the report from the Finance Committee, inviting M. Milovick to speak to the agenda items.

a. Financial Information Act

M. Milovick noted that this report is submitted on an annual basis and outlined the information provided within it.

On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the Board of Governors approves the Financial Information Act reporting for submission to government as provided.

b. Q2 Appendix C & Q2 Government Forecast to June 30, 2016

M. Milovick indicated that approval of the Forecast is a legislated requirement. He added that he was also seeking approval for the Q1 report, off which the Q2 forecast builds.

On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the Board of Governors approves the Q1 report and the Q2 Government forecast.

## 7. REPORTS AND UPDATES

a. Accreditation update

A. Shaver drew Board members' attention to the letter from the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU). He outlined TRU's current status as a candidate for accreditation with the NWCCU, as well as the timelines for the next report and site visit.

b. 2016 Fall Enrolment update

M. Milovick reported on enrolment, stating that this enrolment report was a snapshot only, based on data that are currently available.

c. Sexual violence policy update

C. Adam provided Board members with an update on the status of the Sexual Violence policy. She outlined the next steps in the approval process.

d. TRU Community Corporation update

M. Milovick spoke about the Request for Proposals for "The Reach," and then asked F. Sinclair to provide further information. F. Sinclair stated that TRU has been the subject of a great deal of positive discussion around the country since the RFP has gone out.

e. Industrial Trades and Technology Centre Project update

M. Milovick updated the Board on this project, displaying a map of where the Centre will be built. A. Shaver added that the building was funded by TRU and the federal and provincial governments.

f. Road naming update

M. Milovick stated that TRU's "900 McGill Road" address is not ideal for people trying to find locations on campus. Thus, the roads on campus are being named and the buildings are being numbered, as outlined in the material that was provided with the agenda package. M. Milovick expects these new addresses to take effect in the spring of 2017, at which time signage will be updated.

g. Capital Projects Planning Process update

M. Milovick provided Board members with an update on the capital projects planning process, noting the establishment of the Capital Projects Planning Advisory Group.

h. Budget 2017/18 – Process and Timelines

M. Milovick reported that the budget context is typically presented to the University community in January, but he and C. Bovis-Cnossen decided it would be better to do so at the beginning of the budget cycle. The Budget Context will therefore be presented at the Budget Committee of Senate in October, then to Senate, and to the Board in December. The Budget Town Hall meeting will take place in the second or third week of January, and the final draft of the budget will be presented to the Board at the March Board meeting.

i. Budget Letter

M. Milovick indicated that the budget letter, a copy of which was provided in the agenda package, was for the information of the Board. He added that the letter is posted on the government's website.

j. Occupational Health and Safety Quarterly Report

M. Milovick highlighted some information in the report. He reminded Board members that TRU had participated in an active shooter training exercise in May 2015. Subsequently, employees are being provided with active threat training.

## 8. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

a. Written report from the Office of the President, September 2016

A. Shaver commented on elements of his report, highlighting a number of grants, gifts, and awards totaling approximately \$1.7M.

b. Open Governance Initiative update

A. Shaver informed Board members of the activities which have taken place to date in accordance with the Open Governance Initiative, which include live-streaming of governance body meetings, Town Hall and Faculty Council meetings, and the upcoming Town Hall meeting on the Budget.

A. Shaver acknowledged the contributions of the outgoing Board Chair, P. Dagg, and thanked P. Dagg for his support for TRU.

## 9. SENATE REPORT — A. Shaver

A. Shaver noted that web links to supporting documentation for the proposed new programs were in the memorandum included with the agenda package, and that Senate was recommending the programs to the Board for approval.

a. New Program, Applied Sustainable Ranching

On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the Board of Governors approves the new program, Applied Sustainable Ranching, as proposed.

b. New Program, Post-Baccalaureate Diploma in Communities, Cultures and Societies

On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the Board of Governors approves the new program, Post-Baccalaureate Diploma in Communities, Cultures and Societies, as proposed.

c. New Program, Post-Baccalaureate Diploma in Power, Politics and Justice

On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the Board of Governors approves the new program, Post-Baccalaureate Diploma in Power, Politics and Justice, as proposed.

## 10. BOARD CHAIR'S REPORT

a. Confirmation of Committee Chairs and Appointments

J. Thomson explained that, in accordance with the Board manual, appointments of Board Committee members and Chairs are approved by the Board on the recommendation of the Chair. He proposed that Carol Laberge, although not formally a Board member until November 24, be appointed as the Board's representative on the Capital Projects Planning Advisory Group.

On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that, on the recommendation of the Board Chair, the appointments of Committee Chairs and members be approved as follows:

<u>Finance Committee</u> Rick Heney – Chair

<u>Capital Projects Planning Advisory Group</u> Carol Laberge

J. Thomson stated that the departure of outgoing Board members from the Board will create vacancies on the Governance and Human Resources Committee, the Environmental Sustainability Advisory Committee, and the Advisory Committee on Investments. He added that there would also be a position for a Board representative on the TRU Community Corporation Board of Directors, and asked Board members to let him know if they are interested in serving on any of these bodies.

b. Acknowledgment of outgoing student Board members

J. Thomson thanked P. Dagg and H. Hove for their service to the Board. He also proposed that the Board approve Certificates of Recognition for outgoing student Board members, in accordance with the policy on Recognition of Board Members.

On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the Board recognizes outgoing Board members Eunice Aniogbe and Kenna Sim with Certificates of Recognition.

# 11. CORRESPONDENCE

A. Shaver provided, for the information of Board members, correspondence from the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities and a Report from the Office of the Ombudsperson.

## 12. PRESENTATION

M. Milovick delivered a presentation on the Educational Consulting Services Space Utilization Analysis, a copy of which was included with the agenda package. Discussion ensued.

#### 13. NEXT BOARD MEETING

Board members were advised that the next Board meeting is scheduled for Friday, December 9, 2016.

#### 14. ADJOURNMENT

On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.