



BOARD OF GOVERNORS PUBLIC MEETING

Friday, February 11, 2022
1:00 PM

Mountain Room, 3rd Floor, Campus Activity Centre

MINUTES

Board members Present:

Marilyn McLean (Chair), Nathan Matthew, Brett Fairbairn, Adam Burke, Tracy Christianson, Hee-Young Chung, Hasnat Dewan, Jim Hamilton, Jasmine Haskell, Kathy Humphrey, Lillian Kwan

Regrets:

Katy Gottfriedson, Bhavika Jain, Kathy Kendall, Matt Milovick (Vice-President Administration and Finance), Brian Daly (Vice-President, University Relations)

Absent:

Jimmy Lulua

Executive and Others Present:

Donna Murnaghan (Provost and Vice-President, Academic), Baihua Chadwick (Vice-President, International), John Sparks (General Counsel and Corporate Secretary), Yvette Laflamme (Associate Vice-President, Finance), Charlene Myers (Manager, University Governance), Lynda Worth (University Governance Coordinator)

Guests:

Michael Bluhm (Associate Vice-President Student Enrolment and University Registrar), Gregory Anderson (Dean, Faculty of Science), Sheila Blackstock (Assistant Professor, School of Nursing)

1. CALL TO ORDER

M. McLean, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

2. TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Marilyn McLean, board chair, acknowledged that Thompson Rivers University campuses are on the traditional lands of the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc (Kamloops campus) and the T'exelc (Williams Lake campus) within Secwépemc'ulucw, the traditional and unceded territory of the Secwépemc. She added that our region also extends into the territories of the St'át'imc, Nlaka'pamux, Nuxalk, Tsilhqot'in, Dakelh, and Syilx peoples.

She also acknowledged the discovery of 93 potential burial sites on the lands of the St. Joseph's Mission in Williams Lake, the site of a former residential school, and spoke about TRU's response to this announcement.

3. RECOGNITION OF EXCELLENCE

D. Murnaghan introduced Dr. Sheila Blackstock ([Nursing faculty member voted onto national board](#)) and Dr. Greg Anderson ([Science dean recognized for work as co-founder of public safety institute](#)) as they received the board's Recognition of Excellence.

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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

5. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURES

No governors declared conflicts of interest.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Minutes of December 3, 2021

*On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Board meeting of December 3, 2021 be approved as circulated.*

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

a. Proposed Policy Revision: ED 13-0 Semester Schedules

B. Fairbairn introduced this proposed policy revision, for which notice of motion was served on December 3, 2021, and then asked D. Murnaghan to provide background, which she did. D. Murnaghan also noted that Senate had recommended approval of these proposed revisions to this policy. She then asked M. Bluhm to speak to the motion. Discussion ensued. A governor questioned how the Wrestling Day municipal holiday in Williams Lake might impact the schedule. D. Murnaghan responded that this should be reviewed in terms of potential impact on the schedule.

*On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the revisions to policy ED 13-0 Semester Schedules be approved as circulated.*

8. REPORT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

K. Humphrey, chair of the Finance Committee, delivered the committee's report.

a. Proposed International Tuition Fee increase

K. Humphrey noted that the Finance Committee was recommending approval of the proposed international tuition fee increase. She added that notice of motion had been served on December 3, 2021.

*On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the board approves that international tuition fees for all programs and courses be increased by 4.7% for the 2022-2023 academic year only.*

b. Third Quarter Results

K. Humphrey noted that the results, which were circulated with the agenda package, were for information.

c. Notice of Motion

- i. 2022-2023 Domestic tuition fees
- ii. 2022-2023 Other fees

K. Humphrey noted that the Finance Committee was serving notice of motion for the 2022-2023 domestic tuition and other fees, to be considered by the board at their next meeting.

9. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

a. President's Report to the Board

The president drew governors' attention to several matters in his written report, a copy of which was circulated with the agenda package.

b. President's Reports to Senate

Links to the president's reports to senate for December 13, 2021 and January 24, 2022 were included on the agenda, for information.

10. SENATE REPORT

a. New Graduate Program: Master of Nursing, Nurse Practitioner

B. Fairbairn noted that, at its meeting on December 13, 2021, senate recommended that the board approve the new graduate program for the Master of Nursing, Nurse Practitioner. He noted that Dean Srivastava was present to respond to questions or concerns. She provided additional information on the program.

*On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the board approves the new graduate program: Master of Nursing, Nurse Practitioner, as circulated.*

11. REPORTS AND UPDATES

a. Office of Safety and Emergency Management Quarterly Report, Fall 2021

D. Murnaghan, in the absence of M. Milovick, highlighted several items in the report, a link to which was included on the agenda, for information.

b. 2022-2023 Draft Budget presentation

Donna Murnaghan delivered the 2022-2023 draft budget presentation, a link to which had been provided on the agenda. Discussion ensued.

12. PRESENTATIONS

- a. Strategic Enrolment Management update

M. Bluhm presented an update on strategic enrolment management. A link to the presentation was included on the agenda. Discussion ensued.

13. NEXT BOARD MEETING

- a. The next Board meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 01, 2022.

14. TERMINATION OF MEETING

There being no further agenda items, the meeting terminated at 2:38 p.m.