BOARD OF GOVERNORS PUBLIC MEETING

Friday, October 7, 2022 **1:30 PM**

The Terrace, 2nd Floor, Campus Activity Centre

MINUTES

Board members Present:

Marilyn McLean (Chair), Brett Fairbairn, Hee-Young Chung, Jim Hamilton, Jasmine Haskell, Kathy Humphrey, Kathy Kendall, Lillian Kwan, Jimmy Lulua, Divyani Pathak, Anshuman Walia

Regrets: Tracy Christianson, Hasnat Dewan, Katy Gottfriedson

Executive and Others Present:

Gillian Balfour (Provost and Vice-President Academic), Baihua Chadwick (Vice-President International), Brian Daly (Vice-President University Relations), Will Garrett-Petts (Vice-President Research and Graduate Studies, Interim), Matt Milovick (Vice-President Administration and Finance), John Sparks (General Counsel and Corporate Secretary), Charlene Myers (Manager, University Governance), Lynda Worth (University Governance Coordinator)

Guests:

Naowarat (Ann) Cheeptham (faculty member and 3M National Teaching Fellowship Award winner), Dorys Crespin-Mueller (Associate Vice-President, Integrated Planning and Effectiveness), Catharine Dishke Hondzel (Director, Centre for Excellence in Learning and Teaching), Steve Pottle (Director, Risk Management Services), Julie Taylor (Manager of Student Experience, Faculty of Student Development), Sara Wolfe (Executive Director - Student Development and Assistant Dean, Faculty of Student Development)

1. CALL TO ORDER

M. McLean called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m. She welcomed new elected student governors, Divyani Pathak and Anshuman Walia. She also introduced Gillian Balfour (Provost and Vice-President Academic), who was attending her first board meeting.

2. TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT

M. McLean delivered the territorial acknowledgment.

3. RECOGNITION OF EXCELLENCE

- a. Significance of 3M National Teaching Fellowship Award
 - G. Balfour acknowledged the work of, and introduced, Catharine Dishke Hondzel, who provided background about the 3M National Teaching Fellowship Award and then introduced Naowarat (Ann) Cheeptham.
- b. Naowarat (Ann) Cheeptham 3M National Teaching Fellowship Award Recipient
 - N. Cheeptham spoke about receiving her award and then M. McLean presented her with a Certificate of Recognition on behalf of the board.

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

M. McLean indicated that B. Chadwick would deliver the presentation on International Tuition Fees (agenda item 8.e.), but that the notice of motion in relation to those fees would be deferred. J. Sparks added that the plan was to serve notice of motion between now and early November, and then bring the matter to the board for consideration at their meeting on December 9. He added that the resolution to be proposed at that time would be different from the resolution circulated with the current meeting agenda package.

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

5. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURES

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Minutes of June 17, 2022

On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the public board meeting of June 17, 2022 be approved as circulated.

7. BOARD CHAIR'S REPORT

a. Chancellor search process

M. McLean reported that the search for the new Chancellor had just begun, and that the board had appointed governors Tracy Christianson, Kathy Kendall, and Anshuman Walia to the Chancellor Nomination Committee.

Note to minutes: Subsequent to this board meeting, Tracy Christianson agreed to stand aside to allow an indigenous person to sit on the committee and Katy Gottfriedson agreed to do so.

M. McLean added that once senate, alumni, and President Fairbairn had approved the appointment of their committee members, the secretariat would be contacting all the members to schedule the meetings, which would likely begin in January.

She added that the Board also approved the appointment of Divyani Pathak to the Advisory Committee on Investments.

8. FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

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

a. Q1 Results

For information, K. Humphrey provided highlights of the Q1 results, which she noted Y. Laflamme had presented in detail at the Finance Committee meeting.

b. Financial Information Act

K. Humphrey reported that documents related to the Financial Information Act requiring approval were circulated with the agenda package.

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

- c. Letter of Agreement between Industry Training Authority and Thompson Rivers University for the 2022/23 fiscal year
 - K. Humphrey reported that the Letter of Agreement was circulated with the agenda package and invited questions.

On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the board approve the Letter of Agreement between Industry Training Authority and Thompson Rivers University for the 2022/23 fiscal year, as presented.

d. Budget Context Presentation

For the board's information, G. Balfour and M. Milovick delivered the budget context presentation. A copy of the presentation was circulated with the agenda package. Discussion ensued.

e. International Tuition fees

- B. Chadwick presented information on proposed increases to international tuition fees, noting that the presentation was for information only, and not for notice of motion as indicated on the agenda and addressed earlier in the meeting. Discussion ensued.
- f. Tuition fees for Master of Engineering Science
 - G. Balfour spoke to the memorandum circulated with the agenda package regarding tuition fees for the Master of Engineering Science.

On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the program and tuition fee proposal for the Master of Engineering Science in Software, Electrical and Computer Engineering streams be approved as submitted.

9. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

a. President's Report to the Board

President Fairbairn spoke to several matters in his written report, a copy of which was circulated with the agenda package. He also delivered an oral report on some other more recent activities, including his Executive Priorities 2022/23 document, a copy of which was circulated subsequent to the agenda package.

- i. Policy revisions
 - 1. Proposed revisions to policy BRD 20-0 Greek Organizations

Notice of motion for the proposed changes to this policy was served on July 18, 2022. S. Wolfe and J. Taylor attended the meeting to respond to questions.

On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the proposed revisions to policy BRD 20-0 Greek Organizations be approved as circulated.

2. Proposed revisions to policy BRD 24-0 Risk Management

Notice of motion for the proposed changes to this policy was served on July 18, 2022. B. Fairbairn invited S. Pottle to introduce the proposed revisions.

On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the proposed revisions to policy BRD 24-0 Risk Management be approved as circulated.

10. REPORTS AND UPDATES

- a. Indigenous Service Plan
 - G. Balfour presented the Indigenous Service Plan, indicating she was doing so on behalf of T. Matthew, who was unable to join the meeting.
- b. Capital Update
 - M. Milovick provided a capital update, a presentation of which was circulated with the agenda package. Discussion ensued.
- c. Housing Update
 - M. Milovick updated the board on student housing via a presentation, for information. Discussion ensued.
- d. Office of Safety and Emergency Management Report
 - M. Milovick spoke to two matters from the OSEM report, namely the COVID-19 pandemic and monkeypox. A copy of the report was circulated with the agenda package. Discussion ensued.

11. PRESENTATION

a. Fall 2022 Enrolment Update

D. Crespin-Mueller presented the Fall 2022 enrolment update, which was circulated with the agenda package. Discussion ensued.

12. NEXT BOARD MEETING

a. The next Board meeting is scheduled for Friday, December 9, 2022, in CT309 Boardroom, 3rd Floor, Clock Tower.

13. TERMINATION OF MEETING

As there were no further agenda items, the meeting terminated at 4:05 p.m.