

**PUBLIC MEETING OF THE  
 BOARD OF GOVERNORS  
 FRIDAY, MARCH 30, 2012**

Public Minutes of the Thompson Rivers University Board of Governors, held in the Clock Tower Boardroom, commencing at 11:30 am.

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**Board Present:** F. Chan (Board Chair), M. Parker (Vice Chair), A. Shaver (President and Vice-Chancellor), R. Anderson, R. Chinyanganya, P. Dagg, D. Dickson, B. Holden, H. Hove, S. Jyrkkanen, P. Tsigaris, B. Ross, R. Williams

**Board Absent:** W. Oppal (Chancellor)

**Executive and Others Present:**

U. Scheck (Provost & Vice President, Academic), C. Neufeld (Vice President, Administration & Finance), J. Murray (Vice President, Open Learning), C. Seguin (Vice President, Advancement), J. Sparks (General Counsel & Corporate Secretary), M. Bower (Coordinator, University Governance)

**Guests:** Caitlin Keebaugh, Pamela Jules, Sherrie Bade, Barbara Paterson, Ken Olynyk, Donna Petri, Krystal Smith

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ADOPTION OF AGENDA	Addition - Policy BRD 14-1: Class Scheduling  The agenda was adopted as amended.	
ADOPTION OF MINUTES	Amendment - P. Tsigaris was present at the meeting.  <i>On motion duly made and adopted, it was RESOLVED that the minutes of February 24, 2012 be approved as amended.</i>	M. Bower
PRESENTATION	<u><b>CONAYT-TRU Partnership: Addressing Mutual Needs in a Cultural Immersion Experience</b></u> Caitlin Keebaugh and Pamela Jewels, 2 <sup>nd</sup> year students in the Bachelor of Nursing program, gave a presentation on the CONAYT-TRU Partnership in Merritt.	
REPORTS AND UPDATES	<u><b>Finance Committee</b></u> B. Holden reported that the Finance Committee met and reviewed the draft budget. It is expected that a balanced budget will be brought forward to the Board for approval at the May meeting.  The committee also discussed the Campus Activity Centre levy and brought forward a proposed resolution for Board consideration.  <i>On motion duly made and adopted, it was RESOLVED that:                      WHEREAS the University has since 1992 charged its students a levy to</i>	

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*assist in paying for the construction of the Campus Activity Centre (the "Levy");*

*AND WHEREAS the loan taken by the University in respect of the Campus Activity Centre will be repaid during the 2012/2013 fiscal year;*

*AND WHEREAS the University wishes to engage in sports with Canadian Inter-University ("CIS") in addition to basketball and volleyball;*

*THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED that, after the loan taken by the University in respect of the construction of the Campus Activity Centre has been repaid, the proceeds from the Levy be dedicated to the costs associated with the University competing in CIS sports.*

C. Neufeld

## NEW BUSINESS

**Notice of Motion – Policy BRD 23-0: Environmental Policy**

The Board served Notice of Motion to consider approval of BRD 23-0: Environmental Policy.

M. Bower

**Notice of Motion: Tuition and Ancillary Fees**

The Board served Notice of Motion on Tuition and Ancillary Fees for 2012/13 as follows:

- *Increase by 2% all tuition fees for all courses and programs that lead to academic credit at Thompson Rivers University (on campus and open learning) as per the Ministry of Advanced Education guidelines.*
- *Increase by 2% the following ancillary fees as per the Ministry of Advanced Education guidelines:*
  - *lab fees*
  - *student computer lab fees (face-to-face)*
  - *technology fees (open learning)*
  - *athletics and recreation fees*
  - *capital building fund*
  - *open learning course administration fees and other mandatory fees*
  - *university activity fees*
  - *Comprehensive University Enhancement Fund*

M. Bower

**Notice of Motion – International Student Tuition and Ancillary Fees**

The Board served Notice of Motion on International Student Tuition and Ancillary Fees for 2012/13 and subsequent years as follows:

- *That TRU's International tuition for course and programs that lead to academic credit at Thompson Rivers University will be set within the range of tuition fees charged by SFU, UNBC, and UVIC. For the 2013/13 academic year, this rate is set at \$15,800.*
- *That twelve month notice will be provided before the implementation of any adjustment in the international tuition fee.*

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- *That continuing students, as of the date of notice, will pay 50% of the increase for the first semester following the twelve months of the notice and 100% for the first semester following twenty four months of the notice.*
- *That international tuition fees will be reviewed every two years (next review – 2014/15) and the tuition fee will be adjusted to be within the prevailing range of international tuition fees charged by SFU, UNBC, and UVIC.*
- *That ancillary fees for international students be adjusted annually to reflect the prevailing ancillary fees paid by Canadian students.*

M. Bower

**New Policy – BRD 14-1: Class Scheduling**

U. Scheck explained that the Board served Notice of Motion on the proposed policy in February. The policy was provided to Senate for comment at their March meeting. U. Scheck addressed the questions raised by Senate.

*On motion duly made and adopted, it was RESOLVED to approve Policy BRD 14-1: Class Scheduling as proposed.*

M. Bower

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

A. Shaver presented highlights from the written report from the Office of the President.

**CORRESPONDENCE** No correspondence was received.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING** Thursday, May 24, 2012

**QUESTION PERIOD**

**ADJOURNMENT** The meeting adjourned.

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 F. Chan, Board Chair

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 A. Shaver, President & Vice-Chancellor