



BOARD OF GOVERNORS PUBLIC MEETING

Friday, October 4, 2019

1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

CN Boardroom, Clock Tower Building

MINUTES

Board Present:

Barbara Berger (Chair), Brett Fairbairn (President and Vice-Chancellor), Tracy Christianson, Helen Kormendy, Lillian Kwan, Vincent Li, Marilyn McLean, Ali Mulji, Hafiz Rahman (arrived at 2:30 p.m.), Charles Wyse, Eric Youd

Board Regrets:

Sukh Gill, Katy Gottfriedson, Michelle Stanford

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), Lucille Gnanasihamany (Associate Vice-President, Marketing and Communications), Charlene Myers (Manager, University Governance)

Recognition of Excellence: Christine Adam (Dean, Faculty of Student Development), Kira Cheeseborough, Stephanie Tate

1. CALL TO ORDER

B. Berger, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. She introduced new Governors Helen Kormendy, Vincent Li, and Ali Mulji.

2. TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT

B. Berger acknowledged that 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.

3. RECOGNITION OF EXCELLENCE

a. Kira Cheeseborough

Christine Adam introduced Kira Cheeseborough and spoke about her accomplishments with regard to co-operative education and work integrated learning. The Board Chair congratulated Ms. Cheeseborough and presented her with a framed Certificate of Recognition.

b. Stephanie Tate

Christine Adam introduced Stephanie Tate and highlighted her achievements with regard to leadership in university student services. The Board Chair congratulated Ms. Tate and then presented her with a framed Certificate of Recognition.

4. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURES

No Board members disclosed 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 June 14, 2019

*On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Board meeting of June 14, 2019 be approved as circulated.*

b. Minutes of Extraordinary meeting of July 17, 2019

*On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Extraordinary Board meeting of July 17, 2019 be approved as circulated.*

7. BOARD CHAIR'S REPORT

The Board Chair, Barbara Berger, delivered her report.

a. Vacancies for Governors on other bodies

i. TRU Community Corporation Board of Directors

B. Berger reported that M. Stanford had agreed to allow her name to stand for the position as a member of the Board of Governors on the TRU Community Corporate Board of Directors.

*On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that Michelle Stanford be appointed to the TRU Community Corporation Board of Directors.*

ii. TRU Advisory Committee on Investments

B. Berger also indicated that there was a position available for a Board member on the TRU Advisory Committee on Investments. No Board members volunteered to serve on this committee at this time.

8. REPORT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

In the absence of Finance Committee Chair, S. Gill, M. McLean gave the Committee's report.

a. Q1 Results

P. Manhas presented the information that had been circulated with the agenda package. No questions arose.

b. Financial Information Act Report

M. Milovick spoke to this report, a [link](#) to which had been provided on the agenda.

c. Letter of Agreement between Industry Training Authority and Thompson Rivers University for the 2019/20 fiscal year

C. Bovis-Crossen spoke to the proposed Letter of Agreement.

*On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the Letter of Agreement between the Industry Training Authority and Thompson Rivers University for the 2019/20 fiscal year be approved, as circulated.*

d. *Notice of Motion:* International Undergraduate Tuition and Fee Increases 2020/21

C. Bovis-Crossen addressed the information in the memorandum that was circulated with the agenda package and indicated that the matter, for which notice of motion was being served, would be discussed at the next Board meeting.

9. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Fairbairn delivered his report.

a. President's Report to the Board

The President stated that his President's Report to the Board is a new form of report to the Board. He spoke about the purpose and format of the report, and then to some items contained within it, and invited feedback from Board members.

b. President's Report to Senate – September 2019

President Fairbairn drew Governors' attention to some items in his report to Senate.

c. Envision TRU

B. Fairbairn asked L. Gnanasiamany, Associate Vice-President, Marketing and Communications, to update the Board on the status of Envision TRU, which she did. The President added that all information gathered is accessible on the Envision TRU [website](#).

d. 50th Anniversary Update

The President noted that planning was underway for TRU's 50th Anniversary.

e. Submission to the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services

President Fairbairn reported that he and the Board Chair had made a submission to the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services, and that a [link to the submission](#) was circulated on the agenda.

10. SENATE REPORT

B. Fairbairn, Chair of Senate, delivered the Senate Report.

a. Program Deletions, OL

C. Bovis-Crossen reported that the deletion of these programs would not affect any students, which is a major consideration when considering program deletion.

i. Water Treatment Technology Certificate Level I *OL

*On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the Water Treatment Technology Certificate Level I *OL be deleted, as circulated.*

- ii. Water Treatment Technology Certificate Level III *OL

*On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the Water Treatment Technology Certificate Level III *OL be deleted, as circulated.*

- b. Written report from the Senate Tenure and Promotion Committee: July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019

The report from the Senate Tenure and Promotion Committee was provided for information.

In addition to the items contained in his written report, the Chair of Senate added that Senate had a good discussion on capital planning and priorities at the last Senate meeting. He outlined the topics discussed and the feedback Senators had provided.

11. REPORTS AND UPDATES

- a. Capital Update

- i. Nursing and Population Health Building

M. Milovick reported on the status of the Nursing and Population Health Building, noting that change orders had resulted in a credit sum. A copy of the dashboard report was circulated with the agenda package.

M. Milovick also reported that, over the summer, The Den had been renovated and would be reopening next week.

- ii. TRU Community Corporation Update

M. Milovick reported that, at Senate, he had delivered a presentation on the campus master plan and the TRU Community Corporation developments. He provided a status update on projects, noting that the current Cape and Kelson projects would yield approximately \$5.5M in proceeds for endowment to student awards and research.

- b. Safety and Emergency Management Report

M. Milovick spoke to some information in the report, a copy of which was circulated in the agenda package.

c. Accreditation Update

C. Bovis-Crossen updated the Board on the status of accreditation.

d. Quality Assurance Process Audit (QAPA) Update

C. Bovis-Crossen provided an update on the QAPA. She also indicated that the audit would take place at the end of January and that TRU therefore needs to submit its self-study/assessment in December. She added that once the report is available it would be circulated to the Board of Governors, Senate, and the Planning Council for Open Learning.

T. Christianson left the meeting.

12. PRESENTATION

a. 2020-2021 Budget Context Presentation

H. Rahman joined the meeting during the presentation.

C. Bovis-Crossen and M. Milovick presented the 2020-2021 Budget Context, a [link](#) to which was circulated on the agenda. After the presentation, they responded to questions.

13. HOUSEKEEPING ITEM

The Chair reminded Board members that the annual Board photo would be taken directly after the meeting.

14. NEXT BOARD MEETING

It was noted that the next Board meeting is scheduled for Friday, December 6, 2019.

15. TERMINATION OF MEETING

There being no further agenda items, the Chair terminated the meeting at 2:50 p.m.