



BOARD OF GOVERNORS – REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

January 25, 2011

1:00 pm

Boardroom

ATTENDANCE:

Voting Members:

Ron Burnett
Darren Devlin
Arnold Fine
Debra Hoggan
Evaleen Jaager Roy – Chair
Ingrid Koenig
Samantha Lefort
Rick Mischel (by phone)
Heather Oland
Blair Qualey
Bob Rennie
Emma Somers
John Wertschek
David Wotherspoon

Non-Voting Members:

Michael Clifford, Vice President Finance + Administration
Monique Fouquet, Vice President Academic + Provost
Barbara Hobson, Interim University Secretary

REGRETS:

Jake Kerr, Chancellor

I. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

Chair Evaleen Jaager Roy called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. She introduced and welcomed Barbara Hobson, the Interim University Secretary, who will be providing support to the Board during Alisha Walsh's absence. She also welcomed Rick Mischel and Arnie Fine to the Board.

2. Approval of Previous Minutes

Moved/Seconded to approve the minutes of the Board meeting of November 19, 2011 as circulated.

Carried

3. Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was amended to move the presentations after the Reports.

Moved/Seconded to approve the agenda as amended.

Carried

4. Oath of Office

Arnold Fine and Eric (Rick) Mischel were sworn in, and welcomed by the Board Chair.

II. BUSINESS / DECISIONS

1. Notice of Motion: Approval of Revised Board Bylaws

Chair Evaleen Jaager Roy provided a notice of motion regarding the revised Board Bylaws. She asked the Board to ignore the attachment to this item, as it should not have been included yet. The revised bylaws will be presented at the March meeting.

2. Spring Retreat Session

Chair Evaleen Jaager Roy told members of the Board that the spring retreat session was discussed at the Governance Meeting. It is being planned to take place in May, and will look at the goals; background; and diversity of programming at Emily Carr. Details will be confirmed in the future.

III. REPORTS

1. New Campus Project Report

Ron Burnett told members of the Board that the Concept Plan for the new campus project is being rewritten. He will be meeting with the Ministry soon. He asked for Board members assistance with lobbying government officials to have the plans and funding for the campus in place as soon as possible.

2. Chair's Report

Evaleen Jaager Roy added that she and others have been advocating for the new campus. She urged all members of the Board to lobby their contacts as well. Ron also handed out a copy of an advocacy 1-pager for the new campus.

She also thanked Ron and his wife for the social event held in December at their home.

3. President + Vice-Chancellor's Report

Ron Burnett provided updates on the following items:

- Canada Research Chair;
- The MOA to be signed with the Central Academy of Fine Arts in Beijing;
- The search for a Director of Communications, which will need to be redone;
- The need to hire a Webmaster;
- The C3 project with the City of Vancouver;
- Cyclical educational reviews at Emily Carr;
- A book about Emily Carr which is being worked on by Paul Roelofs;
- The health design initiative and the fact that there are eight projects underway with Emily Carr; and
- International partnerships that are developing.

4. Vice President Academic + Provost's Report

Monique Fouquet provided updates on the following:

- The new cyclical review process; and
- The current exhibit in the Scott Gallery, which is receiving good attention.

5. Senate Report

Ron Burnett said the Senate is working well. The next meeting is on January 31, 2011.

6. Policy Governance Committee Report

Evaleen Jaeger Roy reported on the committee meeting. The committee has been looking at the bylaws, and has approved a revised version, which will come to the next Board meeting. The committee also met in November, reviewing several items, including governance and the board manual updates.

7. Finance + Audit Committee Report

Michael Clifford handed out an Operating Fund Analysis for the Nine Month Period Ended December 31, 2010. He summarized the document and also stated that the budget will be revised next week to reflect the spring intake. Management may have to freeze expenditures soon. As well, government has indicated that there will be no net increase in funding next year.

8. Awards Committee Report

Bob Rennie reported that the committee will be meeting after the Board meeting. There is a very rich, diverse mix of candidates for honorary degrees. Once the committee has completed their work, candidates will need to be ratified by email.

IV. INFORMATION ITEMS

- Members of the Board were asked to turn in their Board binders for updating.
- A list of upcoming events at Emily Carr was included in the agenda package. Any changes will be emailed to the Board, and future lists will be printed on coloured paper and distributed at meetings.

V. PRESENTATIONS

1. Aboriginal Programming

Brenda Crabtree, Aboriginal Coordinator, was introduced and welcomed. Brenda told the Board about the program, including:

- This has been an exciting year of growth, with the largest intake ever;
- There is very little attrition from the program;
- There are some issues with academic performance, however tutors are provided;
- There are often financial issues for the students and many come from outside the Lower Mainland;
- She has successfully developed on-line studio courses; and
- Graduates of the program often do a 12 month Bachelor of Education course and then return to teach in their communities.

Brenda was thanked by the Board Chair, and members of the Board, for her presentation and the work she does in the University.

2. Foundation Board

Don Shumka, Chair of the Foundation Board, was welcomed to the meeting. Don gave a brief history of the Foundation, explained the work they have done to date and their plans for 2011. A good discussion was held, and it was suggested that the two Boards work together more closely in future.

Don was thanked by the Board Chair and invited to return to the Board within a 6 month timeframe.

VI. NEXT BOARD MEETING: Tuesday, March 29, 2011

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.