



BOARD OF GOVERNORS – REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

Thursday, September 8, 2011

1:00 pm

Emily Carr University, Boardroom

ATTENDANCE:

Voting Members:

Jake Kerr, Chancellor
Ron Burnett
Darren Devlin
Debra Hoggan
Evaleen Jaager Roy
Ingrid Koenig
Samantha Lefort
Rick Mischel
Heather Oland
Blair Qualey
Bob Rennie
Emma Somers
John Wertschek
Faye Wightman

Non-Voting Members:

Michael Clifford, Vice President Finance + Administration
David Bogen, Vice President Academic + Provost
Carina Clark, Interim University Secretary

REGRETS:

Arnold Fine

I. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

Chair Evaleen Jaager Roy called the meeting to order at 1 pm.

2. Approval of Previous Minutes (May 19, 2011)

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

Carried

3. Adoption of the Agenda.

Moved/Seconded to approve the agenda as circulated.

Carried

II. BUSINESS / DECISIONS

1. Introduction / Presentation by Dr. David Bogen, VP Academic + Provost

Dr. Burnett introduced Dr. Bogen to the Board, and gave a brief overview of Dr. Bogen's background. Dr. Bogen addressed the Board with a power point presentation which highlighted his first impressions of Emily Carr, and detailed his previous work experience. Dr. Bogen was the Associate Provost for Academic Affairs at Rhode Island School of Design, and before that he was a faculty member and the Executive Director of the Institute for Liberal Arts at Emerson College in Boston. The Board enthusiastically welcomed Dr. Bogen to the Emily Carr team.

2. Introduction of Barry Patterson, Executive Director of Communications.

Dr. Burnett introduced Barry Patterson to the Board, and gave a brief overview of Mr. Patterson's background. Mr. Patterson was the Director of Marketing and Communications for the Canadian Film Centre in Toronto for six years, and before that he worked for CBC Television. The Board members welcomed Mr. Patterson to Emily Carr University. It was noted that with David and Barry rounding out the top team, Emily Carr is now well positioned in terms of executive talent.

III. REPORTS

1. Research and SIGGRAPH Report – Dr. Robert Inkster presented a report that detailed the current research and special projects which are currently underway at Emily Carr University. Dr. Inkster also reported on the SIGGRAPH (Special Interest Group on Graphics and Interactive Techniques) Conference which was held at Vancouver Convention Centre August 7-11. Emily Carr's booth at the conference was designed by a student team led by faculty member Eugenia Berullis. The Emily Carr booth was frequented by hundreds of potential company partners, and as a result two new agreements are now being finalized.

Samantha Lefort left the meeting.

2. President + Vice Chancellor Report – Dr. Ron Burnett reported on the re-designing of the structure of administrative committees that the President's Executive team has completed. The President's Executive Committee is now called the Executive Committee and has been reduced in size. A new committee called Senior Planning Group has been formed. The Senior Planning Group will include members of the Executive Committee, the Deans, as well as representatives from the Library, Information Technology Services, Student Services, Communications, and University Advancement. Dr. Burnett further reported that:

- The Concept plan has been forwarded to Treasury Board. An official response is pending.
- UBC Properties Trust, GNW and Emily Carr are discussing the possibility of building student residences at the Great Northern Way site.
- A letter of intent to Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI) will request funding for renovations of the MDM building.
- The Continuing Studies department has moved from the second floor to the first floor in the North building, beside the President's office.
- The interviews for the Canada Research Chairs (Tier 1 and 2) are on-going. The deadline for submitting names of candidates is end of October.
- As a result of a new agreement with Central Academy of Fine Arts (CAFA) in Beijing, Emily Carr has welcomed 6 transfer students this fall, and up to 25 students are expected next year.

3. Chancellor's report

In order for the plans for a possible new campus at Great Northern Way to move forward, Emily Carr has to receive funding for the development of the business case. Treasury Board is currently reviewing the concept plan.

4. Chair's report

Evaleen Jaager Roy asked everyone to sign the Annual Conflict declaration form for Members of the Board of Governors, as approved last spring by the Board. Evaleen also updated the Board with respect to the renewal of several Board member's terms, and noted that with these renewals and the addition of Faye Wightman, the Board has now achieved a new level of strength and stability. The terms for 3 board members will expire December 31, 2011, and the Board Resourcing office will be contacted by the President's office and the Board Chair.

IV. **NEXT BOARD MEETING:** Thursday, November 17, 2011

V. **ADJOURNMENT** – There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:31 pm.