



BOARD OF GOVERNORS – REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

Thursday, September 18, 2014

1:00 pm

Boardroom

ATTENDANCE:

Voting Members:

Ron Burnett
Gaye Fowler
Gloria Han
Evaleen Jaeger Roy
Jake Kerr
Salguero Kiernan
Rick Mischel
Michael O'Brian
Blair Qualey
Bob Rennie
Denise Turner
John Wertschek

Non-Voting Members:

Michael Clifford, Vice President Finance + Administration
David Bogen, Vice President Academic + Provost
Jennifer DeDominicis, Vice President Enrolment + Student Services
Alisha Walsh, University Secretary

Guests:

Alex Phillips, Faculty of Culture + Community
Rita Wong, Faculty Association President
Lori MacDonald, Executive Director, Student Union

REGRETS:

Toby Baker
Ingrid Koenig

I. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

1. Call to Order

Chair Evaleen Jaeger Roy called the meeting to order at 12:55 pm.

2. Approval of Previous Minutes

Moved/Seconded to approve the minutes of the Board meeting of May 15, 2014 as circulated. Carried

3. Adoption of the Agenda

Moved/Seconded to approve the agenda as circulated. Carried

4. Oath of Office

Evaleen Jaeger Roy welcomed Denise Turner and Salguero Kiernan to the Board and they read and signed the Oath of Office.

II. BUSINESS / DECISIONS

1. New Campus Project

Jake Kerr reported on the progress of the project and recent meetings.

Ron Burnett provided updates on the Chief Project Officer and recent meetings and provided information on the proponent selection process and launch of the public media campaign, which will take place when the selected proponent team is publically announced on November 18th. Ron Burnett expressed gratitude to and acknowledged the hard work of David Bogen, Michael Clifford, Jennifer DeDominicis and Janice Wong.

Jake Kerr informed the Board of the strict confidentiality requirement for the evaluation and selection process, which limits the information that can be shared, but assured the Board that they will be informed of the proponent decision as soon as permitted and before the public announcement. There was discussion regarding the role of the Board and it was noted that while the Project Board is the governing authority, the Emily Carr Board will be kept as informed and involved as possible.

2. Conflict of Interest Annual Declaration

Evaleen Jaager Roy referred members to the conflict of interest annual declaration and asked members to sign and return the form to Alisha Walsh.

3. Board Committees

Evaleen Jaager Roy referred members to the committee list and asked members to send their committee preferences to Alisha Walsh. It was reported that Rick Mischel has agreed to Chair the Finance + Audit Committee and that Blair Qualey has agreed to Chair the Policy Governance Committee. Evaleen thanked Blair and Rick for their continued leadership and many contributions to the Board.

4. Honorary Degree Update

Evaleen Jaager Roy provided information on the Honorary Degree process, including the call for nominations that will be issued to the community. The shortlisted candidates for Honorary Degrees and the Emily Award will be presented to the Board in November.

5. Motion: Approval of Safe Disclosure Policy

Alisha Walsh provided an overview of the government Taxpayer Accountability initiative in the context of the Safe Disclosure and Confidentiality policies. The policies had already been in development and are being presented to the Board for approval at this time to be in line with government deadlines.

Anne Stobart provided background on the development and internal review of the policies and provided an overview of the content of the Safe Disclosure policy.

Moved/Seconded to approve the Safe Disclosure Policy as presented.

Carried

6. Motion: Approval of Confidentiality Policy

Anne Stobart presented an overview of the confidentiality policy and Alisha Walsh outlined the revisions to the policy.

Moved/Seconded to approve the Confidentiality Policy as revised.

Carried

III. PRESENTATION

1. Campaign Update

Broek Bosma, Associate Vice President Advancement + Alumni Affairs, presented a campaign update including media and engagement, current activities, brand strategy, Fall 2014 objectives and the upcoming media campaign. He was thanked on behalf of the Board for his hard work in Advancement and Communications.

IV. REPORTS

1. Chair's Report

Evaleen Jaager Roy reported on a productive Core Review meeting with the Minister in July which she and Ron attended and also invited Board members to attend an exciting Emily Carr event in London. Alisha Walsh will send Board members further details.

2. Chancellor's Report

Jake Kerr reported on the process for Chancellor selection and noted that further details will be provided during the in camera meeting.

3. President + Vice-Chancellor's Report

Ron Burnett reported on the development of a new strategic plan, the Advancement and Communications department, the McConnell Foundation, the development of an entrepreneurial centre and upcoming administrative departmental reviews.

4. Vice President Academic + Provost's Report

David Bogen referred members to the package of information distributed, which includes the eight design principles for the new campus and the academic priorities for 2014/15, for which he provided a high level overview.

There was discussion regarding Continuing Studies and it was agreed that Sadira Rodrigues, Dean of Continuing Studies, be asked to present the Continuing Studies strategic plan to the Board in November.

5. Vice President Enrolment + Student Services / Registrar's Report

Jennifer DeDominicis reported on student engagement, access and enrolment.

There was discussion regarding Foundation enrolment and how figures this year exceeded targets and the contributing factors, which may include the new campus, increased student support and contact and summer teen programming.

6. Senate Report

Ron Burnett reported on Senate's governance relationship with the Board.

V. NEXT BOARD MEETING: THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2014

Evaleen Jaager Roy reminded members of the next Board meeting scheduled for Thursday, November 27th.

VI. BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE 2014/15

Evaleen Jaager Roy referred members to the Board meeting schedule for 2014/15.

VII. THANK YOU TO JOHN WERTSCHEK

Evaleen Jaager Roy provided a brief history of John's involvement at Emily Carr and on the Board and thanked him for his many contributions and presented him with a gift on behalf of the Board.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:30 pm.