## **BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING**

June 7, 2019
9:00am – 12:00pm
Orillia Location - OA1025
Thunder Bay Location – UC2001 (Governance Conference Room)

# **MINUTES**

**Board of Governors Members in Attendance:** Mr. Robert Arnone; Dr. Michel Beaulieu; Ms. Ann Dumyn; Dr. Christine Gottardo; Ms. Angela Maltese; Mr. Brian McKinnon; Dr. Moira McPherson; Mr. Ross Murray (Chair); Ms. Kathryn Rippey; Mr. David Tamblyn; Ms. Cathy Tuckwell\*; Ms. Maria Vasanelli; Ms. Wendy Walberg\*

Regrets: Ms. Catherine Siemieniuk

Absent: Mr. Sean Speer; Mr. Nathan Wainwright

**Administrative Resources in Attendance:** Ms. Barbara Eccles (Secretary) - General Counsel & University Secretary; Marcie Morrison (Recorder) - Assistant University Secretary

#### **Invited Guests in Attendance:**

Dr. David Barnett - Provost and Vice President (Academic) (Lakehead University)

Ms. Deb Comuzzi - Vice President, External Relations (Lakehead University)

Dr. Andrew P. Dean - Vice President, Research and Innovation (Lakehead University)

Mr. Toby Goodfellow - Chief of Staff, Office of the President (Lakehead University)

Dr. Dean Jobin-Bevans - Principal, Orillia Campus (Lakehead University)

Lyn McLeod – Chancellor (Lakehead University)

Dr. Heather Murchison - Vice Provost, Institutional Planning and Analysis (Lakehead University)

Mrs. Kathy Pozihun - Vice President, Administration and Finance (Lakehead University)

\*Video Conference

The meeting was called to order at 9:07am.

The Chair opened the meeting by acknowledging the Indigenous territories of Thunder Bay and Orillia.

1. Approval of Agenda

MOVED (B. McKinnon) that the agenda be approved. CARRIED

#### 2. Need for In Camera Items to be Declared

Members were reminded that items arising that need in camera attention should be declared at the point of discovery.

### 3. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

Members were reminded of their duty to declare a conflict of interest should awareness of conflict arise at any time during the meeting.

#### 4. Approval of the April 25, 2019 Minutes

The minutes of the April 25, 2019 meeting were circulated in advance with the meeting materials.

MOVED (B. McKinnon) that the minutes of the April 25, 2019 meeting be approved. CARRIED WITH AMENDMENT

### 5. Business Arising from the Minutes (not on the Agenda elsewhere)

There was no business arising from the minutes.

### 6. Board Executive Committee Report

The Board Executive Committee discussed items of business that were sensitive or confidential in nature. The approved minutes of the May 16, 2019 Board Executive Committee meeting were circulated to the Board of Governors for information with the in camera meeting package.

### 7. Chair's Report

There was no report from the Board Chair.

### 8. President's Report

The June 2019 President's Report was distributed in advance with the meeting materials and can be found on the Lakehead website at <a href="https://www.lakeheadu.ca">www.lakeheadu.ca</a>.

Sustainability Action Plan 2019-24:

The 2019-24 Sustainability Action Plan was circulated in advance with the meeting materials for information. The President reported that the draft plan was endorsed by the Senate on May 13, 2019.

# 9. Board Standing Committee Reports

# 9.1 Audit and Risk Committee Report

A report of the May 16, 2019 Audit and Risk Committee meeting was circulated in advance with the meeting materials.

### 9.1.1 Pension Investment Fund Annual Report

A summary of the financial position of the Pension Plan for Professional Staff and the Lakehead University Employee Pension Plan as of December 31, 2018, with comparative data from 2017, based on the audited financial statements, was circulated in advance with the meeting materials.

9.1.2 Approval of the Pension Investment Fund Audited Financial Statements

The Lakehead University Pension Fund Financial Statements, for the year ending December 31, 2018, were circulated in advance with the meeting materials.

MOVED (A. Dumyn) that the Lakehead University Pension Investment Fund financial statements be approved. CARRIED

# 9.2 External Relations Committee Report

A report of the May 15, 2019 External Relations Committee meeting was circulated in advance with the meeting materials.

MOVED (B. McKinnon) to accept the report. CARRIED

### 9.3 Finance and Operations Committee Report

The Committee Chair provided an overview of the report of the May 16, 2019 Finance and Operations Committee meeting that was circulated in advance with the meeting materials.

9.3.1 Approval of Proposed Amendments to the Statement of Investment Policies and Procedures, Lakehead University Pension Plan

The proposed amendments to the Statement of Investment Policies and

Procedures, Lakehead University Pension Plan were circulated in advance with the meeting materials.

WHEREAS at the April 26, 2019 Joint Pension Meeting of the Pension Board/Committee, the attached proposed amendments to the Statement Investment Policies and Procedures were approved for recommendation to the Board of Governors;

MOVED (C. Tuckwell) that the proposed amendments to the Statement of Investment Policies and Procedures, Lakehead University Pension Plan be approved.

CARRIED

9.3.2 Approval of Proposed Amendments to the Endowment Management Policy

A memo dated May 16, 2019, prepared by the Associate Vice President, Financial Services, was circulated in advance with the meeting materials. The memo included background information and a summary of the proposed amendments.

MOVED (R. Arnone) that the proposed amendments to the Endowment Management Policy be approved.

CARRIED

9.3.3 Approval of the Lakehead University Professional Pension Plan Text Amendment

The proposed amendments to the Pension Plan for Professional Staff of Lakehead University drafted by the Plan's Actuary, Ekler Ltd. arising as a result of the Memorandum of Understanding dated March 20, 2019 between Lakehead University and the Lakehead University Faculty Association were circulated in advance with the meeting materials.

Dr. Beaulieu and Dr. Gottardo declared a conflict of interest and abstained from voting.

WHEREAS Lakehead University (hereinafter referred to as the "University") has established the Pension Plan for Professional Staff of Lakehead University (hereinafter referred to as the "Plan") effective September 1, 1965;

AND WHEREAS the University wishes to amend the Plan to change the contribution rate for full-time faculty members and full-time librarian members pursuant to a Memorandum of Agreement between Lakehead

Faculty Association and Lakehead University dated March 20, 2019; AND WHEREAS paragraph 19.1 permits the University to amend the Plan;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED THAT (A. Dumyn) THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS APPROVES THAT THE PLAN SHALL BE AMENDED EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2020 AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. the following new paragraph 3.1.2 is hereby added to Article 3 immediately after paragraph 3.1.1 and all following paragraphs under Article 3 shall be renumbered accordingly:
- "3.1.2 Notwithstanding the foregoing, however, an Active Member that is employed full-time and is subject to the Agreement, and is either faculty or a librarian as determined by the Board of Governors shall contribute to the Plan each pay day the applicable percentage of his Earnings as provided under Article 3.1.1, but without regard to the contributions to the Canada Pension Plan."

  CARRIED

# 9.4 Governance and Nominating Committee Report

A report of the May 15, 2019 Governance and Nominating Committee meeting was circulated in advance with the meeting materials.

The Committee Chair provided an overview of the report and provided an update on Lieutenant Governor and Council appointments.

MOVED (A. Dumyn) to accept the report. CARRIED

# 9.4.1 Amendments to the Board of Governors Bylaws

The proposed amendments to the Board of Governors Bylaws were circulated seven days in advance of the meeting with the meeting materials, in accordance with Article 40 of the Board Bylaws.

The Chair asked Ms. Vasanelli to leave the meeting due to a perceived conflict of interest. Ms. Vasanelli departed.

An explanation for the proposed amendment to Article 1(e) and 1(f) was provided.

MOVED (K. Rippey) that the proposed amendments to the Bylaws, Article 1(e) and 1(f) be approved.

CARRIED

### Ms. Vasanelli joined the meeting.

# 10. Strategic Plan Interim Progress Report and Presentation

The President's Strategic Plan interim progress report/presentation was circulated in advance with the meeting materials. The presentation included:

- overview of the reporting approach
- planned annual reporting cycle
- June 2019 Report Card (dated June 4, 2019)

Board members had the opportunity to ask questions during the presentation.

Ms. Comuzzi and Dr. Jobin-Bevans left the meeting during the presentation.

11. Update on Maple Leaf School - Expanding Lakehead's Partnership with Maple Leaf Education System

Highlights from Dr. Barnett and Mrs. Pozihun's update on the Maple Leaf School included:

- a summary of the context for an expanded international partnership with Maple Leaf Education System provided to the Board in September 2018
- an overview of progress in advancing the expanded partnership
- next steps

# 12. Other Reports for Information

# 12.1 Northern Ontario School of Medicine

The May - June NOSM Activity Report was circulated in advance with the meeting materials.

#### 12.2 Senate

A report of the May 13, 2019 Senate meeting was circulated in advance with the meeting materials. Discussion ensued regarding Honorary Degree speeches at the 2019 convocation ceremonies.

### 13. In Camera Meeting (10:49am)

Chancellor Lyn McLeod left the meeting.

MOVED (C. Gottardo) to adjourn to an in camera meeting to discuss items of a personnel, legal, or real estate nature, and other sensitive or confidential matters, and that only members of and others approved by the Board may be present.

CARRIED

At 10:49am, the Board adjourned to an in camera meeting. Dr. Barnett, Dr. Dean, Ms. Eccles, Mr. Goodfellow, Ms. Morrison, Dr. Murchison, Mrs. Pozihun were invited to remain for parts of the in camera session.

The Board returned to the regular meeting at 1:47pm.

Dr. Barnett, Dr. Dean, Mr. Goodfellow, Dr. Murchison and Mrs. Pozihun left the meeting during the in camera session.

# 14. Motions Arising from the In Camera Meeting

There were no motions arising from the in camera meeting.

The Board received an in camera report from the President on promotion to Full Professor. The following individuals were granted promotion to Full Professor, effective July 1, 2019 as detailed below:

- Dr. Carlos Christofferson, Department of Electrical Engineering
- Dr. Monica Flegel, Department of English
- Dr. Elizabeth Kajander, Faculty of Education
- Dr. Eltayeb Mohamedelhassan, Department of Civil Engineering
- Dr. Thomas Potter, School of Outdoor Recreation, Parks and Tourism
- Dr. Todd Randall, Department of Geography and the Environment
- Dr. Jennifer Roth, Department of Women's Studies
- Dr. Tamara Varney, Department of Anthropology

#### 15. Items for Information

### 15.1 Next Meeting

Members were reminded of the next meeting on October 3, 2019, 9:00am to 3:00pm in the Senate Chambers.

16.	Other Business	
	There was no other business.	
The meeting adjourned at 1:47pm.		
	Mr. Ross Murray, Chair	Ms. Barbara Eccles, Secretary