



## BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

### MINUTES

<b>Date:</b>	June 2, 2023
<b>Time:</b>	9:00am - 12:30pm (EST)
<b>Location:</b>	Virtual: via Zoom Thunder Bay Campus: Senate Chambers (UC1001) Orillia Campus: Room OA3041

*\*\*Video Conference \*In Person-Orillia \*\*\*In Person-Thunder Bay*

**Board of Governors Members in Attendance:** \*\*Rajni Agarwal; \*Brandon Rhéal Amyot; \*Robert Arnone; \*Karen Boz; \*Peter Caldwell; \*Dr. Claudine Cousins; \*Ann Dumyn; \*\*Thomas Kehoe; \*\*\*Dr. Don Kerr; \*Pauline Mickelson; \*Michael Nitz; \*Dr. Moira McPherson; \*\*Anna Sampson; \*\*Dr. Bryanna Scott-Kay; \*\*\*Mark Smith; \*\*Brent Sylvester; \*Cathy Tuckwell; \*Maria Vasanelli (Chair)

**Administrative Resources in Attendance:** \*Dr. David Barnett - Provost and Vice-President, \*Vanessa Franklin (Recorder) – Governance and Administrative Assistant; Academic; \*Toby Goodfellow - Chief of Staff, Office of the President; \*\*Michael den Haan - Vice-President, External Relations; \*Dr. Heather Murchison - Vice-Provost, Institutional Planning and Analysis; \*Kathy Pozihun - Vice-President, Administration and Finance; \*\*Dr. Linda Rodenburg - Interim Principal, Orillia Campus; \*Yvonne Roussel (Secretary) - Interim University Secretary; \*\*Joy Wakefield - Director, Human Rights and Equity

The open meeting was called to order at 9:03am.

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

Item	Presenter(s)
Welcome and Introduction of New Board Members	
The Board Chair welcomed and introduced new Board members Brent Sylvester, Lieutenant Governor in Council Member, appointed on March 23, 2023, and Rajni Agarwal, City of Thunder Bay member, appointed on February 14, 2023.	
1. Approval of Agenda	Maria Vasanelli
MOVED (M. Nitz) that the agenda be approved. CARRIED	

2.	<p>Need for In Camera Items to be Declared</p> <p>Members were reminded that items arising that need in camera attention should be declared at the point of discovery.</p>	Maria Vasanelli
3.	<p>Declaration of Conflict of Interest</p> <p>Members were reminded of their duty to declare a conflict of interest should awareness of conflict arise at any time during the meeting.</p>	Maria Vasanelli
4.	<p>Code of Conduct at Meetings</p> <p>Members were reminded of the Board-approved Code of Conduct in place to promote a positive environment.</p>	Maria Vasanelli
5.	<p>Chair’s Report</p> <p>The Board Chair provided an oral report on the Council of Chairs of Ontario Universities (CCOU) meeting. An update was provided on topics covered at the meeting including executive compensation and the Blue Ribbon panel.</p>	Maria Vasanelli
6.	<p>President’s Report</p> <p>The President’s June 2023 online report was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p> <p>The President also provided a brief verbal overview of the ongoing program pathways and transfer learner opportunities, along with the multiple collaboration and partnership initiatives that have been developed and are in progress with Confederation College. New MOU’s, programs, community projects, and provincial committee collaborations have been led by the Provost and Vice-President (Academic) and the Associate Vice-Provost in collaboration with their Confederation colleagues. Dr. Barnett and Dr. Beaulieu have prepared a presentation that details the extensive work that has occurred over the past five years for delivery to the Board in the fall.</p> <p>Discussion ensued.</p>	Dr. Moira McPherson
7.	<p>Consent Agenda</p> <p>Supporting documentation for the items listed in the Consent Agenda was circulated in advance of the meeting. Prior to approving the Consent Agenda,</p>	Maria Vasanelli

	<p>Board members had the opportunity to request that an item be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed as a separate item on the agenda under Items for Discussion from Committee Reports or elsewhere on this agenda, to allow for discussion or debate.</p> <p>It was requested that the following items be moved from the Consent Agenda to the regular agenda:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● C5a: Policy Review: Gift Acceptance Policy</li> <li>● C6b: Student Member Recommendation</li> </ul> <p>MOVED (C. Tuckwell) that the Consent Agenda be approved, as amended. CARRIED</p>	
C1.	<p>Minutes of Previous Meeting</p> <p>MOVED that the minutes of the May 4, 2023 meeting be approved. CARRIED</p>	
C2.	<p>Executive Committee Report - for information</p> <p>The Board Executive Committee discussed items of business that were sensitive or confidential in nature during its meeting on May 16, 2023. A confidential report was provided during the in camera session.</p>	
C3.	<p>President's Report on Appointments</p>	
C4.	<p>Audit and Risk Committee Report (of the May 11, 2023 meeting)</p> <p>a. Lakehead University Pension Investment Fund</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Pension Investment Fund Annual Report</li> <li>● Pension Investment Fund Audited Financial Statements</li> </ul> <p>MOVED to approve the Lakehead University Pension Investment Fund financial statements, as circulated. CARRIED</p>	
C5.	<p><del>External Relations Committee Report (of the May 12, 2023 meeting)</del></p> <p><del>Policy Review: Gift Acceptance Policy</del></p> <p><del>i. Current Policy</del></p>	

	<p><del>ii. Proposed Amendments (with markup)</del>  <del>iii. Proposed Amendments (without markup)</del></p> <p><del>MOVED to approve the proposed amendments to the Gift Acceptance Policy, as circulated.</del></p>
C6.	<p>Governance and Nominating Committee Report (of the May 12, 2023 meeting)</p> <p>a. Amendments to the 2022-23 Board Meeting Schedule</p> <p>MOVED to approve rescheduling the October 5, 2023 Board AGM to October 12, 2023 and the October 6, 2023 Board Annual Retreat and Orientation to October 13, 2023.        CARRIED</p> <p><del>b. Student Member Recommendation</del></p> <p><del>MOVED C Tuckwell to approve the re-appointment of Brandon Amyot as the Student Member on the Board, for a term commencing following the 2023 AGM through to the 2024 AGM.</del>        CARRIED</p>
C7.	<p>Learning and Liaison Committee Report (of the May 12, 2023 meeting)</p> <p>a. Institute of Corporate Directors (ICD) Board Membership Renewal</p> <p>MOVED to approve renewing the ICD Board membership that expired on May 31, 2023.        CARRIED</p>
C8.	<p>Other Informational Items</p> <p>a. Senate Report (of the May 15, 2023 meeting)        b. Ogimaawin Indigenous Education Council Report (of the April 3, 2023 meeting)</p>
	<p>Items for Discussion from the Consent Agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Item C5a - External Relations Committee Report (of the May 12, 2023 meeting)</li> </ul> <p>Policy Review: Gift Acceptance Policy</p>

	<p>The following documents were circulated in advance of the meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Current Policy</li> <li>ii. Proposed Amendments (with markup)</li> <li>iii. Proposed Amendments (without markup)</li> </ul> <p>MOVED to approve the proposed amendments to the Gift Acceptance Policy, including the following additional amendment:        Page 4, Gift Committee, the document should read “The Gift Review Committee may, from time to time, recommend to the Executive Team that it seek the approval of the Board of Governors (in such circumstances where consistency with this policy remains in question).”        CARRIED as amended</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Item C6b - Governance and Nominating Committee Report (of the May 12, 2023 meeting)           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>b. Student Member Recommendation</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Brandon Amyot declared a conflict and left the meeting.</p> <p>MOVED (C. Tuckwell) to approve the re-appointment of Brandon Amyot as the Student Member on the Board, for a term commencing following the 2023 AGM through to the 2024 AGM.        CARRIED</p> <p>Brandon Amyot rejoined the meeting.</p>	
8.	Items for Discussion from Committee Reports	Maria Vasanelli
8.1	<p>Audit and Risk Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Policy/Procedures Review: Sexual and Gender-based Violence Response Policy and Procedures (legislative requirements)</li> </ul> <p>The following documents were circulated in advance of the</p>	Mark Smith, Joy Wakefield

	<p>meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Memo</li> <li>ii. Current Policy and Procedures</li> <li>iii. Proposed Policy Amendments (with markup)</li> <li>iv. Proposed Procedures Amendments (with markup)</li> </ul> <p>The floor was open for discussion. Administration answered several questions related to the Memo.</p> <p>MOVED (M. Smith) that the Board approves the proposed amendments to the Sexual and Gender-based Violence Response Policy and Procedures, required by legislation, as circulated.        CARRIED</p>	
8.2	<p>Governance and Nominating Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Policy Review: Board Chair, Vice-Chair and Past-Chair Succession Policy</li> </ul> <p>The following documents were circulated in advance of the meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Current Policy</li> <li>ii. Proposed Amendments (with markup)</li> </ul> <p>Discussion ensued.</p> <p>MOVED (P. Caldwell) that the Board approves the proposed amendments to the Board Chair, Vice-Chair and Past-Chair Succession Policy, as circulated.        CARRIED</p> <p>At 10:32am the Board took a recess.        The meeting was called back to order at 10:52am.</p>	Peter Caldwell
9.	<p>Strategic Plan</p> <p><i>Excerpt from the draft minutes of the May 4, 2023 Board meeting - "The President reported that the extended Strategic Plan will be ready to present to the Board at its</i></p>	Dr. Moira McPherson, Dr. Heather Murchison

	<p><i>next meeting for approval. On June 11, 2022, the Board of Governors adopted a motion to support the extension of the current 2018-2023 Lakehead University Strategic Plan by two years.”</i></p> <p>The following items were circulated in advance of the meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● June Report on Implementation (Year 5)</li> <li>● 2018-2025 Strategic Plan Extension</li> </ul> <p>Following the presentation of the above two items, discussion ensued on the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● the data collected in the surveys included in the Strategic Plan, and the University’s commitment to capture additional EDI data moving forward</li> <li>● planning for the next Strategic Plan</li> <li>● Lakehead’s partnership with the City of Thunder Bay</li> </ul> <p>MOVED (A. Dumyn) that the Board approves the 2018-2025 Strategic Plan Extension, as circulated.        CARRIED</p>	
<p>10.</p>	<p>Student Food Security: Overview and Discussion</p> <p>Administration provided a summary of current and planned initiatives to mitigate student food security.</p> <p>Discussion ensued.</p>	<p>Dr. David Barnett,        Michael den Haan</p>
<p>11.</p>	<p>In Camera Session</p> <p>MOVED (C. Tuckwell) to adjourn to an in camera session to discuss items of a personnel, legal or real estate nature, or any other item of sensitive or confidential nature, and that only members of and others approved by the Board may be present.        CARRIED</p> <p>At 12:14pm the Board adjourned to an in camera session. Vanessa Franklin, Yvonne Roussel, and members of the President’s Executive Team were invited to remain for a portion of the in camera session.</p> <p>The Board returned to the open meeting at 2:42pm.</p>	<p>Maria Vasanelli</p>

	11.1	Motions Arising from the In Camera Meeting  No motions arose from the in camera meeting.	Yvonne Roussel
12.		Other Business  There was no other business.	Maria Vasanelli
<p>The meeting adjourned at 2:43pm.</p> <p>A link to the online meeting schedule was provided. The next Board of Governors meeting is on October 12, 2023, from 9:00am to 1:00pm (EST).</p>			

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Maria Vasanelli, Chair

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Yvonne Roussel, Secretary