



BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

MINUTES

Date:	November 30, 2023
Time:	9:00am - 2:50pm (ET)
Locations:	Thunder Bay Campus: Senate Chambers (UC1001) Orillia Campus: Room OA3041 (will be connected to Zoom and the Senate Chambers) Remotely: via Zoom

**Joined remotely*

Board of Governors Members in Attendance: Rajni Agarwal; *Brandon Amyot; *Robert Arnone; *Karen Boz; *Peter Caldwell; *Dr. Claudine Cousins; *Thomas Kehoe; Dr. Don Kerr; Sunil Kumar; Michael Nitz; Dr. Gillian Siddall; *Anna Sampson; Mark Smith; Brent Sylvester; Cathy Tuckwell (Vice-Chair); Maria Vasanelli (Chair)

Regrets: Pauline Mickelson

Absent: Dr. Bryanna Scott-Kay

Administrative Resources in Attendance: Dr. David Barnett - Provost and Vice-President; Dr. Andrew P. Dean - Vice-President, Research and Innovation; *Toby Goodfellow - Chief of Staff, Office of the President; *Michael den Haan - Vice-President, External Relations; Marcie Morrison (Recording Secretary) - Associate University Secretary; 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

In Memoriam - Helen Cromarty

Dr. Gillian Siddall, President and Vice-Chancellor, spoke in memory of Helen Cromarty. The Board had a moment of silence in memory of Helen Cromarty.

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

The meeting was called to order at 9:00am.

Item	Presenter(s)
1. Approval of Agenda MOVED (P. Caldwell) that the agenda be approved. CARRIED	Maria Vasanelli
2. Need for In Camera Items to be Declared	Maria Vasanelli

	Members were reminded that items arising that need in camera attention should be declared at the point of discovery.	
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 Chair reported on recent collective bargaining agreements, thanking everyone involved.</p>	Maria Vasanelli
6.	<p>President's Report</p> <p>The President's November online report to the Board was circulated in advance of the meeting and was posted on the Lakehead website.</p>	Dr. Gillian Siddall
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, 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"> ● 7-C8: Board Learning and Liaison Committee Report <p>MOVED (B. Sylvester) that the Consent Agenda be approved, as amended. CARRIED</p>	Maria Vasanelli
7-C1.	<p>Minutes of Previous Meeting</p> <p>MOVED that the minutes of the October 12, 2023 meeting be approved. CARRIED</p>	

7-C2.	<p>Executive Committee Report (of the November 2, 2023 meeting)</p> <p>a. New Appointment of Deans Policy b. For Information Only: Appointment of Deans Procedures - Draft <i>Note: Appointment of Dean Procedures are approved by the President's Executive Team.</i></p> <p>MOVED that the new Appointment of Deans Policy be approved, as circulated. CARRIED</p>
7-C3.	<p>President's Report on Appointments</p>
7-C4.	<p>Audit and Risk Committee Report (of the November 2, 2023 meeting)</p>
7-C5.	<p>External Relations Committee Report (of the November 1, 2023 meeting)</p>
7-C6.	<p>Finance and Operations Committee Report (of the November 2, 2023 meeting)</p>
7-C7.	<p>Governance and Nominating Committee Report (of the November 1, 2023 meeting)</p> <p>a. Amendments to the 2023-24 Board Meeting Schedule</p> <p>MOVED that the Board approves the following amendments to the 2023-24 Board of Governors meeting schedule:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Move February 16 , 2024 Board of Governors Meeting to February 8, 2024 ● Move February 17 , 2024 Board Winter Retreat to February 9, 2024 ● Move the April 3, 2024 Governance and Nominating Committee meeting to April 2, 2024 from 1-2:30pm ● Move the April 4, 2024 Audit and Risk Committee meeting to April 2, 2024 from 3-4:30pm ● Move the April 4, 2024 Executive Committee meeting to April 9, 2024 from 3-4:30pm ● Move the April 4, 2024 Finance and Operations Committee meeting to April 12, 2024 from 1-4:30pm <p>CARRIED</p> <p>b. Notice of Bylaw Amendments (coming forward for consideration at the February 2023 meeting)</p> <p><i>Excerpt from Board Bylaws Article 12.1(a) - "Any bylaw which purports to amend, alter or repeal any then existing bylaw shall be effective only if enacted by Special Resolution at</i></p>

	<p><i>a meeting of the Board, and only if due notice of such amendment, revision or repeal; shall have been given at least thirty (30) days prior to such Board Meeting.”</i></p> <p>i. Proposed Amendments (Article 10) ii. Proposed Amendments (Articles 8)</p>	
7-C8.	<p>Learning and Liaison Committee Report (of the November 1, 2023 meeting) This item was removed from the Consent Agenda.</p>	
7-C9.	2023-24 Board of Governors Annual Workplan	
7-C10.	<p>Other Informational Items</p> <p>a. Ogimaawin Indigenous Education Council Report (of the October 31, 2023 meeting) b. Senate Report (of the November 20, 2023 meeting)</p>	
	<p>Item for Discussion from the Consent Agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7-C8: Board Learning and Liaison Committee (BLLC) Report <p>The BLLC Committee Chair announced that the Committee has begun planning for the Board Winter Retreat in February 2024. All Board members were invited to share ideas and comments with regards to the theme, focus and/or appropriate professional development session(s) that they would like to see incorporated into the program for the February Retreat. The deadline for feedback is mid December and comments can be sent directly to the BLLC Chair.</p>	
8.	<p>Blue Ribbon Panel Report - Discussion</p> <p>The final report of the Blue-Ribbon Panel on Financial Sustainability in the Postsecondary Education Sector was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p> <p>The President and Vice-Chancellor highlighted some of the recommendations within the report and talked about the next steps. Discussion ensued.</p>	<p>Dr. Gillian Siddall, Maria Vasanelli</p>
9.	<p>Strategic Plan Update</p> <p>The presentation was added to the meeting package during the meeting.</p> <p>The President and Vice-Chancellor provided context.</p>	<p>Dr. Gillian Siddall, Dr. Heather Murchison</p>

	<p>Highlights from the presentation included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● retaining and attracting talent for the North ● supporting equity, access and social mobility ● fueling economic development and diversification ● leading regional research that works ● priorities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Collaborative Doctor of Veterinary Medicine Program ○ Orillia Campus expansion project ○ Gichi Kendaasiwin Center project ○ financial sustainabilities ● overview of high-level framework ● overview of governance approach <p>The Board Chair invited any Board members who are interested in participating in the Strategic Plan consultation process to contact her directly.</p> <p>Discussion ensued.</p>	
10.	<p>In Camera Session and Lunch Break</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 10:29pm, the Board adjourned to an in camera session. Marcie Morrison, 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 3:41pm.</p> <p>Rajni Agarwal, Brandon Amyot, Karen Boz, Peter Caldwell, Thomas Kehoe, Marcie Morrison, Michael Nitz, Yvonne Roussel, Anna Sampson, Brent Sylvester and members of the President’s Executive Team left the meeting during the in camera session.</p>	Maria Vasanelli
10.1	<p>Motions Arising from the In Camera Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Pension Plan Text Amendments 	Yvonne Roussel

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ MOVED that the proposed amendments to the Lakehead University Employee Pension Plan (LUEPP) be approved, as circulated, effective July 1, 2023. CARRIED ○ MOVED that the proposed amendments to the Pension Plan for Professional Staff at Lakehead University (LUF) be approved, as circulated, effective July 1, 2023. CARRIED ○ CARRIED ● Collaborative Doctor of Veterinary Medicine Program (CDVMP): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ MOVED to endorse the continued development of the Collaborative Doctor of Veterinary Medicine Program (CDVMP) and to approve the proposal from McCallum Sather for design of the CDVMP in the amount \$1,519,279. CARRIED 	
11.	<p>Other Business</p> <p>There was no other business.</p>	Maria Vasanelli
<p>The meeting adjourned at 3:41pm.</p> <p>The next Board of Governors meeting is on February 8, 2023, from 9:00am - 1:00pm (ET).</p>		

 Maria Vasanelli, Chair

 Yvonne Roussel, Secretary