

Board Learning & Liaison Committee

Approved by: Board of Governors

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PURPOSE

In alignment with the University's Strategic Plan, the Board Learning & Liaison Committee focuses on the professional development of Board members, and promotion of collegial governance.

MANDATE

The Board Learning & Liaison Committee is a Standing Committee of the Lakehead University Board of Governors, with the primary roles of:

- Facilitating liaison to build relationships with the Senate, Alumni Association, Ogimaawin Indigenous Education Council (OIEC), and the Lakehead University Student Union (LUSU) through speakers, presentations, and social events
- Managing the Board Mentorship program in accordance with Board of Governors Mentorship Program Guidelines and Process
- Considering matters pertaining to teaching and learning, research, the student experience, scholarships, and others, and make recommendations to the Board regarding professional development opportunities and/or presentations for members of the Board
- Educating the Board about the role of, and relevant initiatives of the Senate, Alumni Association, OIEC, and LUSU
- Recommending to the Board the annual orientation program, winter term retreat, and other professional development opportunities for new and existing Board members
- Reviewing and making recommendations on policies within their scope to the Board of Governors
- Preparing an Annual Report for the Board of Governors.

COMPOSITION

- President of the University (ex officio)
- Immediate Past Chair of the Board (ex officio)
- A minimum of three external members with preference give to new members**

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- One student Member of the Board (ex officio)
 - One faculty Senator Member of the Board (ex officio)
 - One OIEC Member of the Board (ex officio)
 - One Alumni Member of the Board (ex officio)

***"new" refers to members of the Board who have been on the Board for one year or less.

All Board members shall be invited to each meeting (non-voting).

Resources (Executive Team Members and/or Senior Management Team Members who are copied on meeting materials, and regularly invited to attend the BLRC meetings):

- *Provost and Vice-President (Academic)*
- *Vice-President (Research and Innovation)*
- *University Secretary who shall be the Secretary to the Committee (non-voting)*