

**BOARD OF GOVERNORS' MEETING #11-254**  
**Friday, June 3, 2011 at 4 p.m. in OA 2014 Orillia Campus**

**MINUTES**

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Present:	Mr. C. Bruce, Chair	Mr. T. Morris
* teleconference	Mr. K. Chase *	Ms. M. Phipps
	Mr. C. Clark	Ms. F. Picherack
	Mr. K. Cleghorn *	Ms. M. Ryan *
	Mr. A. Crooks *	Mr. L. Sevean *
	Mr. K. Dahl	Ms. K. Spurvey *
	Mr. C. Fernyc	Dr. B. Stevenson
	Ms. J. Flett	Mr. D. Tamblyn
	Dr. C. Gottardo	Mr. M. Tilbury
	Mr. D. Heroux *	Mr. B. Waite
	Mr. G. Labine *	
Regrets:	Ms. N. Bouchard	Mr. B. McKinnon
	Ms. E. Carter	Dr. S.D. Stone
	Dr. G. Hayman	Mr. M. Walberg
	Mr. L. Hoey	Mr. E. Zakrewski
	Mr. A. LeBlanc	
Secretary:	Ms. K. Roche (non-voting)	
Observers:	Ms. R. Blais	Mr. M. Pawlowski
	Mr. L. Gould	Ms. B. Sabourin
	Dr. M. McPherson *	Mr. R. Wang
	Mr. G. Munt	
Guests:	Dr. M.L. Hill *	Mrs. K. Ramsdale *
	Dr. Tim Kaiser	Ms. L. Rovere

## **GUEST SPEAKER**

Dr. Tim Kaiser, Associate Professor, Anthropology, spoke to the Board about Inquiry Courses and how they define the Interdisciplinary Program.

### **1. Need for In Camera Items to be Declared**

The Chair reminded members that items arising that need in camera attention should be declared point of discovery and asked if there were any items to declare. There were no additional in camera items declared.

2. **Approval of Agenda**

MOVED (K. Dahl/C. Clark) that the agenda be approved as distributed.  
CARRIED

3. **Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

The Chair reminded members of the need to declare conflicts of interest.

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

4. **Approval of Minutes of the Board of Governors' Meeting of April 20, 2011**

MOVED (C. Gottardo/M. Tilbury) that the Minutes of the Board of Governors' Meeting of April 20, 2011 be approved as distributed.  
CARRIED

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

There was no business arising from the minutes.

6. **Consent Agenda**

MOVED (C. Clark/M. Phipps) that the Consent Agenda be approved.

6.1 Audit & Risk Management Committee Report

6.2 Governance Committee Report

6.3 Nominating Committee Report

6.4 Northern Ontario School of Medicine (NOSM) Committee Report  
NOSM *Community Report 2010* was distributed at the meeting.

6.5 Operations Committee Report

6.6 Senate Liaison Committee Report

6.7 Student Liaison Committee Report

6.8 University Advancement Committee Report was distributed at the meeting.

6.9 Report of the Lakehead University Student Union (LUSU)

6.10 Report from the Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre Board

6.11 Report of the Northern Ontario School of Medicine

6.12 Report on the Canadian University Boards Association (CUBA) Conference

6.13 Ratification of Adjunct Professors

- Dr. Sandra Jeppesen
- Dr. Anthony Taylor
- Dr. Charles Xu

6.14 Appointment of Chair

- Prof. Gerald Phillips

CARRIED

**7. Chair's Report**

Mr. Colin Bruce reported that the Alumni Awards Dinner was held in the Residence Cafeteria. Five alumni received awards:

Alumni Honour Award - Steve Ashton, Manitoba Provincial Cabinet Minister  
Alumni Honour Award - Dave Shannon, Human Rights Activist and Lawyer  
Alumni Volunteer of the Year Award - Vonnie Cheng, Dedicated Alumni Volunteer  
Young Alumni Award - Shy-Anne Hovorka, Singer, Songwriter and Musician  
Young Alumni Award - Michael Power, CEO of Thunder Bay Regional Research Institute and Vice President of Cancer and Diagnostic Services at Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre

Lakehead University held four Convocation Ceremonies in Thunder Bay on May 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>. As well, the Chancellor's Dinner was held on Friday, May 29<sup>th</sup>.

**8. President's Report**

Dr. Brian Stevenson reported that Dr. Rod Hanley has accepted the offer for the appointment of Vice-President (Academic).

Senate had approved the Faculty of Law program and the establishment of a Faculty of Law at Lakehead University at its May 2011 regular meeting.

Dr. Brian Stevenson met with MPPs to discuss provincial funding for Lakehead University's plans for a Kendaasiwin Centre and to encourage provincial approval for funding for the Faculty of Law. Lakehead University has obtained letters from municipalities and organizations in support of these initiatives.

Mr. Gerry Munt discussed the Lakehead University 2011-12 Strategic Plan Objectives and how progress on these objectives will be reported to the Board. The form that will be used to report to the Board was distributed with the meeting materials.

**9. Finance & Investment Committee Report**

Mr. Chris Fernyc summarized the Finance & Investment Committee report that was distributed with the meeting materials.

Mr. Michael Pawlowski had presented the Operating Budget in detail and the 2010-11 Operating Budget Update at the meeting of the Committee of the Whole Meeting on June 3, 2011.

MOVED (C. Fernyc/C. Clark) that the Board of Governors approve the 2011/12 operating budget aggregating \$110.648 million of income and \$111.969 million of expenditures and the use of \$1.321 million of accumulated surplus to offset the 2011/12 operating deficit.  
CARRIED

**10. Report of the Task Force held on June 3, 2011**

Mr. Colin Bruce reported that Nancy Simmons Smith who is experienced in university governance spoke to the Task Force about the mandates of boards and committee structures at universities in Ontario. The Task Force asked many questions. The Task Force will be meeting over the next few months and will report by email to the Board members.

**11. Report of the Committee of the Whole held on June 3, 2011**

Ms. Frances Picherack reported on the discussions at the Committee of the Whole noting that the Board Secretary had summarized the current misalignment of the by-laws and practices with respect to official observers. The Chair of the Board had reviewed the history and evolution of Official Observers referring to a time when Board meetings were closed. Official Observers were created to ensure transparency and accountability. Board meetings are now open to the public.

11.1 MOVED (F. Picherack/C. Fernyc) that the Official Observers status associated with Lakehead University's Board of Governors be eliminated.  
CARRIED

Ms. Frances Picherack summarized the discussions held at the Committee of the Whole noting that the Board meetings are open and the agenda is widely distributed. She noted that the current By-laws specify that all committee and Board materials are confidential until dealt with at an open public meeting. In recognition that staff may need information or reports in advance of an open public meeting to assist the Board, the President or the Secretary could be authorized to release the material to the staff or faculty with the required protection of confidentiality.

11.2 MOVED (F. Picherack/C. Gottardo) that the Board authorizes the President and Secretary to release confidential Board materials when required for Board associated material preparation or Board meeting attendance.  
CARRIED

The Board recommended that the Governance Committee review the By-

laws and policies related to the Official Observers and prepare draft revisions for the Board meeting in September.

## 12. Promotion and Tenure

12.1 MOVED (C. Gottardo/C. Clark) that the Board confirms the granting of **PROMOTION** to Professor to the following, effective July 1, 2011, as recommended at the April 18 and 19, 2011 Promotion, Tenure and Renewal Committee meetings:

- Dr. Janice Hughes, Department of Biology
- Dr. Gregory Spivak, Department of Chemistry
- Dr. Adam VanTuyl, Department of Mathematical Sciences
- Dr. Rachid Benlamri, Department of Software Engineering
- Dr. Dimiter Alexandrov, Department of Electrical Engineering
- Dr. Wa Gao, Department of Civil Engineering
- Dr. Baoqiang Liao, Department of Chemical Engineering

CARRIED

12.2 MOVED (M. Tilbury/C. Fernyc) that the Board confirms the granting of **TENURE** to the following effective July 1, 2011, as recommended at the April 18 and 19, 2011 Promotion, Tenure and Renewal Committee meetings and subsequent special meetings:

- Dr. Lingyun (Lily) Wu, Department of Health Sciences
- Dr. Rodney S. Hanley, Department of Biology
- Dr. Karen Reynolds, Faculty of Education

CARRIED

12.3 MOVED (B. Stevenson/C. Gottardo) that Dr. Rod Hanley be appointed as the Provost and Vice-President (Academic).

CARRIED

## 13. Other Reports and Information Items

The Chair reminded the Board that these are informational items and do not require motions. He noted that if motions are contained in the reports, the report would be pulled from the consent agenda and dealt with as a separate item.

13.1 Report of the Board of Governors' Representative to Senate

The Report of the Board of Governors' Representative to Senate was distributed at the meeting.

13.2 Report of the Alumni Association

The Report of the Alumni Association was distributed at the meeting.

13.3 Board Members with Terms Expiring - after September 30, 2011 Annual Board Meeting

Mr. Cam Clarke – elected member  
Mr. Andy Crooks – elected member  
Mr. David Heroux – elected member  
Mr. Anthony LeBlanc - elected member  
Ms. Frances Picherack – elected member  
Mr. David Tamblyn – elected member  
Mr. Lynne Sevean – non-union, non-faculty member  
Dr. Christine Gottardo – Senate representative  
Mr. Tom Morris – LGIC member  
Mr. Bruce Waite – LGIC member  
Ms. Erin Carter – LUSU Graduate representative  
Ms. Katie Spurvey – LUSU Undergraduate representative  
Ms. Margaret Ryan – LUSU Undergraduate representative  
Mr. Brian McKinnon – City of Thunder Bay representative

14. **Motions Arising out of Committee Reports**

There were no motions arising out of the Committee Reports.

15. **In Camera Meeting**

15.1 MOVED (K. Dahl/T. Morris) that Mr. Michael Pawlowski remain for the in camera meeting.  
CARRIED

15.2 MOVED (F. Picherack/C. Clark) that the Board of Governors move to an in camera meeting.  
CARRIED

ADJOURN

MOVED (M. Phipps/F. Picherack) that the meeting be adjourned.  
CARRIED

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Colin Bruce, Chair

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Karen Roche, Secretary