

Report of the Senator on the Board of Governors

Senate Meeting #5-2016, May 11, 2016

Board of Governors Meeting #16-282 was held in the Senate Chambers on April 21, 2016.

Chair of the Board Murray Walberg reported that Bonnie Patterson has been engaged to evaluate board governance through the Board Governance and Nominating Committee. He also reported that the President's annual review is underway, and that it would be completed in camera at the June Board meeting.

President Brian Stevenson reported on lobby days at Queens Park and Ottawa that focused on the single issue of the proposed Gichi Kendaasiwin Centre to enhance the culturally welcoming learning environment for Aboriginal learners at Lakehead's Thunder Bay campus. He also reported on an agreement between Lakehead University and Simcoe County District School Board to recruit international students. Appointments of Chairs of Departments, Directors of Schools and adjunct faculty were reported for information only.

The Board heard a presentation by Kathy Pozihun on the 2016/17 operating budget. Following the presentation the Board approved the 2016/17 operating budget aggregating \$124,023,000 of income and \$124,023,000 of expenditures. The Board also approved the 2016/17 ancillary budget with a proposed surplus of \$391,000.

The Board approved incorporation of the Lakehead University (Hong Kong) Foundation Limited on recommendation from the Board Finance and Operations Committee. The creation of this foundation was proposed by the Office of External Relations. The Board also approved new policies for the naming of property and gift acceptance, also proposed by the Office of External Relations.

The Board held an in-camera meeting to discuss confidential matters.

Following the Board meeting, the Committee of the Whole met in the Governance Conference Room to hear presentations on student assistance and Aboriginal initiatives at Lakehead University.

The next meeting of the Board of Governors will be held on the campus of Georgian College in Barrie, Ontario on June 3, a day prior to convocation at Lakehead's Orillia campus.

Respectfully submitted,

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