

In attendance: Grant Machum (Chair), Dianne Taylor-Gearing (President), John Carruthers (Treasurer), Julia Rivard-Dexter (Vice-Chair), Gord Whittaker, ME Luka, Ian Austen, Caleb Hung, Elizabeth Currie, Jeff Somerville, Yalitsa Riden, Rudi Meyer  
Invited: Kenn Honeychurch (VP Academic and Provost), Sharon Johnson-Legere (VP Finance)  
Regrets: Kim Knoll, Ross Cantwell, Rob Cameron  
Absent: Michael Donovan, RB Dimitrieff, Margaret Fountain, Rick Emberley

1. Meeting called to order at 3:00 with the establishment of quorum
2. No declarations of conflict of interest were brought forward.
3. J. Somerville moved to accept the agenda as circulated. No discussion. Motion carried.
4. No changes were requested to the meeting minutes of July 15, 2014, and so the Chair declared them Adopted.
5. Business arising from the minutes:
  - a. Demographic data regarding indigenous populations of NSCAD – C. Hung spoke to the difficulty in securing this information, and deferred a presentation to the next Board meeting to give him more time to collect information.
  - b. Resignation of J. Mills: G. Machum reported that the Governance committee recommends the acceptance of this resignation, after discussions with affected parties.

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| I. Austen moved to accept the resignation of Jim Mills. No discussion. Motion carried. |
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6. Key Correspondence: The Chair read aloud a letter received by Dan O'Brien from Duff Montgomerie, the Deputy Minister of Labour and Advanced Education. The Chair also spoke to a letter received from a Chronicle Herald reporter regarding public vs. private Board meetings, and informed the Board that this matter is being discussed by the Governance committee, who will have a report and recommendations for the next Board meeting.

7. President's Report: The report was circulated under separate cover. Highlights include the cautiously optimistic student enrolment numbers from the registrar, including the success of strategic transfers and articulation agreements (ie. 2+2 programs with NSCC). International enrolment is +25, the highest it has been for 15 years. The President also detailed the myriad activities she has been engaged in on behalf of the university, and praised the students on a successful Orientation week. She completed her report with an update and request for guidance regarding the IAC.
8. Consent Agenda: There being no objections, the following items in the consent agenda are considered adopted: Officer's Certificate of Statutory Remittances.
9. Nomination Recommendation Report: presented under separate cover. I. Austen moved to adopt the report and therefore accept all the recommendations therein. No discussion. Motion carried. (see Annual Meeting Review for full report text)
10. Recommended Appointments from the Provost and Vice President Academic: K. Honeychurch presented four names as Research Fellows with accompanying credentials. He further requested that the fellowship for Dr. Klein be extended to coincide with the project on which he is working.

I. Austen moved to accept the appointments of Bryan Maycock, John Christie and Gord Morrison, and the extension of Dr. Klein as Research Fellows. Motion carried.

K. Honeychurch then presented the case for Assistant Professor Rory MacDonald to be promoted to Associate Professor.

R. Meyer moved to accept the promotion of Rory MacDonald to Associate Professor. Motion carried.

K. Honeychurch presented two applications for Canada Research Chair, asking that the Board support these applications with the understanding that the Board will be further asked to accept the appointments should the applicants be successful.

M. Luka moved to support the submissions of Kim Morgan and Jamie Allen for Canada Research Chair appointments. Motion carried.

11. The Non-Union Employee Handbook as amended on June 18, 2014 was circulated under separate cover.

I Austen moved to adopt the updated Non-Union Employee Handbook. Motion carried.

12. The Investment Policy as amended August 2014 was circulated under separate cover. After discussion of the use of benchmarks,

J. Carruthers moved to adopt the Investment Policy as amended. Motion carried.

13. Fountain Donation – an indicative list of costs for possible projects was circulated and discussed. It was agreed that a list of this nature may bring stakeholders to believe that the decisions have already been made, undermining the consultation process that is underway. Understanding that some of the spending is required as a condition of the donation (signage), and that through the consultations some is already agreed upon (fire safety):

C. Hung moved that the Board approve spending of the Fountain donation funds immediately for the detailed projects of signage, exterior cosmetics, boiler control and fire safety. The balance of the donation allocation will wait for the completion of the Academic Research Committee's brief in principle for the design of space to enhance the student experience. Motion carried.

14. Starfish Disbursement: the recommended disbursement was circulated under separate cover, splitting the funds over several scholarships while holding back enough to ensure the success of next year's event.

E. Currie moved to accept the disbursement of Starfish funds recommended by the Advancement committee. Motion carried.

15. Report from Audit & Risk Oversight: J. Somerville presented the latest approved minutes, and spoke to the recent RFP for assistance in setting up an Enterprise Risk Management system, which will be the focus of the committee for the coming year. The next meeting of the A&RO committee is scheduled for November 12.
16. Report from Advancement: E. Currie presented the latest approved minutes, and highlighted the 2013/14 Annual Fund success and areas for further improvement. The next meeting of the Adv. committee is scheduled for November 5.
17. Report from Financial & Physical Resources: J. Carruthers presented the latest approved minutes, and spoke to the investments as reviewed at the August 26<sup>th</sup> committee meeting. The next meeting of the F&PR committee is scheduled for October 28.

18. In Camera: no in camera session was required

19. Other Business: G. Machum presented a certificate to Rudi Meyer, outgoing governor, and thanked him for his years of service. He also extended thanks to all the outgoing governors who were not in attendance.

20. Adjournment – moved by Y. Riden, motion carried.

*Recorded by Andrea Murray, Executive Assistant Governance*