MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

SEPTEMBER 24, 2019

The meeting was held at 1:00 p.m. in the Cherry Room, Ivey Spencer Leadership Centre.

PRESENT: P. Jenkins, Chair
           K. Kwan, Secretary
           S. Bennett
           W. Boye
           C. Burghardt-Jesson
           G. Dick
           K. Gibbons
           E. Holder
           C. Karakatsanis
           D. Keddy
           R. Konrad
           K. Mequanint
           G. Parraga
           M. Robinson
           C. Rorabeck
           B. Ross
           A. Shepard
           S. Shortreed
           C. Stephenson
           P. Thomlinson
           S. Trosow
           J. Toswell
           H. Usher


Regrets: S. Chrominska, M. Lerner, K. Sullivan

Land Acknowledgement

D. Keddy read a Land Acknowledgement.

Chair’s Remarks

The Chair welcomed President Alan Shepard, Dr. Samuel Trosow and Dr. Sarah Prichard to the Western University Board of Governors.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

The President discussed the following items:

- Incoming Class – 2019/2020
- 3rd Annual World’s Challenge Challenge
- Times Higher Education Teaching Excellence Summit
- International Association for College Admission Counseling
- 7th annual See the Line symposium on concussion research
- Next round of Strategic Mandate Agreements (SMA3) for Ontario’s postsecondary institutions
- Meetings Ross Romano (Minister of Training, Colleges & Universities), Merilee Fullerton (Minister of Long-Term Care), and David Piccini (Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister)
UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGENDA [Appendix I]

It was moved by H. Usher, seconded by R. Konrad,

That the 14 items listed in Appendix I, Unanimous Consent Agenda be approved or received for information.

CARRIED

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The open session minutes of the meeting of June 27, 2019 were approved as circulated.

Business Arising from the Minutes

There were no items noted as business arising from the June 27, 2019 minutes.

REPORT OF THE PROPERTY & FINANCE COMMITTEE [Appendix II]

Prior to considering the Report of the Property & Finance Committee, K. Gibbons noted that there were no additional details of the Committee’s work to add.

Information Items Reported by the Property & Finance Committee

Appendix II, Report of the Property & Finance Committee, detailed in Appendix II, contained the following items that were received for information by unanimous consent:

- Scholarships, Awards, Prizes
- McEwen Western Integrated Science Professorship

REPORT OF THE SENIOR POLICY & OPERATIONS COMMITTEE [Appendix III]

Prior to considering the Report of the Senior Policy & Operations Committee, P. Jenkins indicated that there were no additional details to add.

Information Items reported by the Senior Policy & Operations Committee

Appendix III, Report of the Senior Policy & Operations Committee, contained the following item that was received for information by unanimous consent:

- Committee Appointments

REPORT OF THE GOVERNANCE & BY-LAWS COMMITTEE [Appendix IV]

Prior to considering the Report of the Governance and By-Laws Committee, R. Konrad provided a high-level overview of the recent work of the Committee.

Principles of Engagement for Board Committee Chairs

It was moved by G. Parraga, seconded by S. Bennett,

That the Board of Governors approve the Principles of Engagement for Board Committee Chairs, as shown in Appendix IV, Annex 1.

CARRIED
BG.19-97  **Information Items reported by the Governance and By-Laws Committee**

Appendix IV, Report of the Governance and By-Laws Committee, contained the following item that was received for information by unanimous consent:

- Board of Governors By-Election Schedule – Fall 2019

**REPORT OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE** [Appendix V]

Prior to considering the Report of the Audit Committee, S. Bennett provided a high-level overview of the recent work of the Committee.

BG.19-98  **Audited Financial Statements for the Year Ended April 30, 2019**

It was moved by R. Konrad, seconded by G. Dick,

    That the Board of Governors approve the draft audited combined financial statements for the University for the fiscal year ended April 30, 2019 (Appendix V, Annex 1, Section 1).

    CARRIED

BG.19-99  **Information Items reported by the Audit Committee**

Appendix V, Report of the Audit Committee, contained the following items that were received for information by unanimous consent:

- Financial Statements – Related Companies
- Annual Report on Non-Discrimination/Harassment Policy
- Western Retirement Plans Report September 2019

**REPORT OF THE FUND RAISING AND DONOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE** [Appendix VI]

Prior to considering the Report of the Fund Raising and Donor Relations Committee, C. Stephenson provided a high-level overview of the recent work of the Committee.

BG.19-100  **Information Items reported by the Fund Raising and Donor Relations Committee**

Appendix VI, Report of the Fund Raising and Donor Relations Committee, contained the following item that was received for information by unanimous consent:

- Fund Raising Initiatives Quarterly Report to July 31, 2019

**REPORT OF THE MCINTOSH GALLERY COMMITTEE** [Appendix VII]

BG.19-101  **Information Items reported by the McIntosh Gallery Committee**

Appendix VII, Report of the McIntosh Gallery Committee, contained the following item that was received for information by unanimous consent:

- McIntosh Gallery Report to the Board of Governors – September 2019
ITEMS REFERRED BY SENATE [Appendix VIII]

BG.19-102 Information Items Referred by Senate

Appendix VIII, Items Referred by Senate, contained the following items that were received for information by unanimous consent:

- Honourary Degree Recipients – Fall 2019
- Report of the Academic Colleague
- Academic Administrative Appointments

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned to the confidential session at 1:21 p.m.

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P. Jenkins
Chair

K. Kwan
Secretary