



BOARD OF GOVERNORS

PUBLIC SESSION

MINUTES

Webex

Thursday, April 21, 2022
4 p.m.

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- Present: David Agnew
Justin Chu
Shafiq Ebrahim
Steven Linthwaite
Ellen Malcolmson
Maria May
Kimberly Moran
Peivand Pirouzi
Jerin Raj
Alim Remtulla
Ashif Somani, Chair
Winston Stewart
Belinda Tang
- Regrets: Fareed Amin
Chris Bullen
Alice Thomas
- Staff: Ranjan Bhattacharya, Dean, Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering Technology
Christine Blake, Dean, Academic Learning Services
Ivy Chiu Loke, Dean, Academic Quality
Renata D’Innocenzo, Vice-President, Students and Strategy and Chief of Staff,
President’s Office; Corporate Secretary
Cindy Fong, Registrar
Don Forster, Director, Office of Sustainability
Nevzat Gurmen, Vice-President, Finance and Administration; Board Treasurer
Dean Hughes, Executive Director, Advancement and Alumni
Radha Krishnan, Vice-President, Information Services
Corey Long, Executive Director, Communications
Marianne Marando, Vice-President, Academic
Kimberley Minott, Executive Assistant to the Vice-President, Students and Strategy
and Assistant to the Board of Governors; Recorder
Claire Moane, Dean, Academic Initiatives
Naaz Mohamed, Director, Financial Services
Kurt Muller, Dean, Faculty of Communication, Art and Design
Caroline Riley, Vice-President, Human Resources
Mark Solomon, Dean of Students and Indigenous Education

The Board of Governors participated in the Land Acknowledgement.

The chair called the board meeting to order at 4 p.m. and welcomed new governor Alim Remtulla to his first board meeting.

The chair congratulated Chris Bullen on receiving a medal honouring his more than 30 years of service with the York Regional Police and Jerin Raj on recently becoming a Canadian citizen.

There was no *Conflict of Interest* declared.

1. Approval of Minutes – February 24, 2022

Peivand Pirouzi moved, seconded by Maria May, “That the Board of Governors approve the February 24, 2022 public session minutes”.

CARRIED

2. President’s Report

In addition to the written report provided, President Agnew highlighted:

- new vice-president, human resources Caroline Riley attending her first board meeting
- murder of Kartik Vasudev, a first-semester international student in the Marketing Management graduate certificate program, on Thursday, April 7
- provincial government: budget expected to be released as kick-off to election campaign; no financial announcements expected for the postsecondary sector; recent announcement permits colleges to offer three-year degrees; advocacy efforts on ability to offer applied master’s degrees has not resulted in an announcement but will continue post-election
- federal government: budget released recently with no major announcements related to postsecondary
- King community recreation centre: ground-breaking ceremony taking place tomorrow, Friday, April 22
- continuing to support Ukrainian students
- COVID-19 pandemic: observing more cases occurring in the community; safety efforts related to contact tracing, not coming on campus if ill and advising if test positive continue
- vaccination policy: announcement made to community today that mask mandate will continue for summer term; support from unions as well as student federation on vaccination and mask policies being kept in place for summer term
- funding announcements: received \$2M grant to run a series of workshops to help women displaced by pandemic and from disadvantaged communities acquire skills to get back into the workforce; received more than \$600,000 in funding for a new research centre in artificial intelligence, the Centre for Innovation in Artificial Intelligence Technologies (CIAIT)

3. Other Business
None.

4. Date of Next Meeting: Thursday, June 9, 2022; details to be confirmed

5. Adjournment


Ellen Malcolmson moved, seconded by Steven Linthwaite, “That the public session adjourn and move in camera”.

CARRIED

The public session adjourned at 4:15 p.m. to move to the in camera session.



Chair



Corporate Secretary