



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

**APRIL 27, 2023 – OPEN SESSION**

The meeting was held at the Western Interdisciplinary Research Building, Room 3000 and on Zoom.

**PRESENT:**

Keith Gibbons, Chair  
Amy Bryson, Secretary

Kenisha Arora	Stephen Pitel
Susan Bennett	Geoff Pollock
Wade Boye	Stephen Poloz
Arzie Chant	Cecil Rorabeck
Ethan Chen	Effie Sapuridis
Greg Dick	Alan Shepard
Lori Higgs	
Beth MacDougall- Shackleton	
Marlene McGrath	

Moved by G. Pollock, seconded by S. Shortreed:

That the agenda for the open session be approved, as circulated.

CARRIED

BG.23-42 **Approval of the Open Session Minutes of the Meeting of February 2, 2023**

Moved by C. Rorabeck, seconded by M. McGrath:

That the open session minutes of the meeting of February 2, 2023 be approved, as circulated.

CARRIED

**Business Arising from the Minutes**

None.

BG.23-43 **Report of the President**

A. Shepard, President & Vice-Chancellor, reported on recent activities and events including the Engage Western event and the announcement of the new electric vehicle battery plant in St. Thomas. With respect to the latter, A. Shepard leading Volvo to locate the plant in St. Thomas.

A. Shepard continued his report by describing the various donations to the University that have been announced recently.

In concluding, A. Shepard reported on the successful year and noted planning is already underway for Orientation Week. In response to a question, he confirmed the plan is to implement similar measures as those in place this past September.

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BG.23-44 **2023-24**

BG.23-46 **2023-24 Budgets for Student Fee Funded Units, Ancillaries, Academic Support Units and Associated Companies**

On behalf of the Property and Finance Committee, G. Dick presented for approval the 2023-24 budgets for student fee funded units, ancillaries, academic support units and associated companies.

Moved by G. Dick, seconded by G. Pollock:

That the Board of Governors approve the 2023-24 budgets for Student Fee Funded Units, Ancillaries, and Academic Support Units, as shown in Item 4.1(a)(iii), Table 1,

And,

That the ancillary fees collected by the University will be as detailed in Item 4.1(a)(iii), Table 2 for full-time students and Table 3 for part-time students as supported by the Student Services Committee.

BG.23-47 **Annual Report and Recommendations of the Student Services Committee**

The annual report of the Student Services Committee regarding full-time student activity fee rates was received for information in item 4.1(a)(iv).

BG.23-48 **Revisions to By-Law No. 1 and to Rules of Procedure for Meetings**

A. Bryson presented for approval the revisions to By-Law No. 1 and to the Rules of Procedure at Meetings. The amendments were described.

Moved by M. McGrath, seconded by S. Shortreed:

That on the recommendation of the Governance and By-Laws Committee, the Board of Governors approve the amendments to By-Law No. 1 as outlined in item 4.2(a)

Moved by S. Shortreed, seconded by S. Bennett:

That on the recommendation of the Governance and By-Laws Committee, the Board of Governors approve the amendments to *the Presidential Review Protocol* as outlined in item 4.2(b).

CARRIED

BG.23-50

**Revisions to Terms of Reference of the Senior Policy and Operations Committee**

A. Bryson presented for approval revisions to the Terms of Reference of the Senior Policy and Operations Committee. The rationale for the proposed revision was described. In response to a question, it was confirmed the change does not preclude presentations from Communications coming to the Board.



BG.23-60 **Advice re: 2023-24 University Operating and Capital Budgets**

operating and capital budgets for 2023-27 and their recommendation for approval was received for information in item 5.4(d).

BG.23-61 **Vice-Provost's Annual Report on Faculty Recruitment and Retention**

The annual report on faculty recruitment and retention was received for information in item 5.4(e).

**ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

BG.23-62 **Fund Raising Quarterly Report (Q3)**

presented the fund raising quarterly report as provided in item 5.2(a) year with more than \$85 million in donations expected by year end.

volunteers, Advancement staff team, deans and all of those involved in the raising of funds for the university.

C. Rorabeck extended appreciation to the University Advancement team.

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BG.23-64 **OTHER BUSINESS**

W. Boye shared information on a number of recent and upcoming events including the National Day of Mourning that is recognized in Canada annually on April 28; a