

Meeting: Board of Governors

Date: September 24, 2021

Meeting Minutes

Present: Vera Holmes (Chair), Chris Milner, Alser Sugasawa, Joel Cubley, Jason Bilsky, Kathleen Van Bibber, Tom Ullyett, Mark Wedge, Pearl Callaghan, Carol Geddes, Vera Holmes, Erica Bourdon, Jennifer Harkes, James Allen

Regrets: David Morrison, Christine Mahar, Judy Gingell

Staff: Lesley Brown (President), Maggie Matear, Lacia Kinnear, Robin Bradasch, Janet Welch, Sheila Silva, Shelagh Rowles, Bronwyn Hancock, Erin Symington (Recorder)

Guests: Lana Dar, Michelle Spence, & Murray Mackwood (OAG)

James Allen provided an opening moment of reflection

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT	None
OF INTEREST	
AGENDA	MOVED by Jason Bilsky, SECONDED by Kathleen Van Bibber
	that the Board of Governors approve the agenda as presented. CARRIED.
CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS	MOVED by Erica Bourdon, SECONDED by Pearl Callaghan that the Board of Governors approve the items in the consent agenda as presented. CARRIED.

REPORT FROM BOARD CHAIR Vice-Chair Vera Holmes did not have a report to provide.

REPORT FROM PRESIDENT President Lesley Brown provided a verbal report to the

Board.

Lesley highlighted that she has met with various supporters of the University, stakeholders, and government officials

over the last month.

REPORT FROM FARCOAG joined the meeting at 2:04pm

The Chair of the Finance, Audit & Risk Committee Chris Milner provided an update from the meetings on September

17th, 2021:

 The OAG provided a brief overview of the draft audit report and the Report to the Finance, Audit and Risk



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Committee for YukonU's financial statements for the 9 months ending March 31st, 2021 which was provided in the meeting package for review.

- The Board variance report was presented to FARC and the projected expenditures remains within the Board's annual budget or the 2021/2022 fiscal year.
- The Yukon University Annual Report was approved by FARC and has been provided in the meeting package for approval by the Board.
- Policy BOG-09 was approved by FARC and is provided in the meeting package for approval by the Board.
- Administration made a proposal to FARC with respect to a tuition fee increase for the 2022-23 academic year. The proposal which shows the changes, rate of percentage increase, and projected revenue for the next three academic years was provided in the meeting package. FARC approved that administration carry out consultation on this recommended tuition fee increase and has provided it in the meeting package as information for the Board.
- Administration highlighted three urgent infrastructure and service funding requirements of the University that were proposed to be addressed by withdrawing from reserve funds for \$526,000 FARC approved this request and asked for Board approval.

Chris prompted the following motions from the recent FARC meeting recommendations.

MOVED by Mark Wedge, SECONDED by Jason Bilsky that the Board approve the draft OAG Audit Report and the YU Financial Statements for the 9 months ending March 31st, 2021 as presented. CARRIED



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MOVED by Joel Cubley, SECONDED by Jennifer Harkes that the Board approve the Annual Report as presented. **CARRIED**

MOVED by Carol Geddes, SECONDED by Tom Ullyett that the Board approves Policy BOG-09 as presented. **CARRIED**

MOVED by Jason Bilsky, SECONDED by the Board of Governors approve that administration draw on \$526,000 of reserve funds to allocate towards IT and Covid related expenses. CARRIED.

REPORT FROM HR COMMITTEE The Chair of the Human Resources Committee, Tom Ullyett provided an update from the meeting on September 17th, 2021.

> Tom provided an update on Administration's work on the following:

- The Board Evaluations have been completed and the HR Chair will discuss the results with the Board during an In Camera session at the next Board meeting in January.
- The Board Matrix continues to be updated and will be provided to the Board once complete.
- The HR Committee is working with the Director of HR to create a summary of the HR Dashboard to present to the Board.
- The HR Committee is working with the President to come up with new evaluation objectives for 2021/22 and onward.

Tom prompted the following motion from the recent HR meeting recommendation.

MOVED by Tom Ullyett, SECONDED by Carol Geddes, that the Board approves that Alser Sugasawa be appointed to the HR Committee. CARRIED.

REPORT FROM GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

The Chair of the Governance Committee, Vera Holmes provided an update from the meeting on September 17th, 2021.



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Vera provided an update on Administration's work on the following:

- Administration is working on creating a template for the Terms of Reference documents for all standing Committees of the Board and will be bringing it back to Governance at the next meeting.
- The Committee approved the final draft Board Bylaws which are provided in the meeting package for approval by the Board.
- The Committee has begun the review of policy BOG-04 and will discuss further at the next meeting.

Vera prompted motions from the recent Governance meeting recommendations.

MOVED by Lesley Brown, SECONDED by Joel Cubley, that the Board approves policy BOG-17 with the addition of a reference to the Board Matrix.

CARRIED.

MOVED by Chris Milner, SECONDED by Joel Cubley, that the Board approves the Board Bylaws as presented. CARRIED.

REPORT FROM INDIGENOUS ADVISORY CIRCLE

The Chair of the Governance Committee, Carol Geddes provided an update from the meeting on September 17th, 2021.

The group reviewed the draft Terms of Reference and would like Board input on the role and purpose of the new standing committee.

There was a suggestion that the new committee should meet more often for the first year.

Carol noted that Robin Bradasch specified she would be presenting on and facilitating a discussion on the implications of the Umbrella Final Agreement at the Board retreat in October.



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COMMUNITY CAMPUS COMMITTEE UPDATE

Shelagh Rowles, Executive Director of Continuing Studies provided an update on the Community Campus Committees.

INFORMATION FOR OCTOBER RETREAT

The draft Board retreat agenda was provided in the meeting package for review.

BOARD EDUCATION TOPIC -ENROLLMENT & PROGRAMMING Janet Welch and the Provost Table gave a presentation to the Board on enrollment and programming.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Suggested future agenda items included:

• Board Education – Financial Literacy

FARC:

• Update on Risk Management Plan

• Update on Capital Planning Process

INFORMATION ITEMS

The Board did not have any questions about the information items that were provided in the meeting package.

Items tabled until the next meeting

FARC – Pension Plan SIPP, Asset Mix, and Terms of Reference Governance - Policy BOG-01 & BOG-02 – Board approval Human Resources - In Camera Board Evaluation Results

Adjourned 5:06pm

MOVED by Chris Milner, SECONDED by Joel Cubley that the Board meeting be adjourned at 5:06pm. CARRIED.