

Special Meeting of the Board of Governors Minutes – December 20, 2023

The Board of Governors of Acadia University acknowledges that we are located in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq People.

A special meeting of the Board of Governors was held on Wednesday, December 20, 2023, at 8:00 a.m. by virtual means using Microsoft Teams.

Governors present: Henry Demone (Board Chair), Bert Frizzell (First Vice-Chair), Bruce Galloway (Chancellor), Dr. Jeff Hennessy (President and Vice-Chancellor), Bethany Moffatt, Christine Pound, Karen Hutt, Charles Coll, Christine Luckasavitch, Tracey McGillivray, Pam Mood, Matt Rios, Martin Suter, Nancy McCain, Judith Tod, Melinda Daye, Shelley Fleckenstein, Allan MacDonald, Susan MacDougall, Shanna Lespere, Stuart MacLean, Anna Robbins, Jeff Hooper, Sadie McAlear, Clive Anderson, and Andrew Davis.

Regrets: Robert Ffrench, Sundeep Oad, Lana Wood, Candy O'Connor, Stan Thomas, Dan Green, and Cora Tolliver.

1. Call to Order

H. Demone, Board Chair, called the meeting to order declaring quorum, welcomed meeting participants, and provided a territorial acknowledgement.

2. Approval of the Agenda

IT WAS MOVED by M. Suter / K. Hutt

THAT the Meeting Agenda be approved as distributed.

CARRIED.

The Chair called for a motion to move to Closed Session.

IT WAS MOVED by M. Suter / C. Pound

THAT the meeting move to Closed Session. (8:05 a.m.)

CARRIED.

The Chair called for a motion to return the meeting to Open Session.

IT WAS MOVED by T. McGillivray / M. Suter

THAT the meeting return to Open Session. (8:50 a.m.)

CARRIED.

3. The Board Chair reported on the following motions that were approved during Closed Session:

The Chair called for a motion that the Executive Compensation Policy be approved.

A discussion took place.

The motion on the Executive Compensation Policy was amended to give the President authority to fill the two open positions in accordance with the guidelines outlined in the memo circulated to the Board.

The Executive Compensation Policy will be addressed next year.

IT WAS MOVED, with one abstention, by M. Daye / P. Mood

THAT the Executive Compensation Policy be approved.

CARRIED.

The Chair called for a motion that the appointment of Erin Beaudin as Vice-President, Finance & Administration and CFO be approved.

IT WAS MOVED by J. Hennessy / B. Moffatt

THAT the appointment of Erin Beaudin as Vice-President, Finance & Administration and CFO be approved.

CARRIED.

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IT WAS MOVED by M. Suter

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:50 a.m.

Henry Demone, Chair
Jo-Anne Peckham, Recording Secretary