



Meeting of the Board of Governors

June 30, 2026 – Minutes

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 Friday, June 30, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., by virtual means using Microsoft Teams.

Governors present: Henry Demone (Chair), Bert Frizzell (First Vice-Chair), Dr. Jeff Hennessy (President and Vice-Chancellor), Andrew Davis, Dr. Anna Robbins, Bethany Moffatt, , Cathy Simpson, Charles Coll, Cora Tolliver, Ed Barrett, Emma Boles, Gale Colpitts, Dr. Jeff Banks, Mark Adam, Martin Suter, Nastasya Kennedy, Paul Black, Payton Wood, Robert McGregor, Ross Langley, Shelley Fleckenstein, Tracey McGillivray, Treyvon Nicolls, and Payton Wood.

Management present: Ashlee Cunsolo, Erin Beaudin, Scott Duguay, and Sonya Pineo (University Secretary).

Regrets: Allan MacDonald, Candy O'Connor, Clive Anderson, Rev. Dr. Dan Green, Rev. Judith R. Tod, Karen Hutt, Nancy McCain, Shanna Lespere, Stan Thomas, Tim Formuziewich, and Nancy Handrigan.

1. Call to Order

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

The Board Chair noted that this was a very short, but important agenda.

2. Approval of Meeting Agenda

IT WAS MOVED by T. McGillivray / R. Langley

THAT the Meeting Agenda be approved as distributed.

CARRIED.

- 3. Motion:** To address Acadia's multi-year, unsustainable structural operating deficit, and on the recommendation of Senate, the Board of Governors approves the establishment of the following academic structure to take effect on July 1, 2027, with the understanding that the names of faculties and schools may be refined during implementation:

Faculty of Health, Sciences, and Technologies comprising:

- School of Applied and Integrative Health

- School of Behavioural and Life Sciences
- School of Physical Sciences and Engineering

Faculty of Business, Education, Society, and Cultures, comprising:

- School of Business and Economics
- School of Education and Creative Communities
- School of Humanities and Social Sciences

The Board further directs the President to establish an implementation plan framework, which will be considered at a special meeting of the Board on or before September 16, 2026.

IT WAS MOVED by J. Hennessy / G. Colpitts

THAT the Board approve the proposed academic structure to take effect on July 1, 2027, as distributed, and further directs the President to establish an implementation plan framework for consideration at a special meeting of the Board on or before September 16, 2026..

CARRIED unanimously.

4. Other Business

There was no other business.

5. Adjournment

The Chair called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

IT WAS MOVED by M. Suter

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

CARRIED.

Henry Demone, Chair

Sonya Pineo, Recording Secretary