

# MINUTES OF THE SIX HUNDRED AND TENTH MEETING BOARD OF GOVERNORS FANSHAWE COLLEGE

Meeting #610 – H1005/Zoom

Thursday, April 25, 2024

## Present:

Terry Zavitz, Chair
Tim Anderson
Mojdeh Cox
Peter Devlin, President
Courtney Ecker
Laura Elliott
Mihad Fahmy
Brian Foster
Michael Geraghty
Sandy Jansen

Denise Luksys

Larry MacKinnon

**Brad Nelson** 

Dave Ross

Eric Weniger

#### Regrets:

Louise Poole

#### Staff Resource:

Michele Beaudoin, Vice-President, Student Services
Tania Caza, Vice-President, People and Culture
Gary Lima, Senior Vice-President, Academic
Jenny Ruz, Vice-President, Finance and Administration
Jeff Wright, Vice-President, Corporate Strategy and Business Development
Cheryl McMurray, Chief of Staff
Lisa McIntyre, Assistant, Board of Governors

## Additional Staff Resources

Amber-Lee Beattie, Manager, Advancement Services
Donna Derer, Executive Project Consultant
Gillian Sneddon, Executive Director, Fanshawe College Foundation
Guy Williams, Special Advisor, Indigenous Education and Development

# Guest(s)

Trevor Noye, Chair Fanshawe College Foundation

Board members were provided a tour of the International Office at 4:00 PM.

# A. OPENING PROCEDURES

### 1. Call to Order and Announcement of Quorum

The Chair called the meeting to order and announced quorum at 4:30 p.m.

#### 2. Chair's Welcome

attendees.

The Chair acknowledged and honoured the Anishnaabe, Haudenoshaunee, and Lenape people of Southwestern Ontario as the traditional owners and custodians of the lands and waterways where Fanshawe College is located. She continued by welcoming everyone to the meeting and noted regrets and virtual

The Chair called on Laura Elliott to introduce our new Student Governor, Shadé Dias. She highlighted Shade's Jamacian background, her extensive education and experiences at Fanshawe as well as her interest in strategic planning.

# 3. Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest

No conflicts of interest were declared.

## 4. Consent Matters

The Chair confirmed that all business arising has been actioned or is on this agenda. Governors were asked if they wished to comment on or remove any items from the Consent Matters list. The Chair indicated she was informed that Governor Foster wished to pull the Board Process Committee Report in order to discuss wording contained in Board Policy C-40 Terminating the President's Contract. There being no further comments the following resolution was considered:

# THAT the Board approve the Consent Matters, including all applicable motions.

- a) Approval of Agenda
- b) Approval of Minutes #609 (2024-03-28) c) Business Arising from Minutes
- d) Programming Approvals
  - i. Microcredentials
- e) Board Reports:
  - i. Board Process Committee Report
  - ii. Audit Committee Report
  - iii. B Policy Ad hoc Committee Report

Adopted – Resolution #61001

#### BOARD PROCESS COMMITTEE REPORT

The Chair called on Governor Foster who summarized the recommendation to change the wording in Board Policy C-40 Terminating the President's Contract, 3.3.6 from "The Board Process Committee shall consider consulting legal counsel." To "The Board Process Committee shall consult legal counsel." During discussion there was agreement with the suggested wording modification and the following motion was provided for the Board's consideration:

THAT the Board approve the removal of the word 'consider' from Board Policy C-40 Terminating the President's Contract, Section 3.3.6.

Adopted – Resolution #61002

## B. BOARD REPORTS

# 1. <u>Indigenous Education Council Report</u>

The Chair called on Michele Beaudoin, VP, Student Services, who introduced Guy Williams, Special Advisor, Indigenous Education and Development, to summarize and take questions on the report provided with the meeting materials. Guy Williams spoke about the collaborative nature of the Indigenous Education Council (IEC), the Indigenous Academic Framework, the priority of tailoring program development to students, bursaries, how programs can be offered in the Indigenous community, positive Indigenous growth rate, the difference education can make on reconciliation and the support that Fanshawe provides.

Following a discussion regarding how our success compares to others, the importance of measuring successes and sharing the results in a humble way was noted.

The Indigenous Education Council Report was accepted as presented. Guy Williams was thanked for his presentation and excused from the meeting.

#### 2. Fanshawe College Foundation Presentation

The Chair called on Laura Elliott, Foundation BoG Representative, to introduce Trevor Noye, Chair, Fanshawe College Foundation, to summarize and take questions on the report provided with the meeting materials. He highlighted the fundraising successes of the past year, the focus on direct student support, the development of a donor recognition and stewardship program and the integration of the online student awards system.

Trevor Noye was thanked, and the Fanshawe College Foundation Report was accepted as presented.

# C. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN CAMERA

THAT the Board move into the Committee of the Whole at 5:04 p.m.

Adopted – Resolution #61003

## D. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN CAMERA

THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report at 5:55 p.m.; AND THAT the matters discussed proceed as presented.

There was a 40 minute dinner break at 5:55 PM.

# E. CHAIR'S REPORT

The Chair reported the following:

- The results of the Effectiveness survey, that the Board is performing well, were summarized. The role of policies in Board governance will be addressed at Orientation and the importance of Governors attending the Good Governance sessions offered through Colleges Ontario were noted. Governors are encouraged to ask questions of the Chair, through the Board Office, prior to Board meetings to ensure fulsome responses are available before or at the meeting.
- The survey results from the last meeting were reviewed by BPC and are included in the Supplementary Folder.
- A reminder that the next Board meeting is Thursday, June 06, 2024 in order to meet Ministry timelines regarding the submission of the Audited Financial Statements.
- The 2024-25 Committee Signup Sheet will be circulated in the coming days and committee assignments finalized at the June 2024 Board meeting.
- Board members who volunteered to represent the Board at the June graduations were thanked.

# F. ELECTION OF CORPORATE OFFICERS

The Chair summarized the process regarding the nomination and voting for Elected Officers as outlined in the Elected College Officers Policy B-25.05.

To avoid any perceived conflict of interest, the annual election process for all Elected Officers was convened by the Board Treasurer, Jenny Ruz.

There was a call for nominations for the position of Chair: Michael Geraghty was nominated by Sandy Jansen and seconded by Terry Zavitz.

There being no further nominations the following motion was provided for the Board's consideration:

## THAT the nominations for Chair be closed.

Adopted – Resolution #61006

Michael Geraghty indicated he is delighted to be part of the Board and is looking forward to the year ahead. The following motion was provided for the Board's consideration:

THAT the Board of Governors approve the acclamation of Michael Geraghty as Board Chair for a one-year term beginning September 1, 2024.

Adopted – Resolution #61007

There was a call for nominations for the position of First Vice-Chair: Sandy Jansen was nominated by Mihad Fahmy and seconded by Eric Weniger.

There being no further nominations the following motion was provided for the Board's consideration:

THAT the nominations for First Vice-Chair be closed.

Adopted – Resolution #61008

Sandy Jansen indicated she continues to learn and looks forward to the year ahead. The following motion was provided for the Board's consideration:

THAT the Board of Governors approve the acclamation of Sandy Jansen as First Vice-Chair for a one-year term beginning September 1, 2024.

Adopted - Resolution #61009

There was a call for nominations for the position of Second Vice-Chair: Larry MacKinnon was nominated by Michael Geraghty and seconded by Sandy Jansen.

There being no further nominations the following motion was provided for the Board's consideration:

THAT the nominations for Second Vice-Chair be closed.

Adopted – Resolution #61010

Larry MacKinnon thank everyone and indicated he is grateful for the opportunity to serve. The following motion was provided for the Board's consideration:

THAT the Board of Governors approve the acclamation of Larry MacKinnon as Second Vice-Chair for a one-year term beginning September 1, 2024.

Adopted – Resolution #61011

# G. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

There being no further business, the resolution for adjournment was considered.

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Adopted - Resolution #61012

Lisa McIntyre, Recording Secretary