



BOARD OF GOVERNORS – OPEN SESSION
Approved Minutes

Thursday, February 26, 2015
1:00 p.m., W646

- Present:** G. Jong (Chair), G. Adamson, J. Adolf, A. Amelinckx, J. Berezan, M. Carrell, J. Copeland, R. Corbiere, P. Forrest, S. Glydon, M. Gray, J. Harker (phone), B. Kunz, M. Mahon, R. Masson, S. McClellan (phone), M. Persinger, R. Scrimshaw, M. Smith, J. Varzari (phone), T. Waters
- Other:** L. Brown, L. Corbiere, J. Gallais, A. Hakin, C. Horbachewski, S. Olson, S. Sproule, N. Walker, R. Westlund

Prior to the start of the Open Session, a presentation was given by UofL Adjunct Professor Wade Abbott of Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada and MSc student Justin Yamashita on their research with bacteria and yeast.

1. CONSENT AGENDA

Thanks was given to S. McClellan and J. Copeland for their service to the Board.

APPROVAL

- 1.1. Approval of the February 26, 2015 Open Agenda
1.2. Approval of the December 11, 2014 Open Minutes

MOTION: opn.2015.02.01

Gray/Corbiere

That the Board of Governors approve the February 26, 2015 Consent Agenda.

Motion: Carried

2. BOARD CHAIR REMARKS

G. Jong had nothing to report.

3. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

M. Mahon reported on:

- People Plan world cafes. Jumping off point to further consultation good over all but opportunities to develop strategies to implement people plan
- Expect budget mid-March or early April
- Campus Alberta Strategic Directions Committee meeting, March 6 in Calgary. Jim Berezan and Chris Horbachewski are attending on behalf of the UofL
- Ongoing meetings and advocacy with Government - Robin Campbell, Manmeet Bhullar, Mike Percy, Marcia Nelson

- Relationship building with the Government of Canada through the Deputy Minister University Champion Initiative
- \$15,000 gift from RBC to support people to plan AGILITY
- Faculty of Management inaugural Executive in Residence Presentation for the FNMI Scotiabank Mentors Program – Honorable Jennifer Campeau January 29
- Meeting in Edmonton on January 28 with the Council of Presidents who are looking to formalize the group of presidents of the 26 post-secondary institutions in Alberta
- VPR Search update – process is moving along with candidate interviews taking place within the next couple of weeks
- Faculty of Fine Arts scholarship fundraiser Abbondanza took place on January 31. This was the first year with the new owners of CoCo Pazzo
- Play Day February 16 was a success with over 4,000 visitors. Thanks to the over 150 volunteers
- Canadian novelist Margaret Atwood the featured speaker at 2015 Calgary Alumni & Friends Dinner March 27
- International Dinner will be held tonight with guest speaker Geoff Haines-Stiles, producer and director of PBS series *COSMOS*
- Donor Gala March 4
- Native Awareness Week March 2 – 6. *New Blood*, March 2, produced by UofL alumni in an amazing and exciting theatre celebrating the renewal of Blackfoot history and tradition. Tickets can be purchased at Uleth.ca/tickets
- Innovative local businessman Dennis Neufeldt of Haul-All to be honoured at the Faculty of Management’s annual Scholarship Dinner April 16
- Students’ Union elections – student governance is alive and active
- Reminder of the joint Board/GFC event tonight

4. CHANCELLOR’S REPORT

S. McClellan reported that this is her last Board meeting, as her tenure as Chancellor is over March 15. She noted that she has enjoy seeing the growth of aboriginal education and the visibility of agriculture strengthened on campus.

5. ITEMS FOR ACTION

5.1. Enterprise Risk Management Framework

MOTION: opn.2015.02.02

Berezan/Waters

That the Board of Governors approve the Enterprise Risk Management Framework and Project Charter, and the updated Enterprise Risk Management Policy, effective immediately.

Motion: Carried

J. Berezan noted that the Risk Register is also part of Enterprise Risk Management.

5.2. 2015-16 Interim Budget

MOTION: opn.2015.02.03

Berezan/Waters

That the Board of Governors approve the attached 2015-16 interim budget.

Motion: Carried

Although rumored cutbacks have indicated everything from a zero to a ten percent reduction in our base operating grant, nothing will be confirmed until the budget comes down. Until that time, this interim budget will allow us to continue to operate.

5.3. Audit Committee Terms of Reference

MOTION: opn.2015.02.04

Varzari/Scrimshaw

That the Board of Governors approve the attached revised Audit Committee Terms of Reference with amendment, effective immediately.

Motion: Carried

J. Varzari highlighted that many of the revisions are due to the need to separate the chair of the audit and finance committees and to allow each chair to sit on the other committee.

J. Berezan added that item 4.4.8 should read:

The Audit Committee has the responsibility of appointing and terminating the Director, Internal Audit, and providing input into the annual performance review of the Director, Internal Audit, in conjunction with the administrative supervisor.

5.4. Executive Committee Terms of Reference

MOTION: opn.2015.02.05

Varzari/Berezan

That the Board of Governors approve the attached revised Executive Committee Terms of Reference, effective immediately.

Motion: Carried

J. Varzari noted that proposed revisions are for clarity and for consistency between the terms of reference for each committee.

5.5. Finance Committee Terms of Reference

MOTION: opn.2015.02.06

Varzari/Kunz

That the Board of Governors approve the attached revised Finance Committee Terms of Reference, effective immediately.

Motion: Carried

Just as with the Audit Committee, the Terms of Reference are being revised to allow for a separate chair of the Finance Committee.

5.6. Committee Chair Terms of Reference

MOTION: opn.2015.02.07

Varzari/Persinger

That the Board of Governors approve the attached revised Committee Chair Terms of Reference, effective immediately.

Motion: Carried

6. REPORTS

6.1. Provost & Vice-President (Academic)

As an update to the progress on the Destination Project, A. Hakin reported that during Superweek 9 (the week of February 9), the integrated design team came together with the goal of reducing the overall size of the building by 10-15 percent. This is a normal part of the planning process.

6.2. Vice-President (Advancement)

C. Horbachewski highlighted the upcoming Donor Gala on March 4. The Faculty of Fine Arts will be showcased at the event, and the interactive stations will show linkages to other departments at the University.

Approximately 260 tickets have been sold to-date for the Calgary Alumni and Friends Dinner, with record-setting sponsorships of over \$50,000.

6.3. Vice-President (Finance & Administration)

N. Walker had nothing further to add.

6.4. Interim Vice-President (Research)

L. Brown had nothing further to add.

6.5. Board Member Reports

On behalf of the Students' Union (SU), S. Glydon reported successful Sexual Awareness Week and Mental Health Week initiatives. SU elections are currently happening, and there is great engagement with many positions being contested. The Students' Union will be hosting a fundraiser for the food bank on March 20th in the Students' Union Ballrooms. Tickets are \$20 and headlining the event will be Dory and the Weatherman. M. Carrell highlighted the 3MT Meeting of the Minds Thesis Competition on March 20-21. 73 students will be presenting, 16 of which are undergrads.

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: opn.2015.02.08

Adamson/Adolf

That the Board of Governors open session meeting of February 26, 2015 be adjourned.

Motion: Carried