

BOARD OF GOVERNORS – OPEN SESSION Approved Minutes



Thursday, November 15. 2012 2:00 p.m. in W646

Present: G. Jong (Chair), J. Berezan, J. Copeland, A. Escher, M. Gray,

A. Hakin (Acting President), E. Karbashewski, B. Kunz (by phone), K. Lewis,

S. McClellan, Z. Moline, K. Nugent, R. Scrimshaw, M. Wang, T. Waters, K. Willms

Regrets: M. Mahon, D. McArthur, M. Smith, J. Varzari, P. Forrest

Other: J. Black (recording secretary), B. Boudreau, C. Horbachewski, S. Sproule, N. Walker,

D. Weeks, R. Westlund, A. Amelinckx, J. Usher

Prior to the start of the Open Session meeting, the Internal Auditor S. von Heyking gave a presentation "Fraud and the Fraud Response Plan". Following that, Board members were taken on a tour of the science facilities in University Hall.

1. CONSENT AGENDA

APPROVAL

- 1.1. Approval of the November 15, 2012 Open Agenda
- 1.2. Approval of the October 11, 2012 Open Minutes

INFORMATION

- 1.3. Provost & Vice-President (Academic)
- 1.4. Vice-President (Advancement)
- 1.5. Vice-President (Finance & Administration)
- 1.6. Vice-President (Research)

MOTION: opn.2012.11.01

Berezan/Waters

That the Board of Governors approve the November 15, 2012 Consent Agenda.

Motion: Carried

2. BOARD CHAIR REMARKS

G. Jong reported that M. Mahon is recovering well at home, and he hopes to be back parttime next week. Dr. Hakin is acting president in his absence, and a thank you was given to him and the team on the tremendous work they have been doing.

• 45th Homecoming Events – he and his wife Elizabeth attended numerous events with Mike and Maureen and they met many great staff and alumni.

- Minister of Enterprise and Advanced Education On October 15th he met with Minister Khan on campus around the need for a new science building and other funding concerns.
- Board Committee Vacancies He has spoken with all committee chairs and most vacant spaces have now been filled out.
- Premier October 18th he met with the Premier to tour the trading floor and labs.
- Canada School of Energy and the Environment He had his first phone call meeting.
- College Wine Auction There was good representation there from the university.
- Congratulations were given by him to the University of Lethbridge on being named by Research Infosource the 2012 Canadian Undergraduate Research University of the Year. We also placed third in Maclean's and received great marks within the Globe and Mail student survey.
- International Dinner He attended that event last night, it was excellent and the speaker Amanda Lindhout was very inspiring.

3. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

M. Mahon sent his regrets. A. Hakin reported that it has been a busy period:

- Government On October 15th in the morning the Deputy Minister of Enterprise and Advanced Education (EAE) was on campus. That afternoon the Minister and Assistant Deputy Minister spent time on campus touring the science labs and spending time with the board and the students. Premier A. Redford was on campus October 18th and toured the science labs and the trading room.
- Team Lethbridge This was held in Edmonton and it provided an opportunity to meet with various MLA's and this was all very supportive of where we need to go as an institution.
- Metrics The University of Lethbridge has received some tremendous news on being named Research Infosource Canadian Research University of the Year for undergraduate institutions. In Maclean's we moved up to 3rd place and in particular our reputational survey is very well. Discussion will be occurring on is we will remain in the undergraduate category or move to the comprehensive one. The Globe and Mail report card has also been released and we ranked very well in there too.
- Auditor General Report A round of applause was given on the work done to achieve this clean bill of health. We have also received a green list award for our new parking lot.
- ASTech Awards This was a great event for the UofL as K. Burke received an award for her Destination Exploration Youth Science Camps, and HJ Wieden was honoured for his work on the iGEM Team.
- Strategic Planning Process They will be meeting on November 21 to discuss priorities of the university and priorities for funding.
- Chancellor Emeritus, Bob Hironaka There was a wonderful dinner held by the community to honour him in receiving his Order of Excellence.
- International Dinner Amanda Lindhout, who was held captive in a Somalia stronghold for 15 months spoke. It was a very powerful and emotional night with 150 people in attendance.
- In the closed session we will speak more about the recent fatality on campus.

4. CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

- S. McClellan reported on:
 - She attended a meeting in the new science building at the University of Alberta and it was a great opportunity to emphasize the need for ours.
 - She attended the ASTech awards in Edmonton and she will be representing us at the UofA's agriculture and rural economy Convocation.
 - Senate Executive and the Senate Volunteer Award Committee met. She encouraged individuals to nominate worthy recipients for the volunteer award. They are going to change the name to the University of Lethbridge Volunteer Award sponsored by the Senate to ensure that people are aware that the recipient does not need to be a senate member. The Senate meets the first of December, and she reported that she is very impressed as only six members did not attend and they are all very keen and very supportive of this institution.

5. ITEMS FOR ACTION

5.1. Code of conduct and Ethics – Document Revisions

MOTION: opn.2012.11.02

Nugent/Escher

That the Board of Governors approves the proposed updates to the code of conduct and Ethics document, effective immediately.

Motion: Carried

K. Nugent indicated this is a cleanup of the document to update policy names. The substantive change is to have board members annual resign the confidentiality and conflict of interest statements.

6. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

- 6.1. October 2012 Auditor General Report
 - J. Berezan said it is exemplary as this is a second year in a row that the University of Lethbridge has received a clean report. Congratulations were given to N. Walker, C. Takeyasu and her staff for this wonderful report as it is an indicator of all the hard work being done at the institution.

6.2. Consent Agenda

G. Jong reported that next month the vice-president's reports will be moved from the consent agenda and back into items for information. This was discussed at the Executive Committee, and was brought up by the vice-presidents. The committee reports will remain in the consent agenda.

7. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

There were no other reports at this time.

8. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: opn.2012.11.03

Berezan/Karbashewski

That the Board of Governors open session meeting of November 15,

2012 be adjourned.

Motion: Carried