



Board of Governors Open Session Meeting Minutes

January 29, 2019

Okanagan College Kelowna Campus

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

- Chris Derickson, Chair
- Jim Hamilton
- Chris Newitt
- Bob McGowan – via teleconference
- Devin Rubadeau
- Juliette Cunningham
- Blake Edwards
- Tina Lee
- Shelley Cook
- Shakti Singh

REGRETS:

- Gloria Morgan, Vice Chair
- Charity Gerbrandt
- Dave Porteous
- Karmvir Dhaliwal

OTHER STAFF:

- Andrew Hay, Vice President, Education
- Curtis Morcom, Vice President, Employee & Corporate Services
- Charlotte Kushner, Vice President, Students
- Allan Coyle, Director, Public Affairs
- Margaret Johnson, Board Secretary

GUESTS:

- Okanagan College Student Union Representatives
- Phil Ashman, Regional Dean, Central Okanagan

OBSERVERS:

- Sharon Mansiere, Okanagan College Faculty Association
- Cam McRobb, BCGEU Vocational Instructors
- Valerie Tuhkala, BCGEU Support Staff

ACTION

The meeting was called to order at 10:02am.

We respectfully acknowledge that we are meeting on the unceded territory of the Syilx (Okanagan) people and the host community, Westbank First Nation.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Amendment:

C. Newitt, Education Council Chair, requested to move the recommended motion regarding the Tourism Management Diploma from 7.2.3 Program Revisions to 7.2.1 New Programs.

Motion:

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the January 29, 2019 Okanagan College Board of Governors Open Session meeting agenda is approved.”

J. Cunningham
T. Lee
CARRIED

2. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT

No conflicts declared.

3. ELECTION OF BOARD CHAIR & VICE CHAIR

The Chair and Vice Chair terms expire as of January 31st, 2019.

The Vice President, Employee and Corporate Services called for nominations for the positions of Board Chair and Vice Chair.

C. Newitt nominated Chris Derickson for Board Chair. Mr. Derickson agreed to let his name stand and with no further nominations, Mr. Derickson was named Chair by acclamation.

C. Derickson nominated Gloria Morgan for Board Vice Chair. Ms. Morgan agreed let her name stand and with no further nominations, Ms. Morgan was named Vice Chair by acclamation.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion:

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Consent Agenda be approved as presented.”

T. Lee
S. Cook
CARRIED

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

6. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

6.1 Okanagan College Student Union (OCSU) Presentation¹ – M. Fellhauer, K. Safinuk
Prior to the presentation, D. Rubadeau informed the Board that Mr. Fellhauer recently competed in the Queen’s University Business Competition, where his accounting team won first place.

The students provided an outline of their presentation to the Board members at the table.

The OCSU requested that through the budget process the Board consider the following:

- creation of a tuition fee limit policy for international students,
- support for faculty who adopt open education resources through a faculty grant,
- increase student services with the reinstatement of a campus nurse,
- a wellness approach in upcoming capital projects, and
- support additional cost-savings measures for students.

The BCGEU Observer, Mr. McRobb expressed concern that some trades programs have 98% international students creating challenges due to a language barrier. This is causing concern for student and instructor safety.

The Okanagan College Faculty Association observer, Ms. Mansiere stated that increase in international students, is creating a challenge for faculty to deliver their product efficiently.

¹ OCSU presentation will be posted to the Board of Governors Moodle group

The Board Chair stated that the Board shares the students concerns, and appreciated the well thought out presentation with constructive dialogue and recommendations. The Board and OCSU have developed a mutually respectful relationship and will continue to work together.

The President suggested that we expand this discussion with a presentation from Russel Boris our Director, International Education.

6.2 Regional Dean's Report, Central Okanagan² – P. Ashman

The Regional Dean summarized his report, noting that there has been an increase in community outreach and expanded mental health and wellness support for students and employees. Construction has begun on the Health Science's Centre and we continue to make facility and infrastructure improvements.

7. NEW BUSINESS/RESOLUTIONS

7.1 Finance, Audit & Risk Review Committee

7.1.1 Chair Report – C. Derickson

The Committee met on January 11, 2018. At the meeting, the Okanagan College Student Union (OCSU) gave a presentation requesting Okanagan College provide increased student services in exchange for increasing domestic tuition. Following this, the VP, Employee and Corporate Services provided the Committee with a preliminary 2019-20 budget and gave a presentation on how increasing domestic tuition affects the College budget. The Committee approved the motion to increase domestic tuition by 2%.

The Auditors from Grant Thornton attended the Finance Committee meeting to present their Audit Strategy Report. The Committee approved the strategy laid out in the report.

The Committee viewed the third quarter financial statements which provide information on what was submitted to the government.

7.1.2 Domestic Tuition³ – C. Morcom

The VP Employee and Corporate Services provided a presentation regarding the proposed domestic tuition increase. He noted the increase will result in an addition \$261,000 for the 2019/2020 budget. This increase will enable Okanagan College to service debts and invest in future capital projects.

Motion:

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Okanagan College Board of Governors approve an increase of domestic tuition rates and mandatory fees of 2%, effective the Fall 2019 semester as recommended by the Finance, Audit and Risk Review Committee.”

B. Edwards
J. Cunningham
CARRIED

^{2, 3}Presentations will be posted to Board of Governors Moodle group.

7.2 Education Council – C. Newitt

7.2.1 New Programs

Motion:

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Okanagan College Board of Governors approves the new program Automotive Service Technology Diploma as recommended by Education Council and as presented.”

T. Lee
J. Cunningham
CARRIED

Motion:

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Okanagan College Board of Governors approves the new program Tourism Management Diploma, subject to completing the standard posting process on the Post-Secondary Institution Proposal System, as recommended by Education Council and as presented.”

J. Cunningham
D. Rubadeau
CARRIED

7.2.2 Memorandum of Understanding

Motion:

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Okanagan College Board of Governors approves the Memorandum of Understanding between School District No. 67 and Okanagan College as recommended by Education Council and as presented.”

T. Lee
S. Cook
CARRIED

7.2.3 Program Revisions

Motion:

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Okanagan College Board of Governors approves the program revision Associate of Science degree as recommended by Education Council and as presented.”

B. Edwards
D. Rubadeau
CARRIED

Motion:

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Okanagan College Board of Governors approves the program revision Practical Nursing Diploma as recommended by Education Council and as presented.”

S. Cook
T. Lee
CARRIED

Motion:

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Okanagan College Board of Governors approves the program revision Trades Technology Teacher Education Diploma as recommended by Education Council and as presented.”

J. Cunningham
D. Rubadeau
CARRIED

Motion:

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Okanagan College Board of Governors approves the program revision Bachelor of Computer Information Systems Degree as recommended by Education Council and as presented.”

B. Edwards
S. Cook
CARRIED

Motion:

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Okanagan College Board of Governors approves the program revision Viticulture Technician Diploma as recommended by Education Council and as presented.”

J. Cunningham
S. Cook
CARRIED

8. VERBAL REPORTS**7.2 Board Chair Report – C. Derickson**

The Board Chair informed the members of two upcoming conferences that may be of interest, the Colleges and Institutes Canada (CICan) Conference in Niagara Falls and the Association of Governing Boards (AGB) National Conference in Orlando, Florida. The Board secretary will send out the information for both conferences.

7.3 President's Report – J. Hamilton

The President made the recommendation that Board members attend an upcoming presentation by award winning author and journalist, Tanya Talaga in Vernon on February 20, 2019

9. INFORMATION**10. TOPICS FOR NEXT MEETING****11. OTHER BUSINESS**

No other business.

12. FOR THE GOOD OF THE BOARD**13. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 11:56 a.m.

Next regular Board meeting: March 26, 2019 – Penticton Campus