

# BOARD OF GOVERNORS – OPEN SESSION Approved Minutes

Thursday, October 13, 2016 Following Closed Session, W646

**Present:** K. Schlachter (Chair), M Gale, M. Gray, J. Harker (phone), C. Howey, E. Jing,

R. Kobbert, H. Labuhn, H. MacDonald, M. Mahon, R. Masson J. Nugent,

T. Pace-Crosschild, M. Persinger, R. Scrimshaw, M. Smith, S. Stocker, B. Tait,

J. Varzari, T. Waters

Other: L. Corbiere, J. Gallais, A. Hakin (phone), C. Horbachewski, E. Okine, S. Olson, S.

Sproule, N. Walker, R. Westlund

#### 1. CONSENT AGENDA

**APPROVAL** 

1.1. Approval of the October 13, 2016 Open Agenda

1.2. Approval of the September 23, 2016 Open Minutes

MOTION: opn.2016.10.01

Varzari/Persinger

That the Board of Governors approve the October 13, 2016 Consent

Agenda.

Motion: Carried

## 2. BOARD CHAIR REMARKS

K. Schlachter reported that he attended the Pronghorn Scholarship Breakfast on September 29, which had a great turnout and Olympian Clara Hughes was a very inspirational speaker. He will be attending Convocation this Saturday, October 15 and looks forward to congratulating all the graduands.

## 3. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

M. Mahon reported on:

- Light Up Purple campaign activities at the UofL this past Tuesday which promotes mental health awareness
- Hosted a reception on Tuesday celebrating four distinguished UofL professors
  elected in 2016 to the Fellowship of the Royal Society of Canada (Dr. Louise
  Barrett, Dr. Bruce McNaughton, Dr. Joe Rasmussen) and College of New Scholars,
  Artists, and Scientists (Dr. Artur Luczak). The Royal Society induction ceremony
  will take place in November. Thanks was given to E. Okine and his department as
  they put in a lot of work with the submissions.

- Hosted five students, from different faculties at a coffee roundtable last week. This is a great opportunity to connect with first year students. Inaugural Fall Break to take place next month, which is an effort to help with student mental health.
- Senior Leaders Retreat to take place on October 21. Dr. Mark Searle, Executive Vice-President and University Provost at Arizona State University will be speaking on "Creating a Culture of Excellence".

#### 4. CHANCELLOR'S REMARKS

- J. Varzari reported on attending:
  - Pronghorn Scholarship Breakfast and had the opportunity to speak with Clara Hughes afterwards.
  - First Senate meeting took place on October 1, and we had Ashley Patzer-Steacy present on her Olympic experience. Senators had a discussion on their involvement during the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and they indicated they would like to act as official ambassadors and tour guides.
  - Attended the Royal Society reception on Tuesday.
- J. Varzari gave a reminder of Fall Convocation on Saturday, October 15 and encouraged board members to submit a nomination for honorary degree consideration in 2017.

#### 5. ITEMS FOR ACTION

5.1. Use of University Premises for Non-Academic Purposes Policy

MOTION: opn.2016.10.02

Masson/Varzari

That the Board of Governors approve the Use of University Premises for Non-Academic Purposes Policy (formerly University Facilities – Use and Rental Policy), effective immediately.

Motion: Carried

There were no questions or comments.

5.2. Use and Booking of University Sport and Recreation Facilities Policy

MOTION: opn.2016.10.03

Masson/Kobbert

That the Board of Governors approve the Use and Booking of University Sport and Recreation Facilities Policy (formerly Facility Booking and Use of Sport and Recreation Facilities Policy), effective immediately.

Motion: Carried

There were no questions or comments.

## 5.3. Trespass Policy

MOTION: opn.2016.10.04

Masson/Smith

That the Board of Governors approve the new Trespass Policy, effective immediately.

Motion: Carried

There was a question regarding the legal description of the University, noting that the policy only includes the main Lethbridge Campus. It was indicated that we wanted to ensure that we have a good working understanding of the policy and its parameters before extending it to include our other properties including the downtown Penny Building, Coutts Centre, etc. it was also noted that those other buildings have different functions (non-academic in nature) and could be treated differently.

#### 6. REPORTS

6.1 Provost & Vice-President (Academic)

A. Hakin reported that Open House on October 1 was extremely successful, boasting the highest number of participants and record number of applicants to-date. Thanks was given to all those who took part.

#### 6.2 Vice-President (Advancement)

C. Horbachewski highlighted the Let There be Light Night and encouraged board members to attend. More gift announcements will be made in the lead-up to our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year, including one regarding AGILITY and the Faculty of Management before the end of the month and another one related to the Destination Project in early December.

- 6.3 Vice-President (Finance & Administration)
  - N. Walker had nothing to add to her submitted report.
- 6.4 Vice-President (Research)

E. Okine had nothing to add to his submitted report and gave a short presentation on Research & Innovation – Funding and Adaptive Technologies.

## 6.5 Board Member Reports

There was a question to C. Howey related to the change in food allotment for First Nations Metis Inuit (FNMI) students. C. Howey indicated that with the financial realities being what they are, the Students' Union (SU) has not been able to give students/groups as much as they have in the past. Demand for resources is always increasing and the SU is trying to consolidate a few of their programs, figuring out how to have the biggest impact on the students.

E. Jing reported that the Graduate Students' Association is working to fill their vacant FNMI representative position and they have begun plans for the 2017 Meeting of the Minds Conference

R. Kobbert noted that 2017 is also a big year for the Alumni Association and that the deadline for nominations for Alumni recognition awards is the end January.

## 7. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

## 8. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: opn.2016.10.05

Persinger/MacDonald

That the Board of Governors Open Session meeting of October 13, 2016 be adjourned.