

REGULAR MINUTES
Board of Governors
February 3, 2021
Via BlueJeans Conferencing Bridge

Present: Board

Sandra Case / Chair Rhiannon Bennett

Ivy Chen Farhad Dastur

Alan Davis / President & Vice Chancellor

Bob Davis Amos Kambere

Mohammed Mahabub Michael McAdam

Kim McGill David Piraquive Jack Wong **University Vice Presidents**

Steve Cardwell / VP, Students

Laurie Clancy / AVP, Human Resources

Tara Clowes / VP, Finance and

Administration

Marlyn Graziano / VP, External Affairs Sandy Vanderburgh / Provost & VP,

Academic

Presenters and University Resources

Aimee Begalka / Dean, Faculty of Academic and Career Preparation Jennifer Duprey / General Counsel Jeff Ho / Interim Executive Director,

Finance

Ranminder Kaur / Confidential Assistant to

the Board of Governors

Brian Moukperian / Dean, Faculty of

Trades and Technology

Keri van Gerven / University Secretary & Executive Assistant to the President & Vice

Chancellor

Regrets: Kim Baird / Chancellor

1. Call to Order and Introductory Remarks The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:02 pm. The Chair acknowledged KPU's commitment to reconciliation and recognition that we are on the traditional lands of the Kwantlen and Semiahmoo First Nations, and that KPU is grateful to all the Coast Salish peoples for sharing their land in friendship and in peace.

2. Conflict of Interest No other conflict of Interest was declared.

3. Approval of Agenda Motion #07-20/21

MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED THAT the Board of Governors approve the Agenda for February 3, 2021.

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4. Consent Agenda Motion #08-20/21

MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED THAT the Board of Governors approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

4.1. Minutes of the December 2, 2020 Regular Board of Governors

Meeting.

4.2. To discontinue the Citation in Outdoor Power Equipment Technician

program, effective September 1, 2021.

- 4.3. To discontinue the Citation in Power Line Technician program, effective September 1, 2021.
- 4.4. To discontinue the Fundamental, Intermediate, and Advanced Certificates of Completion in Adult Basic Education, effective September 1, 2021.

Ms. Begalka and Mr. Moukperian left the meeting.

5. Audit Committee Report

5.1 *Committee Chair Report*

Members noted that the Audit Committee met on January 12, 2021 and received an update on Business Performance & Advisory Services (BPAS) Engagement Activities.

6. Finance Committee Report

6.1 *Committee Chair Report*

Members noted that the Finance Committee met on January 12, 2021 and discussed format of budget for a future meeting.

7. Governance Committee Report

7.1 Committee Chair Report

Committee Chair, Mr. Amos, advised that the Governance Committee met on January 20, 2021 and the items considered by the committee were discussed under the consent agenda.

8. Human Resources Committee Report

8.1 Committee Chair Report

Committee Chair, Ms. Case advised that the Human Resources Committee met on January 21, 2021 and approved the appointment of Sharmen Lee as Dean, Faculty of Health.

9. President's Report

9.1 Report to the Board

Dr. Davis advised that the President's Report was included in the Report to the Board of Governors and noted the significant number of activities around KPU featured in the report.

Dr. Davis noted that Dr. Farhad Dastur is the recipient of the Distinguished Service award in the Faculty Category. Dr. Davis mentioned that KPU will be congratulating all recipients virtually during the Spring 2021 Convocation ceremony.

10. Provost's Report

10.1 Report to the Board

Dr. Vanderburgh advised that the Provost and VP, Academic Report was included in the Report to the Board of Governors. Dr. Vanderburgh advised that KPU will be delivering their curriculum in the summer of 2021 in a format similar to 2020.

Dr. Vanderburgh noted that Sharmen Lee has been appointed as Dean, Faculty of Health and Dr. Rajiv Jhangiani has been appointed as AVP, Teaching and Learning. Dr. Vanderburgh also extended a special thank you

to Dr. Harjit Dhesi, Interim Dean, Faculty of Health, who confidently provided leadership for the Faculty since the beginning of the pandemic.

11. Vice President, External Affairs Report

11.1 Report to the Board

Ms. Graziano advised that the Vice President, External Affairs Report was included in the Report to the Board of Governors. Ms. Graziano commented that the virtually held Richmond Open House was a success. Ms. Graziano noted that the next virtual Open House will be held at KPU Tech.

Ms. Graziano advised members that Dr. Charan Gill passed away on February 2, 2021. Ms. Graziano noted that KPU was proud to award Dr. Gill an honorary Doctor of Laws in May 2013 to acknowledge and pay tribute to his dedication and commitment to social justice. Members noted that in honour of Dr. Gill's legacy, KPU will be lowering the flags at all campuses on February 5, 2021.

Mr. McAdam joined the meeting.

12. Vice President, Finance and Administration

12.1 Report to the Board including Q3 financial update

Ms. Clowes advised that the Vice President, Finance and Administration Report was included in the Report to the Board of Governors.

Ms. Clowes commented that the Q3 forecast is anticipating a surplus position for this year and this is due to spending being much slower and revenue has been more than anticipated.

13. Vice President, Students Report

13.1 Report to the Board

Dr. Cardwell advised that the Student Services Report was included in the Report to the Board of Governors. Dr. Cardwell noted that Spring 2021 Orientation included a new First Year Festival, in addition to two live Orientation events and the online Orientation courses, commenting that over 900 students attended the two live Orientation events and approximately 200 students participated in the First Year Festival.

Dr. Cardwell mentioned that Student Health Promotion announced the launch of a Peer Wellness Program this January. The program is intended to be low intensity, holistic and focused on the six dimensions of wellness (Physical, Mental, Social, Emotional, Financial and Spiritual) identified by KPU's Healthy University Initiative.

Dr. Cardwell commented that the enrollment of new international students is low due to the delay of processing study permit applications at Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) offices and noted that hundreds of students who did not receive the study permits on time have chosen to drop their registration and defer to the next semester.

14. Senate Reports – meeting held on

Dr. Davis advised that the Senate Report for November 30, 2020 and January 25, 2021 was prepared by Dr. David Burns, Senate Vice-Chair and was included in the meeting package.

November 30, 2020 and January 25, 2021

15. Next Meeting Agenda Contribution

Board members were asked to send contributions for the next meeting agenda to Ms. van Gerven at least two weeks in advance of the meeting.

16. For the Good of the Order

The Chair advised Board members that a motion was received from the Chair of the Arts Faculty Council on January 22nd, 2021 which reads as follows:

MOTION: Arts Faculty Council (AFC) calls on the Board of Governors to discuss the matter of providing tuition waivers or relief for students who are forced to withdraw from courses by virtue of being called up for federal service (ex. Canadian Forces Reservists).

The Chair noted that this has been referred to management for recommendations and next steps.

Dr. Cardwell commented that KPU is reviewing its FM8 Student Tuition and Fees Policy which is currently posted on the KPU Policy Blog for a 6-week period for comments and will close on March 9, 2021. Dr. Cardwell noted that prior to proceeding to the final approval process, the Policy Developer will review and consider all comments received during this 6-week period.

There were no additional items identified.

17. Feedback on the Meeting

Ms. van Gerven advised that the student board member, Rajvir Mangat did not maintain her eligibility to remain on the Board by not enrolling in the required 2 out 3 semesters during her term. Ms. van Gerven noted that Ms. Mangat's seat has been declared vacant and will remain vacant until August 2021 when new student board members are elected.

There was no additional feedback on the meeting.

18. Closing Remarks

The Chair thanked everyone, including Board Members for attending and contributing to the discussions.

19. Appendix:

19.1 Report to the Board of Governors

The February 2021 Report to the Board of Governors was received.

20. Next Meeting

The next meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, March 31, 2021.

21. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:39 pm.

Board Chair