

# BOARD OF GOVERNORS Minutes of the Meeting (Open Session) held on Tuesday, November 27, 2018, 3:00 p.m. University Hall, Macdonald Building

#### MEMBERS PRESENT:

Lawrence (Larry) Stordy (Chair), Eleanor Bernard, Ian Bezanson, Joyce Carter, Cassandra Dorrington, Richard Florizone, Elaine Gibson, Robert (Bob) Hanf, Kevin Hewitt, Joyce Hoeven, Brenda Hogan, Chris Huskilson, Laurie Jennings, Brian Johnston, Iain Klugman, Carolan McLarney, Anne McLellan, Kathleen Olds, Aubrey Palmeter, Sherry Porter, Jeremy Ryant, Paula Simon, Candace Thomas, Michele Williams

## **NON-MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Alice Aiken (Vice-President, Research & Innovation), Teresa Balser (Provost and Vice-President, Academic), Peter Fardy (Vice-President, Advancement), Ian Nason (Vice-President, Finance and Administration), Susan Brousseau (University Secretary)

#### **REGRETS:**

Aaron Prosper, Robert Richardson

#### **GUESTS:**

Peter Coutts (Assistant Vice-President, Facilities Management), John Hope (General Counsel), Peter MacKinnon (Incoming Acting President), Tim Maloney (Executive Director, Athletics and Recreation), Susan Robertson (Assistant Vice-President, Financial Services), Margaret Sterns (Director of Internal Audit Services), David Westwood (DFA Observer), Sundari Pashupathi (Associate Secretary of Senate), Cheryl MacDonald (Board Governance Assistant)

#### 1. Approval of Agenda

L. Stordy welcomed T. Balser, Provost and Vice-President Academic, and recognised the incoming Acting President, P. MacKinnon. He proposed that the agenda be amended to remove Item 6 given the absence of A. Prosper.

# Moved by B. Hogan, seconded by C. Dorrington:

THAT the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED.

## 2. Consent Agenda

All items on the Consent Agenda were adopted.

## 2.1 Minutes of the Meeting of October 16, 2018

THAT the Board of Governors approve the minutes of the meeting of October 16, 2018 as presented.

Approved by CONSENT.

## 2.2 Board Appointments – Order-in-Council Reappointments

THAT the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Governance and Human Resources Committee, approve the nominations of Robert Hanf and Laurie Jennings for recommendation to the Governors in Council for reappointment to the Board of Governors of Dalhousie University for a three-year term from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2022.

Approved by CONSENT.

## 2.3 Appointment of Board Representative – Search Committee for Associate Vice-President Academic

THAT the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Governance and Human Resources Committee, approve the appointment of Laurie Jennings as Board representative on the search committee for the Associate Vice-President, Academic, such appointment to be effective on the date of Board approval.

Approved by CONSENT.

#### 2.4 Items from Senate:

2.4.1 Termination Proposal: Children and Youth in Challenging Contexts Institute

THAT the Board of Governors approve the termination of the Children and Youth in Challenging Contexts Institute, effective immediately.

Approved by CONSENT.

## 3. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business noted.

## 4. Chair's Report

L. Stordy reported briefly on his recent trip to China with the premier of Nova Scotia and representatives from other Nova Scotia universities. He noted their visits with partner universities and his participation in the unveiling of a new joint ocean research facility with Shandong University.

#### 5. President's Report

Noting that the report represents his last written report to the Board of Governors, R. Florizone expressed his appreciation to Board members for their commitment and service to Dalhousie. He stressed the essential nature of governance and the importance of the Board's work and oversight to the University. President Florizone highlighted various achievements at the University over the last five years in enrolment and retention, innovation, diversity and inclusion, and research.

Dr. Florizone congratulated K. Hewitt on his recent honour in receiving the Science Champion Award as part of the 2018 Discovery Centre Awards. He reported that the Lord Dal Panel will hold its initial public engagement on December 10th. Reference was also made to the impressive participation in the Dal 200th anniversary events which, to date, have attracted over 23,000 participants.

# 6. Dalhousie Student Union President's Report

This item was removed from the agenda.

#### 7. Items for Decision

## 7.1 Facilities Renewal Preliminary Budget 2019-20 [Strategic Priorities 5.5 & 5.6]

A. Palmeter introduced the motion and referred members to the background information in the meeting package.

# Moved by A. Palmeter, seconded by M. Williams:

THAT the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Capital Projects and Facilities Committee, approve expenditures not to exceed \$1 million Facilities Renewal (FR) on the 2019-20 Facilities Renewal budget for preliminary design and procurement work prior to the commencement of the fiscal year and approve the expenditure in fiscal year 2019-20 of the remaining funds for the attached lists of proposed Facilities Renewal projects greater than \$250k in estimated cost.

CARRIED.

### 8. Items for Information

# 8.1 Board Standing Committee Reports

L. Stordy referred members to the reports of several committees in the meeting package. There were no questions on the reports.

Before moving to the *in camera* session, L. Stordy, on behalf of the Board, expressed gratitude to R. Florizone for his service to Dalhousie University and the significant achievements made during his presidency. R. Florizone received the gift presented by the Board with thanks.

#### 9. In Camera Session

The Board moved to the *in-camera* session.

### 10.Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.