

October 13, 2022

1:00 p.m.

MRU, Lincoln Park Room J301

PRESENT:

Alex Pourbaix, Chair - Public Member
Brenden Hunter- Public Member
Chris Lee, Vice-Chair - Public Member
Morgan Loberg - Staff Member
Carrie Lonardelli - Public Member
Pamela Malec – Student Member
Denise Man – Public Member
Jacqueline Musabende - Faculty Member

Joseph Nguyen – Student Member
Thomas O’Leary – Public Member
Kenna Olsen - Faculty Member
Shannon Pestun - Alumni Member
Tim Rahilly - President and Vice-Chancellor
David Routledge – Alumni Member
Shannon Ryhorchuk - Public Member
Salimah Walji-Shivji - Public Member

RESOURCES:

Elizabeth Evans, Interim Provost and Vice President, Academic
Kathy Homer, Assistant University Secretary-Board, Recording Secretary
Mustansar Nadeem, Vice-President, Finance and Administration
Amy Nixon, General Counsel and University Secretary
Paul Rossmann, Vice-President, University Advancement
Phil Warsaba, Vice-President, Students

REGRETS:

Dawn Farrell- Chancellor
Sue Riddell Rose - Public Member

Rob Schaefer – Public Member

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

A. Pourbaix, Chair of the Board of Governors, called the Open Session to order at 1:00 p.m., confirmed quorum, and commenced with a territorial land acknowledgement.

1.1. Conflict of Interest Declaration

There were no conflicts declared.

ACTION ITEMS

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved and seconded:

THAT the agenda be approved, as distributed.

CARRIED.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.1. Approval of Minutes of Meeting Held on May 26, 2022.

Moved and seconded:

THAT the minutes of the Open Session of the Board of Governors' meeting held May 26, 2022, be approved, as distributed.

CARRIED.

3.2. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the past set of minutes.

4. MRU ANNUAL REPORT 2021-2022

The Annual Report was provided for information to the Board of Governors. The Annual Report is the primary accountability document required by Advanced Education and its format and content are as prescribed by the Province. The Report was recommended by the Audit and Risk Committee and approved by the Governance and Nominating Committee on behalf of the Board due to the September 30 deadline. The Report can be located on the Mount Royal University website.

REPORTS

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5.1. Board Chair

A. Pourbaix, Board Chair, provided a written report and highlighted the inaugural Chairs' BBQ that was held in June, the various messages received from the Minister this summer, congratulated T. Rahilly for receiving the Queen Elizabeth Platinum Jubilee Medal in September and Provost Evans and the academic team for confirmation of funding for micro-credentials as approved by the Ministry.

5.2. President and Vice-Chancellor

President and Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Tim Rahilly, provided a written report that included an update regarding: academic affairs; student affairs; enrolment management; international education; fundraising; Alumni relations; marketing and communications; finance and administration, employee relations; equity, diversity and inclusion; and strategic planning.

At the meeting, Dr. Rahilly noted the format of the report changed as it is now one consolidated report, which includes updates on relevant matters in executive members' respective areas.

The Provost highlighted the good news regarding the announcement of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Government of Alberta and WestJet Airlines for \$8.16 million in funding for the expansion of Mount Royal University's Aviation Diploma program. The funding will allow for the expansion of infrastructure and enrolment in the program.

The 2022 Alumni Achievement Award event was discussed as it was well received. The recipients were announced in August, and congratulated in person at a sit-down dinner with university leadership in September. Recipients will be more broadly celebrated by family, friends, fellow alumni and members of the campus community at a reception this evening.

5.3. General Faculties Council

The General Faculties Council report for the meetings held on May 20 and September 9, 2022, was

received for information. The President confirmed that the Investment Management Agreement (IMA) that was brought before the Board last spring was reported to GFC at the September meeting given the timing of meetings. Discussion ensued regarding whether student transfers impact the IMA as the elements in the IMA relate to enrolment and completion rates. Mount Royal has received confirmation from the government that we satisfy the requirements outlined in the IMA.

COMMITTEE MATTERS

6. AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE

6.1. Committee Report

S. Ryhorchuk, Chair of the Audit and Risk Committee, reported that the Committee met this morning to receive the Audit Plan from the Office of the Auditor General and to understand the focus areas that outline what is to be achieved.

7. CAMPUS DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

7.1. Committee Report

A written report from the September 26, 2022 meeting was included in the package for information. D. Routledge, Chair of the Campus Development Committee, reported that the Committee continues to review the renovation details of the G-Wing and commended MRU for the sustainability initiatives undertaken on campus.

8. FINANCE COMMITTEE

8.1. Committee Report

A. Pourbaix, Chair of the Finance Committee, provided a written report on the topics discussed at the meeting held this morning.

9. GOVERNANCE AND NOMINATING COMMITTEE

9.1. Committee Report

A. Pourbaix, Chair of the Governance and Nominating Committee, provided a written report summarizing the discussions from the September 26, 2022 meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

10. ITEMS REMOVED FOR DISCUSSION

There were no items removed from the consent agenda for discussion.

Moved and seconded:

THAT the Board of Governors approve the consent agenda items for the October 13, 2022, Open Session.

CARRIED.

11. ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

11.1. Banking Resolution

THAT the Board of Governors approve of the change in authorized banking signing officers, and the authorized investment signing officers effective October 13, 2022.

12. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

12.1. Board and Committee Meeting Schedule 2023-2025

Received for information.

12.2. Major Renovation Construction Projects Updates

Received for information.

12.3. Financial Reports: First Quarter to June 30, 2022

Received for information.

12.4. Board Annual Agenda Plan 2022-2023

Received for information.

12.5. HREB Annual Report 2021

Received for information.

OTHER BUSINESS

13. NEW BUSINESS

No new business came forward for the Board's consideration.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Moved and seconded:

THAT the Board of Governors meeting be terminated at 1:25 p.m.

CARRIED.