

# **Douglas College Board Meeting Minutes**

January 26, 2017 OPEN SESSION MEETING

5:00 p.m., New Westminster Campus Boardroom

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IN ATTENDANCE

**Board Members** 

Jane Butterfield, AFC Chair

Jason Carvalho

Kathy Denton, President (ex-officio)

John Evans, HRC Chair

Robin Kaul<sup>1</sup>

Jeevan Khunkhun, CPC Chair

Marissa Martin

Jasmine Nicholsfigueiredo, Chair,

Education Council (ex-officio)

**Dave Seaweed** 

Gerry Shinkewski<sup>1</sup>, Board Vice Chair

Wesley Snider

Tom Spraggs, Board Vice Chair

Eileen Stewart

Dave Teixeira, TSC Chair

Shelley Williams, Board Chair

**REGRETS** 

Board Members: n/a Management: n/a Administration

Thor Borgford, VP Academic and Provost

Sarah Dench, Associate VP, Academic and Student Affairs

Shelagh Donnelly, College Secretary; recording Keith Ellis, AVP, Institutional Effectiveness

Guangwei Ouyang, VP, International Education and Strategic Partnerships

Dave Taylor, Associate VP, Public Affairs

Vicki Shillington, AVP, Labour, Employment, and Human Rights

Tracey Szirth, VP, Administrative Services and CFO

Chris Worsley, Director, Finance

Observers

Len Millis for Erin Rozman, Douglas College Faculty Association (DCFA)

Monique Paulino, Douglas Students' Union (DSU)

Guests

Steven Beasley, DSU; Catherine Williams, Business Development

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

4.1 Report on Operational and Strategic Matters

Kathy Denton discussed her written report included in the agenda package. She reported on Leanne Poon's appointment as Executive Director, Foundation and Alumni Relations, and the successful recruitment of two Associate Deans. Dr. Denton advised of the launch of a task force to review and improve the College's processes for handling conduct complaints. She also discussed her positive experience as a new member of the Degree Quality Assessment Board (DQAB).

- CHAIR, COMMITTEE AND LIAISO N REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
- 5.1 Board Executive and Governance Committee (BEGC)
- a) Chair's Report

Shelley Williams discussed the Committee's January meeting. She advised that the Committee had reviewed the most recent Treasury Board directive, and determined that no changes were required to the Board's remuneration and expense policy. She also discussed the BEGC's recommendation that all committee self-evaluations be scheduled for the month of June. Board members concurred.

Ms. Williams noted suggestions from Jason Carvalho regarding the College's engagement in the technology sector. Dr. Denton confirmed that management would be discussing these issues at the upcoming Technology Strategy Committee (TSC) meetings.

Ms. Williams noted the College's role in co-hosting a recent overdose prevention forum, and commended management for their recent media article to address public misperceptions of international education. She also discussed Board members' participation in events and education sessions, including the Public Sector Board Governance Professional Development Forum.

- b) Information: Board Decision Reached Du ring November 2016 Closed Session Meeting Ms. Williams drew attention to the Board's November 2016 approval of the Douglas College Total Compensation Philosophy, for submission to the Post-Secondary Employers' Association (PSEA).
- c) College Board Succession Planning: Upcoming Elections by Students (Two Positions)

  Shelagh Donnelly advised that the Registrar's Office planned to issue a call for nominations in mid-February, for election of two students to serve on the Board from September 2017 to August 2018.
- 5.2 Audit and Finance Committee (AFC)
- a) Chair's Report

# c) Notice of Intent:

Proposed Revisions to College Board By-Law B.GO07.05, Fees and Charges for Instruction

Ms. Butterfield discussed the notice of intent, provided in the agenda package, to revise College Board By-Law B.GO07.05, Fees and Charges for Instruction, effective September 1, 2017. She noted that the revised by-law includes a 2% increase to existing tuition rates and fees, and establishes tuition rates and fees for the new Hearing Instrument Practitioner Diploma program commencing in the Fall of 2017. Ms. Butterfield confirmed that, in reviewing the preliminary 2017/18 consolidated budget, the AFC discussed and supported the notice of intent. Ms. Szirth advised that the proposed revision to the by-law will be presented to the Board for approval in March 2017.

d) Board Governance: Proposed Revision to College Board Policy B.GO01.15, Douglas College Board Investment Policy

Ms. Butterfield reported that the Committee had conducted its annual review of the Investment Policy with George & Bell, the College's investment advisor. She referred to the revised policy contained in the agenda package, and highlighted the recommended changes. Ms. Butterfield noted that an issue had been recently been identified by the Committee, and that the AFC recommends deferring Board approval of the policy until the issue is resolved. A discussion ensued regarding the asset mix. Board members were encouraged to provide any additional feedback to Jane Butterfield and Tracey Szirth prior to the March Board meeting.

### 5.3 Campus Planning Committee (CPC): Chair's Report

Jeevan Khunkhun reported on the Committee's January meeting, which focused on the work required to complete the campus master plan in accordance with the Board's expectations. He advised that, subsequent to the meeting, management engaged a consultant to provide additional planning guidance. Mr. Khunkhun reported on the Committee's review of the capital items proposed for the 2017/18 budget. He also advised that further testing for site contamination will be done on the College's vacant New Westminster property. No questions arose.

# 5.4 Human Resources Committee (HRC): Chair's Report

John Evans reported on the Committee's January meeting. He discussed the Committee's review of a proposed general wage increase and economic stability dividend for non-management exempt employees, consistent with the increases provided to unionized employees. He noted the Committee's review and endorsement of a revised President and CEO job description that reflects a greater strategic focus. He also discussed plans to establish a comprehensive 360° assessment tool for the President this summer.

Mr. Evans reported on the Committee's discussions with management regarding the 2016 employee engagement survey, progress on the Human Resources strategic plan, and annual reporting under the Whistleblower Policy. He advised that no disclosures, investigations or claims were made under the policy in the past year, and discussed the HRC's review of processes for confidential submission of complaints.

#### 5.5 Technology Strategy Committee (TSC) Chair's Report

Dave Teixeira reported on the Committee's November and January meetings. He discussed the TSC members' interest in meeting and hearing from experts on emerging trends, and noted the recent presentation to the Committee by the President of BCNET. Mr. Teixeira discussed the Committee's desire to focus its governance onay-t8g5/8ric fo'TJ 16.84 0 0 TD .0001 Tc .0021 Tw (a10.on)--2w000H29 H29 H29 0 Tri submis.5

- 5.6 Education Council
- a) Education Council Chair's Report: November, December 2016 and January 2017 Meetings

Jasmine Nicholsfigueiredo noted her reports in the agenda package. Dr. Nicholsfigueiredo also discussed the credential recommendations contained in the agenda package, and invited and responded to questions. Members discussed the significance of the Health Information Management diploma, and the nature of all the credential recommendations.

b) Credential Recommendation: Establishment of the Credential, Post-Baccal aureate Diploma in Health Information Management

It was moved, seconded and unanimously resolved:

2017/0102 THAT the Douglas College Board approve the establishment of the credential, Post-Baccalaureate Diploma in Health Information Management, effective September 5, 2017

c) Credential Recommendation: Establishment of the Credential, Diploma in Performing Arts – Foundation for Music Therapy Studies

It was moved, seconded and unanimously resolved:

2017/0103 THAT the Douglas College Board approve the establishment of the credential, Diploma in