MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE **DOUGLAS COLLEGE BOARD Open Session**

March 19, 2009 **David Lam Campus Boardroom**

Open Meeting File No. 2009-03-19

Approved April 16, 2009

ATTENDANCE

Regrets:

Board Members: G. Bowbrick, B. Clarke, C. Gibson, M. Hwang**, P. Kendrick, A. Kitching, S. Meshwork (ex-officio), M. Steinbach, A. Taylor, P. Wates, S. Witter (ex-officio) M. Hemmingsen, A. MacGrotty, M. Russell

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 19, 2009

It was moved by Matthew Steinbach and seconded by Peter Kendrick:

07/2009 THAT the minutes be approved as distributed.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

There was no business arising.

6. INFORMATION/COMMUNICATION

6.1.1 BC Government and Service Employees' Union (BCGEU)

In the absence of a written report, Mark Ferley offered the Board a number of suggestions.

6.1.2 Douglas College Faculty Association (DCFA)

The Chair thanked Susan Briggs for her written report and invited additional comments; she had none, and there were no questions arising.

6.1.3 Douglas Students' Union (DSU)

There was no DSU representative in attendance; Geoff Lenahan's apologies were conveyed.

7. 2009/10 DOUGLAS COLLEGE BUDGET

Susan Witter reported that the College had received its budget letter the previous week. It was more positive than had been anticipated, and the College's Senior Management Team (SMT) had begun work on revised budget planning; further details were to be presented during the Board's in camera meeting.

8. **REPORTS**

8.1 Board Chair

Andrew Taylor reported that students David Geddes and Mike Regan had been, respectively, acclaimed and elected to one-year terms as Board members, effective September 1, 2009. At the Chair's invitation, Nominating Committee Chair Cathie Gibson reported that she had canvassed all Board members who were eligible for election as 2009 – 2011 Board Officers. 2009/10 Board meeting dates were confirmed as follows, with the February 2010 date reflecting an adjustment to typical scheduling in light of the 2010 Olympic Games.

- 2009: August 20, September 18, November 19 and December 18
- 2010: January 21, February 11, March 18, April 15, May 20 and June 18

8.2 Education Council

8.2.1 Chair's Report

Susan Meshwork referenced her report, and responded to queries.

8.2.2 Board Liaison's Report

There was no news to report.

8. **REPORTS**, cont'd

12. REVISED SELF-FUNDED ACTIVITIES POLICY

Susan Witter reported that this document had been brought to the Board for information purposes only, and invited questions.

13. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GENERAL INFORMATION

The Chair drew Board members' attention to upcoming events.

14. ISSUES ARISING FROM BOARD MEETING

There were no matters arising.

15. BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS

Board members reported on recent activities.

16. DATE AND LOCATION OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting was confirmed for Thursday, April 16, 2009, with a 6:00 p.m. start in the New Westminster Campus boardroom.

17. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

CHAIR

PRESIDENT