BOARD OF GOVERNORS
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FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 2026
BISHOP'S UNIVERSITY
IN PERSON

MINUTES

Chair:	Murielle Lortie
Present:	Grace Cordeiro Ferrigno, Daren Bardati, Kent Carson, Alexandre Demers, Michelle Dunn, Christopher Gokiert, Alexandra Lebel, Sébastien Lebel-Grenier, Monika Mitchell, Pascale O'Bomsawin, Alena Perout, Nicole Riley, Arshad Taseen
Regrets:	Hafid Agourram, Daniel Fournier, Jean-Pierre Perreault, Jessica Riddell, Junior Sirivar
***Senior Administration*:**	Nick Andrews, Danai Bélanger, Kylie Côté, Julie Desjardins, Valerio Faraoni, Kerry Hull, Margaret B.K Shepherd, Annick Lambert, Jean Manore, Matthew Peros, Jacqueline Scott
Secretary:	Geneviève Gagné

1 CHAIR'S WELCOME

Chair Murielle Lortie called the meeting to order at 3:09 p.m. and acknowledged that some Board members would be attending their last meeting, while new members would be joining the Board, pending approval later in the agenda.

Grace Cordeiro Ferrigno and Monika Mitchell were welcomed as new Board members. Dr. Hafid Agourram, who sends his regrets, was also recognized as a new Board member. Thanks were expressed to Nanci Chagnon and Dr. Jessica Riddell for their contributions to the Board of Governors over the past few years.

Congratulation was extended to the University on a successful Convocation weekend, highlighting the contributions of the honorary doctorate recipients, the valedictorian's address, and the overall messages shared during the ceremonies. Appreciation was also expressed to all those who supported the event.

2 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved without modification.

- Disclosure of Conflict of Interest

  Board members were invited to declare any conflicts of interest regarding the items on the agenda. No conflict of interest was declared.

On a motion duly proposed and seconded, the agenda was adopted as presented with one abstention.

Consent Agenda

The following items were presented for approval en bloc.

3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Board of Governors' meetings held on April 24, 2026, were presented for approval.

4 SHERBROOKE CITY SUMMER DAY CAMP CONTRACT

RESOLUTION 2025-09-01
FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE
SUMMER DAY CAMP AT THE SPORT CENTRE
AND DELEGATION OF SIGNING AUTHORITY

WHEREAS the University's *Signing Authority Policy* requires approval by the Board of Governors for any contract obligating the University where the total amount involved exceeds $500,000;

AND WHEREAS the University and the City of Sherbrooke have negotiated a new day camp contract (64742-CAF);

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Governors approves the continued operation of the summer day camp and the City of Sherbrooke Day Camp contract (64742-CAF).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Governors authorizes any two of the following signing officers (the Principal and Vice-Chancellor, any Vice-Principal and the Secretary General), to sign all documents pertaining to this contract (64742-CAF).

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Governors approves the French version of this resolution which will be submitted to the City of Sherbrooke.

5 BELL MICRO-CELL ANTENNA CONTRACTS

RESOLUTION 2025-09-02
FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE
BELL MICRO-ANTENNA CONTRACTS (F2211 AND F1360-F1822-F1823)

WHEREAS the University's *Statutes* require approval by the Board of Governors for any lease contract or agreement for a term that exceeds five (5) years;

WHEREAS micro-antennas are useful in enhancing cellular signal coverage in areas on campus that have been identified as weak;

WHEREAS the Legal review has been carried out;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Governors authorizes contracts F2211 and F1360-F1822-F1823 with Bell Mobilité inc.;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board of Governors authorizes any one of the Signing Officers (Principal, any Vice-Principal, or the Secretary General) to sign documents related to contracts F2211 and F1360-F1822-F1823 with Bell Mobilité inc.

6 FUNDING REQUEST FOR THE BISHOP'S FORUM (2026-2028)

RESOLUTION 2025-09-03
FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE FUNDING REQUEST SIGNATURE AND SUBMISSION
BY THE PRINCIPAL AND VICE-CHANCELLOR OF THE BISHOP'S FORUM

WHEREAS Bishop's University has organized and hosted the Bishop's Forum annually since 2017;

WHEREAS the last cycle for government funding through the *Secrétariat aux relations avec les Québécois d'expression anglaise* received by Bishop's University for the Bishop's Forum project expired in March 2026;

WHEREAS Bishop's University wishes to apply for renewal of its government funding through the *Secrétariat aux relations avec les Québécois d'expression anglaise* for a new cycle (2026-2028);

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Governors approve the application process and entrust the Principal and Vice-Chancellor with signing the application for funding on behalf of the Bishop's Forum project, as the representative of Bishop's University.

On a motion duly proposed and seconded, the items 3 to 6 were adopted as presented.

7 BUSINESS ARISING

No items were discussed.

8 PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Principal Sébastien Lebel-Grenier began his report by noting the successful Convocation weekend and expressed appreciation to all those who contributed to the preparation of the campus and to the organization of the ceremonies.

Government Relations

***Programme de l'expérience québécoise* (PEQ)**

An update was provided regarding the *Programme de l'expérience québécoise* (PEQ), a Quebec immigration pathway for international students following their studies. Principal Sébastien Lebel-Grenier noted the temporary reinstatement of the program for anglophone universities and indicated that further information would be provided in closed session.

Bill 1 – *Quebec Constitution Act*

Principal Sébastien Lebel- Grenier indicated that Bill 1 – *Quebec Constitution Act*, would not move forward in the current session of the National Assembly. He noted that continued advocacy would be necessary to protect the rights and interests of English-language institutions and the communities they serve in any future process.

Bill 8 - *Act to Regulate the Language of Instruction in Vocational Training and in Adult General Education*

An update was also provided on Bill 8 – *Act to Regulate the Language of Instruction in Vocational Training and in Adult General Education*, which will not proceed in the current session but could be reintroduced by a future government.

Community and Institutional Updates

Wellness Day

Board members were informed of the upcoming Wellness Day, highlighting its importance in fostering engagement, informal connection and wellbeing within the University community.

Townhall

Principal Sébastien Lebel-Grenier noted that the annual Townhall would be held on June 18, 2026, and would be preceded by a new recognition ceremony. The celebration is intended to recognize members of the University community, including the Distinguished Professor Emeritus/Emerita designation, Faculty Merit Awards, and Contract Faculty Teaching Awards. New prizes and recognition will also be announced and awarded for the first time at the ceremony.

Board Retreat

Board members were reminded that the annual Board Retreat was scheduled for June 13, 2026. Key discussions will include an update on the implementation of the Strategic Plan and the report of the Special Advisory Committee on Athletics Operations Sustainability.

Research Chairs

Principal Sébastien Lebel-Grenier provided updates on Research Chairs at the University, noting that one of Bishop's Canada Research Chairs, held by Dr. Jason Rowe, will come to an end in the next year and that an internal call has been launched for eligible faculty members interested in applying. He also mentioned that the Stephen A. Jarislowsky Chair of Undergraduate Teaching Excellence, held by Dr. Jessica Riddell, will be concluding in two (2) years. The internal call will be launched in approximately one (1) year to identify the next chair holder. The appointment will be for an initial five (5) year term, with the possibility of renewal for a second term.

The announcement of the creation of the Marjorie Goodfellow Chair in English Quebec Studies was also highlighted. Principal Sébastien Lebel-Grenier emphasized Ms. Goodfellow's significant contributions to the English-speaking community in the Eastern Townships and her longstanding connection to Bishop's University. The Chair is expected to be launched following the completion of the estate liquidation process and will be awarded through an internal competitive process.

It was further noted that Bishop's has been successful in securing a new Quebec Research Chair funding opportunity. Work is ongoing to explore additional funding opportunities that could further strengthen the Chair and support research capacity at the University.

9 REPORT OF THE STUDENT'S REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL PRESIDENT (SRC)

Students' Representative Council President Grace Cordeiro Ferrigno provided an update on the SRC's activities and priorities for the beginning of its mandate. She introduced the members of the SRC Board of Directors and explained that the SRC is now in the second year of its new governance structure.

Orientation Week

The planning of Orientation Week is underway and the SRC is working closely with University partners to coordinate student events and improve communication with students. Current initiatives include efforts to develop additional non-alcoholic beverage options at the Gait.

Advocacy Work

An update on the advocacy work and priorities, both at the federal and provincial level, was given, including the work with the *Canadian Alliance of Student Associations* and the *Quebec Student Union*. Key areas of focus include housing, international and Indigenous student issues, student mental health, and broader advocacy priorities affecting students. It was noted that additional meetings, conferences, and partnership-building activities are planned in the coming months to support student priorities and strengthen collaboration with other student associations.

Students' Representative Council President Grace Cordeiro Ferrigno concluded with words of appreciation for the success of Convocation weekend.

10 VICE-PRINCIPAL ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH REPORT

Vice-Principal Academic and Research Dr. Kerry Hull provided an update on the academic planning process, noting that while progress over the past year had not advanced as quickly as planned, significant work had been completed. She expressed gratitude to faculty and staff emphasizing the continuous support of all toward the financial and academic sustainability of the University.

She reported that the Viability and Resourcing Review had received endorsement in principle by Senate, allowing for continued discussion and flexibility as the review informs future academic planning and decision-making. She also noted that work is ongoing on academic measures related to degree regulations, including the development of clearer common terminology across programs and departments to support future discussions on degree requirements, depth and breadth, and student success.

Reference was made to the research report, including the success of graduates from the Individualized Master's program, several of whom have gone on to pursue doctoral studies.

Vice-Principal Academic and Research Dr. Kerry Hull concluded her report by providing information on changes to academic officer roles noting that each Dean will engage in University-wide leadership opportunities in addition to their divisional responsibilities. Appreciation was expressed to the Interim Associate Vice-Principal Research, Dr. Matthew Peros, and the Interim Associate Vice-Principal Learning and Teaching, Jean Manore, for their work over the past year.

A question was raised regarding the progress of the academic planning exercises in relation to the timeline outlined in the original motions. Vice-Principal Academic and Research Dr. Kerry Hull acknowledged that the original timeline had been highly ambitious. While considerable progress had been made, additional time would be required to enable academic units to participate fully in discussions concerning degree regulations and depth and breadth requirements. This approach reflected the University's decision to prioritize well-considered, comprehensive outcomes over rapid implementation.

11 FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE

Chair of the Finance and Audit Committee Kent Carson acknowledge that the current University financial environment remains challenging, particularly given the ongoing uncertainty related to enrolment and government funding. He noted that the current financial environment continues to involve uncertainty, particularly with respect to enrolment and government funding. As a result, forecasts and budget assumptions may continue to fluctuate as additional information becomes available.

Vice-Principal Finance and Administration Kylie Côté noted that the Capital Plan and final cash flow budget would be deferred to the fall as the provisional cash flow budget presented at the April 10, 2026, had been approved and very little variations were expected which does not implicate any repercussions to deferring the final approval.

2026-2027 Operating Budget

The final operating budget was presented, with it being noted that financial uncertainty remains, particularly with respect to government funding rules. Although preliminary budget rules were received in April, several variables remain unknown and could still affect the overall projections.

The budget presented showed a projected operating deficit of $2.8 million, representing a slight change from the provisional budget presented in April. The main differences are related to updated government funding indexation assumptions and adjustments to enrolment-based funding calculations. Vice-Principal Finance and Administration Kylie Côté reported that the University is projecting a balanced operating result for 2025–2026, pending completion of the external audit.

RESOLUTION 2025-09-04
FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE 2026-2027 OPERATING BUDGET

WHEREAS the Board of Governors is required by the *Ministère de l'Enseignement supérieur* (MES) to approve the annual Operating Budget;

WHEREAS the University's *Statutes* require approval by the Board of Governors of the annual Operating Budget;

AND WHEREAS the Finance and Audit Committee has reviewed and discussed the 2026-27 Operating Budget and recommends Board approval;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Governors approves the 2026-27 Operating Budget as presented by the Vice-Principal Finance and Administration and set out in the 2026-27 Operating Budget presentation;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board of Governors approves the French version of this resolution which will be submitted to the MES.

On a motion duly proposed and seconded, the resolution was adopted as presented.

Vice-Principal, Finance and Administration, Kylie Côté presented an overview of the future-year projections, which are based on assumptions related to tuition and compulsory fee increases, government grant indexation, enrolment growth, salary increases, and general increases to revenues and expenses.

Information on the savings and revenue targets was also provided, noting that the academic targets remain aligned with the projected plan, although some savings have not yet been formalized. On the non-academic side, it was reported that the University is currently projecting that the established targets will be met.

In response to questions concerning the timeline for financial updates, it was clarified that a high-level update is typically provided in December, while the formal fiscal forecast is prepared in the new year as part of the current-year forecast and next-year budget process. It was further noted that any financial implications arising from Board discussions or recommendations would be incorporated into future forecasts, as appropriate.

Procurement Reporting to the Government

Vice-Principal Finance and Administration Kylie Côté proceeded with the annual report on exceptions to procurement requirements under the *Loi sur les contrats des organismes publics* (LCOP). It was noted that the report includes exceptions from the previous year as well as anticipated exceptions for the coming year.

RESOLUTION 2025-09-05
FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE LCOP CONTRACT EXCEPTIONS – MAY 2026

WHEREAS the Act Respecting Contracting by Public Bodies (*Loi sur les contrats des organismes publics*) (LCOP) requires public bodies to report any procurement exceptions accorded by the LCOP dirigeante;

WHEREAS the Procurement Office has identified the following five (5) contracts which should be exempt from the LCOP public call for tenders: Honeywell, ProQuest3, CRKN3, EBSCO3 and Énergir;

WHEREAS the University's Signing Authority Policy requires approval by the Board of Governors for any contract obligating the University where the total amount involved exceeds $500,000;

AND WHEREAS the Finance and Audit Committee has reviewed and discussed the LCOP contract exceptions listed above and recommends Board approval;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Governors approves the following five (5) contracts: Honeywell, ProQuest3, CRKN3, EBSCO3 and Énergir;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Governors authorizes its LCOP dirigeante, to sign all documents required to report the LCOP contract exceptions for following five (5) contracts: Honeywell, ProQuest3, CRKN3, EBSCO3 and Énergir.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board of Governors approves the French version of this resolution which will be submitted, if required, to the government.

On a motion duly proposed and seconded, the resolution was adopted as presented.

12 SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND BUILT ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Chair of the Sustainable Development and Built Environment Committee, Alexandre Demers, provided an update on the Mackinnon project. He explained that original analyses indicated that a full demolition of Mackinnon Hall was the most appropriate approach. However, due to current construction costs, the project has been revised from a full demolition and reconstruction to a major renovation. The most recent budget is $18.5 million, but it was noted that caution is required given the age of the building and the potential for unforeseen issues. The project will include required safety and code-related upgrades, as well as work related to the windows and building envelope.

RESOLUTION 2025-09-06
FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE
MACKINNON PROJECT BUDGET

WHEREAS the Board approved a $19M budget for the Mackinnon project in the 2024 Capital Plan;

WHEREAS the University has presented an $18.5M budget for the renovation of Mackinnon;

WHEREAS the University's Signing Authority Policy requires approval by the Board of Governors for any contract obligating the University where the total amount involved exceeds $500,000;

AND WHEREAS the Sustainable Development and Built Environment Committee reviewed the Mackinnon renovation project;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Governors approves the budget of $18.5M for the Mackinnon renovation project.

On a motion duly proposed and seconded, the resolution was adopted as presented.

The authorization for the signing of the contract with CIMA+ for the architectural service and detailed designed for the Mackinnon project was presented. It was noted that this work will support the preparation of the specifications and documentation required for the call for tenders.

RESOLUTION 2025-09-07
FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE
MACKINNON PROJECT PROFESSIONAL CONTRACTS
AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

WHEREAS the University's *Signing Authority Policy* requires approval by the Board of Governors for any contract obligating the University where the total amount involved exceeds $500,000;

AND WHEREAS the Sustainable Development and Built Environment Committee discussed the Mackinnon professional contracts with Équipe A and CIMA+ recommends Board approval;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Governors approves professional contracts with Équipe A and CIMA+;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board of Governors authorizes any two of the following signing officers (Principal and Vice Chancellor, any Vice-Principal, and the Secretary General), to co-sign the professional contracts related to the contracts with Équipe A and CIMA+.

On a motion duly proposed and seconded, the resolution was adopted as presented.

Educational Farm Building Project

Chair of the Sustainable Development and Built Environment Committee Alexandre Demers briefed the Board members on the Educational Farm building project. He noted that the project had received approval from the *Commission de protection du territoire agricole du Québec* (CPTAQ) in the Fall of 2025. The project budget was revised to $3.5 million, compared to the previously approved budget of $5 million, with approximately $1 million already spent to date. He explained that the reduction in budget was mainly due to the reduction in scope of the project and its related infrastructure requirements. As the project is fully funded through philanthropy, it is not subject to the customary procurement requirements, allowing for a quicker timeline.

RESOLUTION 2025-09-08
FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE
EDUCATIONAL FARM BUILDING BUDGET

WHEREAS the Board of Governors approved a $5M budget for the Educational Farm project – Phase 1 in the 2025 Capital Plan;

WHEREAS the University has presented a $2.5M budget for the Educational Farm Building;

WHEREAS the University's Signing Authority Policy requires approval by the Board of Governors for any contract obligating the University where the total amount involved exceeds $500,000;

AND WHEREAS the Sustainable Development and Built Environment Committee reviewed the Educational Farm Building project budget and recommends the Board of Governors approve it;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Governors approves the budget of $2.5M for the Educational Farm Building project.

On a motion duly proposed and seconded, the resolution was adopted as presented.

Authorization for the signing authority for the construction contract was presented. It was noted that the call for tenders would be released shortly and that construction is expected to begin in September.

RESOLUTION 2025-09-09
FOR THE AWARDING OF THE
CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR THE EDUCATIONAL FARM BUILDING

WHEREAS the Board of Governors approved a $2.5M budget for the Educational Farm Building project;

WHEREAS the University's Signing Authority Policy requires approval by the Board of Governors for any contract obligating the University where the total amount involved exceeds $500,000;

WHEREAS the timing of the opening of the bids and the start of construction is very short and any delays in the awarding of the construction contract may affect the completion of the enclosure of the structure before winter;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Governors approves the awarding of the construction contract for the Educational Farm Building project to the selected construction contractor providing the contract is within budget and that all other compliancy requirements are met.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board of Governors authorizes any two of the following signing officers (Principal and Vice Chancellor, any Vice-Principal, and the Secretary General), to co-sign the professional contracts related to the construction contract for the Educational Farm Building project.

On a motion duly proposed and seconded, the resolution was adopted as presented.

Information on the different initiatives and activities that have taken place on campus, including the sustainable transportation and e-bike initiative, the bus subsidies were discussed. Board members were encouraged to review the report to learn more about the various activities underway.

13 AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR THE PATERSON HALL EXTENSION

Chair of the Ad hoc Committee for the Paterson Hall Extension Alexandre Demers reported that the project is progressing, with the contractor's timeline indicating completion by the end of 2026, early 2027. follow-up meetings with the contractor and internal teams have increased in frequency to closely monitor progress. It was noted that cost overruns have occurred and are primarily due to soil contamination identified earlier in the project.

14 AD HOC OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE FOR KWIGW8MNA

Principal Sébastien Lebel-Grenier provided an overview and final update on the Kwigw8mna project, noting that the project is now complete. He reported that the project was completed under budget, allowing some renovation funding and reserves to be preserved for future needs.

15 HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Associate Vice-Principal Human Resources Nick Andrews provided an update on human resources matters, including collective agreement negotiations. It was noted that several collective agreements have been completed, with contract faculty negotiations still ongoing. Salary increases were also discussed, with the next round of negotiations expected in 2028.

The 2026 employee engagement survey (TalentMap) showed positive results in areas such as psychological safety, employee voice, workplace culture, and mental health support. Areas for continued attention include leadership, communication, change management, and departmental-level follow-up.

Updates were also provided on the full-time pension plan, which remains in a positive position, and on the annual safety report, which reflected positive trends.

16 COMMITTEE ON LIFE AT THE UNIVERSITY

Before presenting the Committee on Life at the University (CLU) report, Grace Cordeiro Ferrigno reminded members of e-petition 7431, supported by CASA and the Quebec Student Union, calling for permanent federal investment in Indigenous post-secondary education. Members were encouraged to sign and share the petition.

Chair of the CLU Grace Cordeiro Ferrigno presented the Committee report noting that the Committee discussed the allocation of student fees, the *Student Support and Wellbeing Policy*, and the increased demand for student services. Concerns were also raised regarding the impact of financial constraints on the University's ability to respond to growing student needs, particularly in relation to mental health, food insecurity and housing.

17 INFORMATION RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Secretary General Geneviève Gagné gave an overview of the rationale concerning the *Policy Governing the Administrative Uses of Artificial Intelligence,* noting that it would be presented at the next item. Chief Information Officer Scott Stoddard pointed out that the policy is intended to comply with governmental requirements while maintaining the University's ability to innovate and remain agile.

18 POLICY GOVERNING ADMINISTRATIVE USES OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Secretary General Geneviève Gagné mentioned that the policy strikes an appropriate balance at this time, while recognizing that it will need to be reviewed regularly given the rapidly evolving nature of artificial intelligence.

It was further noted that the policy is intended to establish basic governance and evaluation processes before additional AI tools are implemented beyond those already in use.

RESOLUTION 2025-09-10
FOR THE APPROVAL OF A
POLICY GOVERNING THE ADMINISTRATIVE USES OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

WHEREAS the Quebec government, through Application Guideline IA-RI-2025-003-OP issued pursuant to the Act respecting the governance and management of the information resources of public bodies and government enterprises, requires public bodies to establish a governance framework to enable the implementation and use of artificial intelligence tools in administrative processes and services;

WHEREAS the Office of the Secretary General and the Information Technology Services conducted a process to develop a policy governing the administrative uses of artificial intelligence, which included consultations with relevant stakeholders, managers and directors, members of the Planning Committee and members of the Senate;

WHEREAS the Executive Committee reviewed the proposed Policy Governing the Administrative Uses of Artificial Intelligence and approved its presentation to the Information Resources Committee for recommendation to the Board of Governors;

WHEREAS the Information Resources Committee reviewed the proposed Policy Governing the Administrative Uses of Artificial Intelligence and recommended its approval by the Board of Governors;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Governors approve the Policy Governing the Administrative Uses of Artificial Intelligence.

On a motion duly proposed and seconded, the resolution was adopted as presented.

19 STUDENT SUPPORT AND WELLBEING POLICY

Vice-Principal Student Affairs and Equity Diversity and Inclusion Danai Bélanger presented the proposed amendment to *Student Support and Wellbeing Policy*. It was explained that the policy guides the development of support plans and interventions for students requiring additional support and that the amendments are meant to reflect current roles and the establishment of new positions to better support the development of more comprehensive student support plans, including representation from Student Services, Residence and Campus Life, Indigenous and Cultural Relations, and a clinician.

Questions were raised regarding the proposed committee structure, including privacy considerations, student representation, and the appeal process. It was clarified that the proposed amendments are primarily intended to update committee membership to reflect current roles and ensure that the appropriate expertise is available when developing support plans for students. It was further clarified that the proposed changes to committee membership do not require new positions or additional headcount, but rather update the policy to reflect existing roles and responsibilities on campus.

RESOLUTION2025-09-11
FOR THE APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS
TO THE STUDENT SUPPORT AND WELLBEING POLICY

WHEREAS the current members of the Student Care Team (BU-SCT) outlined in the Student Support and Wellbeing Policy do not reflect the current support and representational needs of the Policy;

WHEREAS the Vice-Principal Student Affairs and Equity, Diversity and Inclusion proposed amendments to the Policy to better answer these needs and reflect structural and position changes that occurred within Student Affairs since the latest revision of the Policy in June 2024;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Governors approve the proposed amendments to the *Policy on Student Support and Wellbeing*, as presented in document 2025-09-19i.

On a motion duly proposed and seconded, the resolution was adopted as presented with one (1) member abstaining.

20 FUNDING REQUEST FOR BISHOP'S UNIVERSITY GOLF COURSE CLUBHOUSE

Vice-Principal Finance and Administration Kylie Côté presented the funding request related to the golf course clubhouse explaining that the University intends to submit an application under the *Programme d'aide financière aux infrastructures récréatives, sportives et de plein air* (PAFIRSPA) to support renovations to the clubhouse, which had previously been identified in the capital plan. The proposed project is estimated at approximately $925,000, with the grant program covering 66% of eligible costs.

Vice-Principal Finance and Administration Kylie Côté mentioned that the approval is to authorize Céline Jury, Manager of Capital Projects, to submit the application on behalf of the University, and to confirm that the University would pay its share of the project costs should the application be successful.

In response to a question, it was clarified that the funding opportunity would allow the University to proceed with a more comprehensive renovation of the existing clubhouse. Without the grant, the project would likely be more limited in scope.

RESOLUTION 2025-09-12

FOR THE GRANT APPLICATION FOR RENOVATING THE GOLF COURSE CLUBHOUSE AND DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

WHEREAS Bishop's University would like to renovate the Old Lennoxville Golf Club House;

WHEREAS the Old Lennoxville Golf Club House is not eligible for regular PQI funding;

AND WHEREAS the Government of Quebec requires that the University commits to pay its share of the eligible costs and all non-eligible costs of the project and to pay the ongoing operating costs of the latter, to assume any increase in the operating budget generated by the project and not to award a direct cost contract before obtaining an announcement letter from the Ministry of Education;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Governors authorizes the University to present a grant application for the project to renovate the Golf Club House to the Ministry of Education under the *Programme d'aide financière aux infrastructures récréatives, sportives et de plein air* (PAFIRSPA);

BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Governors confirms the University's commitment to pay its share of the eligible costs and all non-eligible costs of the project and to pay the ongoing operating costs of the latter, to assume any increase in the operating budget generated by the project and not to award a direct cost contract before obtaining an announcement letter from the Ministry of Education;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Governors authorizes Céline Jury, Manager of Capital Projects, to sign any and all documents related to the application and the funding agreement for the project;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board of Governors approves the French version of this resolution which will be submitted to the Ministry of Education.

On a motion duly proposed and seconded, the resolution was adopted as presented.

The open session adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

The closed session with internal members adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting ended at 6:15 p.m.

Murielle Lortie, Chair

Geneviève Gagné, Secretary General