



BOARD OF GOVERNORS  
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FEBRUARY 3<sup>RD</sup>, 2023  
**MINUTES**  
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- Chair:*** Robert Hall
- Present:*** Jane Brydges, Mark Caduc, Kent Carson, Pierre Cossette, Daniel Fournier, Michael Goldbloom, Murielle Lortie, Michel Marleau, Heather McKeen-Edwards, Suzie O'Bomsawin, Jessica Riddell, Calin Valsan, Tova White
- Regrets:*** Abel Bosum, Camilla Rizzi, Junior Sirivar
- Senior Administration:*** Nick Andrews, Reena Atanasiadis, Isabelle Goyette, Claire Grogan, Kerry Hull, Stine Linden-Andersen, Michele Murray, Jacqueline Scott, Andrew Webster
- Secretary:*** Denise Lauzière

**ITEM 1: CHAIR'S WELCOME**

Chair Robert Hall called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

**ITEM 2: APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Moved by: Michel Marleau  
Seconded by: Suzie O'Bomsawin  
**Motion carried.**

**ITEM 3: APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the December 16, 2022 meeting were approved as presented.

Moved by: Kent Carson

Seconded by: Jane Brydges

**Motion carried.**

**ITEM 4: BUSINESS ARISING**

There was no business arising from the previous meeting.

**ITEM 5: PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

Kwigw8mna

In June 2022, the single tender submitted for the Kwigw8mna project, which was almost double the project budget, was declined by the University. At that time, Principal Goldbloom stated that he would not recommend the start of any major new construction projects at Bishop's until the funding for Kwigw8mna had been secured. The University advised the Quebec government of that commitment and has been working hard to secure the additional funds that we anticipate will be required to proceed with the project. Construction work has continued on projects, such as the new residence and the indoor pool, which were already underway.

Principal Goldbloom said that the University will only proceed with other projects that are critical for the University and which would not impact on our capacity to proceed with Kwigw8mna.

The stakeholder group, led by Vicky Boldo and Shawna Chatterton Jerome, has continued to make constructive suggestions and propose solutions. Principal Goldbloom expressed his appreciation for the leadership the stakeholder group is providing.

The University hopes to issue a new call for tender by the end of February 2023.

Donald Lectures

Mr. Jared Fishman, a civil rights lawyer and social justice innovator in the United States will present a Donald Lecture on February 21<sup>st</sup>. He is the founder and Executive Director of the Justice Innovation Lab, an organization that uses a collaborative, data-informed approach to help identify and fix harmful outcomes in justice systems across the United States.

Mr. Fishman is the author of *Fire on the Levee: the Murder of Henry Glover and the Search for Justice After Hurricane Katrina*, which tells the story of the murder of a Black man after Hurricane Katrina. His investigation resulted in the prosecution of five New Orleans Police Department officers.

Dr. Esi Edugyan will present a Donald Lecture on March 22, 2023. She has received the Giller Prize for her novels *Half-Blood Blues* (2011) and *Washington Black* (2018). In 2021 she delivered the CBC Massey Lectures which she adapted into a book *Out of the Sun: On Race and Storytelling*. Dr. Edugyan received an honorary doctorate from Bishop's in 2022 and will be the chair of the 2023 Booker Prize jury.

Principal Goldbloom reported that the University had purchased 500 copies of 'Washington Black' to be distributed to students in the weeks leading up to Dr. Edugyan's Lecture.

#### Top 10 after 10

On March 24<sup>th</sup>, ten Bishop's graduates will be celebrated for their impressive accomplishments. Graduates of classes from 2002-2012 years are eligible for consideration for this award. An Advisory Committee selects the inductees. The Bishop's community will have the opportunity to meet with the Top Ten after Ten and learn about their journeys at a lunch that day.

#### New Student Residence

The official opening of the new student residence will be held on February 20<sup>th</sup>. A naming ceremony will be held on April 15<sup>th</sup>.

#### **ITEM 6: REPORT OF THE STUDENTS' REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

The President of the Students' Representative Council (SRC), Ms Camilla Rizzi, was unable to attend the meeting. The Vice-Principal of Student Affairs, Dr. Stine Linden-Andersen, presented a summary of the following SRC activities:

- WinterFest will be held the weekend of February 10-11. Over 1,100 tickets for the event have been sold.
- SRC Executive elections. The deadline for nominations to the SRC Executive is February 9<sup>th</sup>. The deadline for nominations for the General SRC positions is March 9<sup>th</sup>.
- The CASA fashion show will be held on February 4<sup>th</sup>.

#### **ITEM 7: ACADEMIC REPORT**

Vice-Principal Academic and Research Andrew Webster began by recognizing the efforts made by faculty, students and staff to ensure that campus life returned in full strength post COVID. The University is humming with activity in all its facets and our academic purposes of teaching and research are more important than ever.

Dr. Webster reported that after a lengthy search with the help of an advisory committee comprised of a diverse pool of Bishop's researchers, Dr. Joachim Jean-Jules has been appointed the Director of the Office of Research and Graduate Studies. Dr. Jean-Jules was previously employed at the Canadian Institute for Entrepreneurship and Management (CIEM), where he has been serving as Director of Research and Training since 2016. In addition to holding an MBA and a doctorate in business administration, he has 15 years of

experience in grant management and research administration. With a strong focus on service delivery and engagement with faculty, he is excited to begin work with the research community at Bishop's.

**ITEM 8: INFORMATION RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

The Chair of the Information Resources Committee, Mr. Kent Carson, reported that the Committee met on January 18<sup>th</sup> 2023 to review:

- Cybersecurity update
- Server and storage solution software project
- Enterprise resource planning (ERP) system
- Digital strategy
- ITS organizational and cultural change action plan
- Information Technology Infrastructure Library (ITIL) – a framework to manage IT services

The Director of Information Technology Services (ITS), Mr. Mark Caduc presented a summary of the current IT issues of concern to Quebec universities and the solutions discussed by the Committee.

**ITEM 9: JOINT BOARD AND SENATE WORKING GROUP ON EQUITY, DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION (EDI)**

The Chair of the Governance and Ethics Committee, Ms Tova White, reported on the recommendation made by the working group which was tasked by the Board of Governors and Senate to propose a committee mandate, structure and composition for a joint Board and Senate Committee on EDI.

Motion

The Board of Governors hereby approves the creation of a Joint Board and Senate Working Group on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion with the mandate, structure and composition as set out in Document 2022-04-09.

Moved by: Suzie O'Bomsawin

Seconded by: Kent Carson

**Motion carried.**

Motion

THAT the Board of Governors hereby nominates Junior Sirivar and Dr. Heather McKeen-Edwards to the Joint Board and Senate Working Group on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion.

THAT after presentation to Senate at its February 24, 2023 meeting, if approved as presented, the Board of Governors mandates the Interim Secretary General to ask the Councils to appoint members to the Working Group.

Moved by: Michel Marleau  
Seconded by: Jane Brydges  
**Motion carried.**

**ITEM 10: AD HOC SEARCH COMMITTEE FOR A PRINCIPAL AND VICE-CHANCELLOR**  
Chair Robert Hall reported that the Committee had met several times and was in the process of completing the first round of interviews. The Committee will meet soon to decide on a shorter list of candidates to invite to second interviews.

**ITEM 11: AD HOC SEARCH COMMITTEE FOR A SECRETARY GENERAL**

Chair Robert Hall reported that the Search for the Secretary General had been put on hold until the new Principal and Vice-Chancellor has been chosen.

**ITEM 12: 2023-24 MEETING DATES**

Interim Secretary General Denise Lauzière presented the 2023-24 meeting dates.

The open session ended at 4:04 p.m.

The meeting ended at 4:34 p.m.



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Robert Hall, Chair

  

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Denise Lauzière, Secretary