



JUNE 10TH, 2022

MINUTES

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Chair: Robert Hall

Present: Jane Brydges, Mark Caduc, Kent Carson, Daniel Fournier, Michael Goldbloom, Brian Levitt, Michel Marleau, Heather McKeen-Edwards, Cathy McLean, Samia Mihoub, Suzie O'Bomsawin, Camilla Rizzi, Calin Valsan, Tova White

Regrets: Abel Bosum, Pierre Cossette, Jessica Riddell

Senior Administration: Nick Andrews, Reena Atanasiadis, Julie Desjardins, Marie-Josée Dufour, Isabelle Goyette, Claire Grogan, Kerry Hull, Denise Lauzière, Stine Linden-Andersen, Michele Murray, Jacqueline Scott, Miles Turnbull

Guests: Joanna Birenbaum, Murielle Lortie, Nadia Martel

Secretary: Trygve Ugland

ITEM 1: CHAIR'S WELCOME

Chair Robert Hall called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m. He welcomed External Governor Murielle Lortie '91, Mark Caduc, the Managers' Council representative and the Dean of the School of Education, Dr. Julie Desjardins.

Chair Hall noted that Cathy McLean and Brian Levitt were attending their last Board meeting and thanked them for their contributions to the Board of Governors.

ITEM 2: APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as presented.

Moved by: Michel Marleau

Seconded by: Jane Brydges

Motion carried.

ITEM 3: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the April 29, 2022 meeting were approved as presented.

Moved by: Tova White

Seconded by: Cathy McLean

Motion carried.

ITEM 4: BUSINESS ARISING

There was no business arising.

ITEM 5: PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Principal Michael Goldbloom reported that over the weekend of June 3rd to 5th the University held two Chancellor's Graduation Dinners and four Convocation ceremonies to celebrate the Classes of 2020, 2021 and 2022. The dinners were held at the Centre de foires de Sherbrooke and the ceremonies were held on campus in the Denver Gym.

At the Chancellor's Dinner on Friday, June 3rd 720 guests celebrated the Classes of 2020 and 2021 together. Saturday evening's Chancellor's Dinner for the Class of 2022 was attended by 660 guests. Graduating students and their families, Governors, faculty, staff and those receiving honorary degrees attended the dinners.

The Class of 2020 ceremony was held on Saturday morning, June 4th, with 207 graduates honoured and over 750 guests in attendance. The Class of 2021 ceremony was held on Saturday afternoon with 382 graduates and 850 guests. Finally, two ceremonies were held on Sunday, June 5th, for the Class of 2022 (189 students and 659 guests in the morning; 230 students and 794 guests in the afternoon).

The University also granted honorary degrees to six distinguished individuals over the course of the weekend:

- Christy Clark, former premier of British Columbia
- Louis Garneau, O.C., C.Q., President of Louis Garneau Sports
- Glenn Lowry, Director of the Museum of Modern Art in New York City
- Dr. Sophie D'Amours, O.C., Rectrice of Université Laval
- Esi Edugyan, award-winning author
- Dr. Caroline Quach-Thanh, clinician-scientist and COVID-19 expert

Five graduates delivered valedictory addresses over the course of the weekend:

- Class of 2020: Noah Jepson
- Class of 2021: Sally Cunningham and Sabrina-Binta Koné
- Class of 2022: Natalie Nguyen and Antoun Shahin

Antoun Shahin '22 arrived at Bishop's from Syria in 2018 as a refugee student supported by the Bishop's University/Champlain College Refugee Sponsorship Program. In his valedictory address, Antoun encouraged his classmates to find courage from his story. Although he was initially barely able to speak and understand English when he arrived at Bishop's, he eventually graduated with distinction with a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science.

Principal Goldbloom said he was touched by the number of students and families, particularly from the Classes of 2020 and 2021, who returned to Bishop's to celebrate their graduation in person.

Principal Goldbloom said that the success of Convocation was due to the collective efforts of many individuals.

ITEM 6: COVID-19 UPDATE

The Dean of Student Affairs, Dr. Stine Linden-Andersen reported that the University had lifted the mask requirement on campus as of June 6, 2022. Dr. Linden-Andersen said that the COVID Task Force would continue to monitor directives from Public Health to determine which measures, if any, would need to be in place for Fall 2022.

ITEM 7: ACADEMIC REPORT

Vice-Principal Academic and Research Miles Turnbull reported on Fall 2022 applications and enrolment. Fall 2022 applications at the undergraduate level are higher than at the same time in 2020 and 2021. This is also true for graduate programs and certificates as well as incoming exchange applications.

Dr. Turnbull said that recruitment for tenure-stream positions was progressing well. Dr. Danilo Fernandes DaSilva has accepted his offer in Sports Studies and Dr. Sarathi Weraduwege had accepted her offer from the Biology/Biochemistry department.

On June 2, 2022, the Honourable François-Philippe Champagne, Minister of Innovation, Science and Industry, officially announced the most recent round of Canada Research Chair recipients. Dr. Genner Llanes-Ortiz was officially announced as Canada Research Chair in Digital Indigenities.

Dr. Turnbull reported that tri-council research agencies and the Canada Research program require universities to have a separate, stand-alone Research Strategic Plan. The University's current Strategic Research Plan extends from 2017 to 2022. It built on the five previous strategic plans for research at Bishop's University.

In 2020, the Vice-Principal Academic and Research led an evaluation process of the Strategic Research Plan, supported by the Senate Research Committee and the Director of Research and Graduate Studies. The Senate Research Committee proposed that the 2017-2022 Strategic Research Plan would be extended by the way of an "interim" Strategic Research Plan for 2022-2024.

RESOLUTION 2021-13-01
2022-24 STRATEGIC RESEARCH PLAN

Be it resolved that the Board of Governors of Bishop's University approves the 2022-2024 Strategic Research Plan.

Moved by: Cathy McLean

Seconded by: Michel Marleau

Motion carried.

Secretary General Trygve Ugland advised the Chair that Joanna Birenbaum of the Canadian Centre for Legal Innovation in Sexual Assault Response (CCLISAR) was delayed. Chair Robert Hall proposed that item 8 would be postponed until she joined the meeting.

ITEM 9: CAMPUS LANDSCAPE AND BUILT ENVIRONMENT DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The Chair of the Campus Landscape and Built Environment Development Committee Cathy McLean reported that the Committee had reviewed the financial impact of the updated Housing Plan, the 2022-27 Capital Plan and an update on construction projects.

Vice-Principal Finance and Administration Isabelle Goyette presented the 2022-27 Capital Plan.

RESOLUTION 2021-13-02
2022-27 CAPITAL PLAN

WHEREAS the *Ministère de l'Enseignement Supérieur (MES)* requires approval by the Board of Governors of the 2022-27 Capital Plan;

WHEREAS the Campus Landscape and Built Environment Development Committee of the University has discussed the 2022-27 Capital Plan and the associated risks;

AND WHEREAS all contracts exceeding \$500,000 will be submitted to the Board of Governors for approval even if the Board has approved them in the Capital Plan as per the Signing Authority outlined in the University's statutes;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Governors approves the 2022-27 Capital Plan as presented by the Vice-Principal Finance and Administration.

Moved by: Tova White
Seconded by: Jane Brydges

Motion carried.

ITEM 10: GOVERNANCE AND ETHICS COMMITTEE

The Chair of the Governance and Ethics Committee, Ms. Tova White reported that the Committee met to discuss an amendment to the University Statutes, orientation sessions for new Governors and the creation of a joint Board – Senate Committee on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion.

At the April 29, 2022 Board meeting, the Joint Board and Senate Task Force on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) presented its final report to the Board of Governors and the Chair of the Board asked the Governance and Ethics Committee to reflect further on the details and practical implementation of the EDI Task Force recommendation to establish a new joint Board and Senate Standing Committee.

At its meeting on May 4, 2022, the Governance and Ethics Committee discussed different options for a joint Board and Senate collaboration on EDI matters. The Chair of the

Governance and Ethics Committee proposed to work with representatives of Senate and the Board of Governors on a committee mandate, structure and composition.

The recommendation to establish a Joint Board-Senate Standing Committee on EDI was presented to Senate on May 20, 2022. At that meeting, it was decided that the Senate Nominating Committee would name two Senate representatives to work with representatives of the Board to propose a mandate, structure and composition of a Joint Board and Senate Committee. The representatives of the Board for this matter are Tova White and Abel Bosum.

ITEM 11: NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Chair of the Nominating Committee, M^c Robert Hall reported that there were two External Governors whose terms were ending June 30th 2022: Abel Bosum and himself.

RESOLUTION 2021-13-03

REAPPOINTING AN EXTERNAL GOVERNOR

WHEREAS the Nominating Committee has recommended the reappointment of Abel Bosum for a three-year term beginning on July 1st 2022 and ending on June 30th 2025;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Abel Bosum be reappointed to the Board of Governors of Bishop's University for a term ending on June 30th 2025.

Moved by: Brian Levitt
Seconded by: Michel Marleau

Motion carried.

M^c Robert Hall left the room and Vice-Chair Cathy McLean assumed the Chair.

RESOLUTION 2021-13-04

REAPPOINTING AN EXTERNAL GOVERNOR

WHEREAS the Nominating Committee has recommended the reappointment of Robert Hall for a three-year term beginning on July 1st 2022 and ending on June 30th 2025;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Robert Hall be reappointed to the Board of Governors of Bishop's University for a term ending on June 30th 2025.

Moved by: Jane Brydges
Seconded by: Kent Carson

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2021-13-05

REAPPOINTMENT OF THE
CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

WHEREAS s. 1.4 of Division I of the Statutes of Bishop's University provides that the Chair of the Board of Governors "shall, upon the recommendation of the Nominating Committee, be elected from among the External Governors" to serve in such capacity for a one-year term;

WHEREAS the term of the Chair is renewable;

WHEREAS Robert Hall was re-appointed Chair of the Board of Governors on October 1st 2021 for a one-year term to expire on October 15th 2022;

AND WHEREAS the Nominating Committee has proposed that Robert Hall be re-appointed Chair of the Board for a one-year term, renewable;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Governors reappoints Robert Hall as Chair of the Board of Governors for a one-year term to expire on July 1st 2023.

Moved by: Michel Marleau

Seconded by: Tova White

Motion carried.

M^c Robert Hall returned to the meeting.

RESOLUTION 2021-13-06
APPOINTMENT OF THE
VICE-CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

WHEREAS s. 1.4 of Division I of the Statutes of Bishop's University provides that the Vice-Chair of the Board of Governors "shall, upon the recommendation of the Nominating Committee, be elected from among the External Governors" to serve in such capacity for a one-year term;

AND WHEREAS the Nominating Committee has proposed that Junior Sirivar be appointed Vice-Chair of the Board for a one-year term, renewable;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Governors appoints Junior Sirivar as Vice-Chair of the Board of Governors for a one-year term to expire on July 1st 2023.

Moved by: Jane Brydges

Seconded by: Brian Levitt

Motion carried.

ITEM 12: INFORMATION RESOURCES COMMITTEE

The Chair of the Information Resources Committee Kent Carson reported that the Committee met on May 11, 2022 to discuss the 2022-23 ITS Budget, Government legislation updates, cybersecurity updates and ransomware attacks and recovery strategies.

Ms. Joanna Birenbaum joined the meeting at 3:51 p.m.

ITEM 8: AD HOC COMMITTEE ON THE PREVENTION OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE

The Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Prevention of Sexual Violence, Ms. Cathy McLean, reported that on May 16, 2022 an Expert Advisory Group session was held to discuss the The Canadian Centre for Legal Innovation in Sexual Assault Response (CCLISAR) Independent Review Panel recommendations. The Expert Advisory Group was composed of eight participants from the University and seven legal experts in the field of sexual violence from across Canada.

The CCLISAR Independent Review Panel was engaged by the University to review its policies, practices and procedures with regard to the prevention of sexual violence.

Ms. McLean invited the Chair of Independent Review Panel (IRP), M^c Joanna Birenbaum, to present the IRP's report.

M^c Birenbaum provided context to the review, explained the IRP's process and gave a brief overview of the IRP's main recommendations for Bishop's University:

- Improve communications with its community about how to seek the University's support resources when acts of sexual violence occur;
- Take additional steps to ensure that the Bishop's community better understands the steps to take when acts of sexual violence have been committed;
- Reduce the number of reporting methods and better distinguish the different implications associated with that of 'disclosure' and 'report', as well as the different consequences and outcomes that can be expected to follow in terms of accommodations, support and legal and judicial ramifications when disclosing or reporting acts of sexual.

Ms. McLean invited Dean of Student Affairs Stine Linden-Andersen to present the actions that the University has undertaken to implement the *2021-22 Education and Prevention of Sexual Violence Action Plan* which was presented to the Board on April 29, 2022.

Dr. Linden-Andersen said the University is in the process of hiring a second Sexual Aggression Response Coordinator (SARC) and that the Sexual Violence Prevention Centre had been moved to the space in the Student Centre where BU^{nited} is housed.

Principal Michael Goldbloom said that the University as an institution has the responsibility to make sure that we all understand how to respond to acts of sexual violence. He said that the University will continue to offer mandatory training for students, faculty and staff to ensure everyone understands how to support survivors and witnesses of acts of sexual violence.

Ms. McLean extended her gratitude to the members of the Ad Hoc Committee, CCLISAR's Independent Review Panel members, as well the participants in the Expert Advisory Group session. She also expressed appreciation to the Dean of Student Affairs for her professionalism and leadership in supporting the work of the Ad Hoc Committee and the IRP.

Chair Robert Hall thanked Ms. McLean for her leadership of the Ad Hoc Committee.

ITEM 13: AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR KWIGW8MNA

The Chair of the Ad hoc Committee for Kwigw8mna M^e Nadia Martel reported that the Ad Hoc Committee met to discuss the results of the tender process for the construction of Kwigw8mna.

On May 4, 2022, the University opened the only bid for the construction portion of the project. The price submitted was approximately twice the construction budget estimated by the professionals in February 2022.

The stakeholders met on June 7, 2022 to discuss the situation and made a unanimous recommendation to reject the construction bid. The University has advised the *Ministère de l'Enseignement supérieur* (MES) infrastructure team of the situation and it has expressed a commitment to work with the University to identify solutions.

Dr. Stine Linden-Anderson and Dr. Genner Llanes-Ortiz will co-lead the project as Project Director with Vicky Boldo as the Stakeholder representative replacing Dr. Trygve Ugland who is stepping down from these roles on June 30, 2022.

M^e Martel said that Ms. Suzie O'Bomsawin agreed to join the Ad Hoc Oversight Committee for Kwigw8mna.

Principal Michael Goldbloom said that the Kwigw8mna project remains of critical importance for Bishop's, and he advised the Board of Governors that, subject to consultation and agreement with the Kwigw8mna project's Steering Committee and the stakeholder group, he will not recommend going ahead with any other major new construction project until the construction of Kwigw8mna is underway.

ITEM 13A: MEMBERSHIP OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE FOR KWIGW8MNA

Principal Michael Goldbloom asked the Board to formalise the nomination of Ms. Suzie O'Bomsawin to the Ad hoc Oversight Committee for Kwigw8mna.

RESOLUTION 2021-13-07
APPOINTING AN EXTERNAL GOVERNOR
TO THE AD HOC OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE FOR KWIGW8MNA

WHEREAS the Ad hoc Oversight Committee for Kwigw8mna would benefit from the unique perspectives and support of Suzie O'Bomsawin;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Suzie O'Bomsawin be appointed to the Ad hoc Oversight Committee for Kwigw8mna effective immediately.

Moved by: Kent Carson
Seconded by: Heather McKeen-Edwards
Motion carried.

ITEM 14: COMPLIANCE WITH BUDGETARY RULE 5.11

Vice-Principal Finance and Administration Isabelle Goyette reported that the *Ministère de l'Enseignement supérieur* (MES) has retained a portion of the 2021-22 annual operating grant conditional to receiving by October 31st the necessary documentation under the section 5.11 of the budget rules revised by the University auditors.

RESOLUTION 2021-13-08
COMPLIANCE WITH THE BUDGETARY RULE 5.11 OF THE
BUDGET RULES AND OPERATING GRANT CALCULATION FOR UNIVERSITIES IN QUEBEC
(*RÈGLES BUDGÉTAIRES ET CALCUL DES SUBVENTIONS DE FONCTIONNEMENT AUX
UNIVERSITÉS DU QUÉBEC*)

WHEREAS the University is subject to budgetary rule 5.11 of the *Règles budgétaires et calcul des subventions de fonctionnement aux universités du Québec*;

WHEREAS the *Ministère de l'Enseignement supérieur* (MES) requests that the Board of Governors send a letter by October 31, 2022 in which it certifies compliance with the conditions governing the remuneration of senior management personnel provided for in the budgetary rule 5.11 for the academic year 2021-2022;

WHEREAS this letter must be accompanied by the information and documents required for the application of the budgetary rule 5.11 according to the methods and deadlines indicated by the MES;

AND WHEREAS the information transmitted by the University is subject to a review carried out by an independent auditor chosen by the MES and that the independent auditor must send his report to the MES no later than October 31, 2022 according to the terms and deadlines indicated by the MES;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Governors confirms that the University will send to the MES by October 31, 2022, the documents required to comply with budgetary rule 5.11.

Moved by: Michel Marleau

Seconded by: Cathy McLean

Motion carried.

ITEM 15: STUDENTS' REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL PRESIDENT REPORT

Students' Representative Council (SRC) President Camilla Rizzi said she was pleased to announce that the 2022-23 SRC includes representatives of several equity seeking and diversity groups.

Ms. Rizzi reported that June is Indigenous Peoples Month. The SRC, in collaboration with the Odanak community, the Indigenous Cultural Alliance, and the Indigenous Student Support Centre have planned activities to work towards reconciliACTION.

Ms. Rizzi reported that the SRC plans to create banners highlighting the University's values. The banners will be attached to lamp posts around campus where all members of the University community and guests will see them.

A new Pride crosswalk connecting the Munster and Paterson residences will be inaugurated on June 28th and will be followed by a Pride march around campus.

Chair Robert Hall thanked Vice-Principal Miles Turnbull and Secretary General and Vice-Principal Planning and Government Relations Trygve Ugland for their hard work and wished them well in their future endeavours.

The open session ended at 5:20 p.m.

The meeting ended at 5:37 p.m.



Robert Hall, Chair



Denise Lauzière, Interim Secretary General