

MINUTES Board Meeting Wednesday, 19 August 2009 Surrey Campus Board Room

Present Board

Scott Nicoll/Chair

David Atkinson / President

Rebecca Darnell Sandra Hoffman Derek Robertson Gord Schoberg

Andrew Taylor-Eddy

Amrik Virk

Newton Wainman

University Vice Presidents

Rob Fleming/AVP, Academic

Deborah Harkin/Human Resource Services Gordon Lee/Finance & Administration

University Community Members

Ariana Arguello/Board Member Elect

Christine Brodie/Chair, Kwantlen Foundation

Bob Davis/KFA

Jody Gordon/AVP Student Services & Registrar

Sandi Klassen /University Secretary Vivian Lee/Director, Budgeting Kathy Lylyk/Exec. Dir., Finance

Elizabeth Merritt /University Secretariat Jeff Norris/Exec. Dir, Kwantlen Foundation

Regrets Arvinder Bubber / Chancellor

Shane King Kim Richter

Kim Richter

Call to Order The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and welcomed guests.

Approval of Agenda Moved by Amrik Virk; seconded by Derek Robertson:

THAT the agenda is approved as amended.

MOTION CARRIED

Agenda Amendments

- Item 6 (a), Kwantlen Foundation Recommendations, was moved to Item 4.
- Item 6 (f), Board role at Convocation, was added to the agenda
- Item 6 (g), Board Meeting Schedule, was added to the agenda

Consent Agenda Moved by Gord Schoberg; seconded by Andrew Taylor -Eddy:

THAT the Board of Governors approves the Consent Agenda.

MOTION CARRIED

Items approved under the Consent Agenda:

a. Minutes 27 May 2009 and 17 June 2009

Kwantlen Foundation Recommendations Christine Brodie, Chair of the Kwantlen Foundation Board (KFB) and Jeff Norris, Executive Director of the Kwantlen Foundation, provided background regarding the rationale and the process used to develop the Foundation's recommendations that were approved by KFB on June 23, 2009. The External Relations Committee will provide feedback on the recommendations to the KFB by the end of September.

Assurance of Successful President Performance

Policy 3.6, Asset Protection

After thorough discussion the Board made the following motion.

Moved by Newton Wainman; seconded by Derek Robertson:
THAT the President is in compliance with Policy 3.6, Asset Protection
MOTION CARRIED

Senate Report

David Atkinson outlined the Senate Report to the Board of Governors.

- Kwantlen is currently undergoing a University Policy Review.
- A new degree, B.Sc. in Applied Psychology, is waiting for ministerial approval.
- Senate has approved a transfer agreement between Kwantlen and the International University of Nursing in St. Kitts Eastern Caribbean allowing block transfer into the fourth year of the B.Sc. in Nursing.

Policy Development

Board Committee Structure

Moved by Newton Wainman; seconded by Amrik Virk: THAT the Board of Governors approves the following Board committee structure:

MOTION CARRIED

Assets Committee Chair / Rebecca Darnell

Vice Chair / Shane King

Human Resources Chair / Amrik Virk

Vice Chair / Gord Schoberg

External Relations Chair / Gord Schoberg

Vice Chair / Rebecca Darnell

Student Experience Chair / tba

Vice Chair / Amrik Virk

Fundraising Chair / Rebecca Darnell

Vice Chair / tba

Finance & Audit Chair / Shane King

Vice Chair / tba

Governance Co-chairs / Arvinder Bubber & Scott Nicoll

Co-Vice Chairs/ Arvinder Bubber & Scott Nicoll

Policy Development Revision to Policy 1.0, Global Governance Commitment

Moved by Sandra Hoffman; seconded by Andrew Taylor-Eddy: THAT the Board of Governors approves revisions to Policy 1.0, *Global Governance Commitment*, changing "on behalf of the People of British Columbia" to "on behalf of the Government of British Columbia and the residents of the Kwantlen region".

Motion amended by David Atkinson; seconded by Derek Robertson: THAT the wording "see to it" is changed to "ensure".

MOTION CARRIED

IPGA Conference Reports

Written reports on the International Policy Governance Association conference were submitted by the conference attendees.

Ends Policy Revisions

The Global Ends Statement was developed at the Board retreat in June 2009. In Kim Richter's absence, Scott Nicoll read her response opposing the motion which is appended to the minutes for information.

Moved by Andrew Taylor-Eddy; seconded by Amrik Virk: THAT the Board of Governors approves the use of the draft Ends statements by the President as part of the feedback to the draft mission and mandate.

MOTION CARRIED

Board of Governors Role at Convocation

The Board discussed its role at Convocation, a Senate event. There is a positive role for the Board to play at Convocation in terms of community linkage and feedback.

Board Meeting Schedule

The board discussed the possibility of having the same number of meetings annually without meeting in July and August.

Moved by Derek Robertson; seconded by Amrik Virk: THAT the University Secretary drafts a new Board meeting schedule for Board consideration.

MOTION CARRIED

Board Self Assessment Policy 1.1, Core Values

Moved by Andrew Taylor -Eddy; seconded by Derek Robertson: THAT the Board of Governors is in compliance with Policy 1.1, *Core Values*.

MOTION CARRIED

Policy 1.2, Governing Style & Values

Moved by Derek Robertson; seconded by Andrew Taylor -Eddy: THAT the Board of Governors is in compliance with Policy 1.2, *Governing Style & Values*.

MOTION CARRIED

Policy revision to ensure compliance with the University Act will be presented at the next Board meeting.

Policy 1.3, Board Job Products

Moved by Rebecca Darnell; seconded by Derek Robertson: THAT the Board of Governors is in compliance with Policy 1.3, *Board Job Products*.

MOTION CARRIED

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Policy 1.4, Agenda Planning and Board Meeting Conduct

Moved by Rebecca Darnell; seconded by Sandra Hoffman: THAT the Board of Governors is in compliance with Policy 1.4, *Agenda Planning and Board Meeting Conduct*.

MOTION CARRIED

Policy revision to ensure compliance with the University Act will be presented at the next Board meeting.

Policy 1.5, Board Members' Code of Conduct

Moved by Derek Robertson; seconded by Rebecca Darnell: THAT the Board of Governors is in compliance with Policy 1.5, *Board Members' Code of Conduct*.

MOTION CARRIED

The Board monitored the following policies:

- 1.7, Board Committee Principles
- 1.8, Board Committee Structure and Outside Appointments
- 1.9, Board Relationship with Senate and the Kwantlen Foundation
- 1.10, Cost of Governance

Next Meeting
Agenda
Contribution

The next meeting will be at the Richmond Campus. Board Members will forward agenda items to the University Secretary.

For the Good of the Order

Scott Nicoll, on behalf of the Board, thanked Sandra Hoffman for her valuable input and contributions to Kwantlen and the Board.

Evaluation of the Board as a Group

Amrik Virk evaluated the Board meeting mentioning that the Board attempted to keep the discussion at a strategic level and focused on the future.

Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

BOARD CHAIR	

Kim Richter's Remarks on Ends Policy Revision

"As discussed, I cannot support the proposed Board Ends because I believe the wording around research is too broad and as a result may lead the institution in a direction which ultimately results in Kwantlen being a pale and/or second rate imitation of a traditional, long term established university rather than the unique and viable organization which Kwantlen already is.

Once the Ends are adopted, then in accordance with the Carver Model of Policy Governance, the Board must accept any reasonable interpretation of those Ends by the administration. In my opinion, there are not enough executive limitations on this particular end.

Kwantlen can be so much more and so much better than a traditional university 'want-to-be'. We can meet community needs that should be filled but if we are too focused on traditional research models, I fear we will either miss or ignore vital opportunities to become a truly unique new type of university. As it stands right now, I believe that there are no real executive limitations to prevent us from focusing on anything but the traditional university research models. In my opinion, Kwantlen University should always be a leader in new innovative models, not a follower of traditional models."

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