

## BOARD OF GOVERNORS - REGULAR MEETING

**Minutes of Regular Meeting**

**Wednesday, March 27, 2024**

**4:00 p.m. – 5:34 p.m.**

**MS Teams**

**Present: Board**

Rhiannon Bennett, Vice-Chair  
Ivy Chen, Chair  
Alan Davis, President & Vice-Chancellor  
Amos Kambere  
Ishant Goyal  
Muhammad Afzal Malik  
Takashi Sato  
Amanda Smith-Weston  
Waheed Taiwo

**University G8 members**

Laurie Clancy, Vice-President, Human Resources  
Chervahun Emilien, Chief Financial Officer  
Zena Mitchell, Vice-President, Students  
Diane Purvey, Provost & Vice-President, Academic  
Asma Sayed, Interim Vice-President, Equity & Inclusive Communities  
Peter Smailes, Vice-President, Administration

**Presenters and Administrative Resources**

Carroll Boydell, Criminology Instructor  
Lily Chong, University Secretary & Executive Assistant to the President & Vice Chancellor  
David Connop Price, Director, Communications and Media Relations  
Lori McElroy, Associate Vice-President, Planning and Accountability

**Regrets:** Kim (Kwuntiltunaat) Baird, Chancellor  
Michael Chang  
Paul Choi  
Aryan Kalia  
Lyndsay Passmore  
Rod Ross

Sonia Banwait, Executive Assistant to the Board of Governors

**1. Call to Order and  
Introductory Remarks**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:01pm.

The Chair acknowledged KPU's commitment to reconciliation and recognition that we live, work and study in a region that overlaps with the unceded traditional and ancestral First Nations territories of the Musqueam, Katzie, Semiahmoo, Tsawwassen, Qayqayt, and Kwikwetlem, and with the lands of the Kwantlen First Nation, which gifted its name to this university.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

**MOTION #22-23/24**

**MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED THAT the Board of Governors approve the regular meeting agenda for March 27, 2024.**

**3. Conflict of Interest**

No other conflict of Interest was declared.

**4. Approval of Consent Agenda**

Takashi Sato, Faculty Board Member, requested that item 4.2 of the consent agenda be removed from the consent agenda and added to the regular Board agenda (as item #5) for discussion and approval from the Board to allow for an appropriate tribute to an ending program. As such, item 4.3 KSA Annual Fee Change Letter 2024-25 will become item 4.2.

Takashi Sato also requested an amendment to their title on item #4 of the January minutes to be revised to faculty board member, not community board member.

**MOTION #23-23/24**

**MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED the amended motion THAT Board of Governors approve the following item on the Consent Agenda as amended:**

**4.1. Minutes of the January 31, 2024 Regular Board of Governors Meeting.**

**AND**

**THAT the Board of Governors receive the following item for information:**

**4.2. KSA Annual Fee Change Letter 2024-25 Academic Year**

**5. Program Discontinuances:  
Bachelor of Arts, Major in  
Community Criminal Justice  
(BACCJ) AND Bachelor of Arts  
(Honors), Major in  
Community Criminal Justice,  
effective September 1, 2024.**

Takashi Sato paid tribute to this program by highlighting its creation dating back to 1983. The criminology department was a pioneer for an applied degree and it paved the way for KPU's first wave of degrees.

Carroll Boydell, Criminology Instructor, informed there has been no student intake to the program since 2017 and reopening them will require substantial revisions to the program. After much discussion, the Criminology Department voted to discontinue the degree program in May 2022.

Carroll Boydell mentioned that this is a sad farewell to this program. The Bachelor of Arts in Criminology has proven to be more recognizable and attractive to students. We have retained all the courses and practicums from the BACCJ, as such, the discontinuation will not impact students and staff.

**MOTION #24-23/24**

**MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED THAT the Board of Governors approve the discontinuation of the Bachelor of Arts, Major in Community Criminal Justice (BACCJ) and the Bachelor of Arts (Honors), Major in Community Criminal Justice, effective September 1, 2024. CARRIED.**

**6. Governance Committee Report**

**6.1. Committee Chair Report**

Amos Kambere, Committee Chair, informed the committee met on March 13, 2024 and noted the items discussed at the meeting are on the agenda.

**6.2. Proposed Performance Metrics for VISION 2026**

Lori McElroy, Associate Vice-President, Planning & Accountability informed that VISION 2026 has five themes and each theme has three goals, with each goal having at least one metric. McElroy provided a brief background on each of the 15 goals spread over five themes and its metrics for the committee.

These metrics allow us to track self-identify attributes and if individuals feel satisfied with the KPU community. Metrics will also include data around unemployment rates, satisfaction rates of education from KPU, and their retrospective experiences.

**MOTION #25-23/24**

**MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED THAT the Board of Governors approve the metrics for reporting on the progress of VISION 2026, as recommended by the Board Governance Committee. CARRIED.**

**7. Human Resources Committee Report**

**7.1. Committee Chair Report**

No report – March meeting was cancelled.

**8. Audit Committee Report**

**8.1. Committee Chair Report**

Ivy Chen, Committee Chair, informed that the committee met on March 12, 2024 and there was nothing to report.

**9. Finance Committee Report**

**9.1. Committee Chair Report**

Ivy Chen, Committee Chair, informed that the committee met on March 12, 2024 and there was nothing to report.

## **10. President's Report**

### **10.1. Report to the Board**

Alan Davis, President, shared his report and highlighted item #16.1 Report to the Board of Governors, which includes a brief description of all the activities took place in the 2023-2024 academic year. The President expressed appreciation to the KPU Community's contributions to the report.

The President shared an update regarding international student enrollment following the recent 6-week stall on visa applications due to the implementation of new regulations by Immigration, Refugees, and Citizenship Canada (IRCC).

IRCC is still looking to obtain an external process. KPU's allocation of attestation letters is pretty healthy, and staff work is in converting these allocations to visas for students to come to KPU.

These challenges have not stopped the University from going full cylinders. The President highlighted the recent Anti-Racism Symposium that brought forward great discussions within the community and congratulated to all who worked on this, specifically, Asma Sayed, Interim Vice President, Office of Equity and Inclusive Communities.

## **11. Provost's Report**

### **11.1. Report to the Board**

Diane Purvey, presented the Provost report.

We were actively working on the international education enrollment. Big thanks to Lori McElroy and the Deans who worked hard to make this work. Originally expecting a 45% decrease, it only ended up being 10%.

The Provost and Vice-Chair, Academic, highlighted the recent research showcase featuring faculty and student research and acknowledged the talent and work of the staff.

President Davis will continue to share regular communication via the University Communicator which have been received well.

## **12. Senate Reports**

Senate reports from February 20, 2024 and March 18, 2024 were included in the meeting package.

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| <b>13. Next Meeting Agenda Contribution</b> | Board members were asked to send contributions for the next meeting agenda to the Board Office at least two weeks in advance of the meeting.                       |
| <b>14. For the Good of the Order</b>        | There were no additional items identified.   |
| <b>15. Feedback on the Meeting</b>          | There was no other feedback on the meeting.  |
| <b>16. Closing Remarks</b>                  | The Chair thanked everyone, including Board Members for attending and contributing to the discussions. The Chair also thanked the guests who attended the meeting. |
| <b>17. Next Meeting</b>                     | The next meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, May 22, 2024.   |
| <b>18. Adjournment</b>                      | The meeting adjourned at 4:29pm.   |

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**Board Chair**