

BOARD OF GOVERNORS - REGULAR MEETING

Minutes of Regular Meeting

Wednesday, May 22, 2024

4:00 p.m. – 4:29 p.m.

MS Teams

Present: Board

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

University G8 members

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

Presenters and Administrative Resources

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

Sonia Banwait
Aryan Kalia
Michael Chang
Paul Choi
Muhammad Afzal Malik
Lyndsay Passmore
Rod Ross

**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 #35-23/24

MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED THAT the Board of Governors approve the regular meeting agenda for May 22, 2024.

3. Conflict of Interest

No other conflict of Interest was declared.

4. Approval of Consent Agenda

MOTION #36-23/24

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

4.1. Minutes of the March 27, 2024 Regular Board of Governors Meeting.

5. Governance Committee Report

5.1. 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.

5.2. *AC10 Development and Change of Senate-Approved Programs*

David Burns, Associate Vice-President, Academic, presented Policy AC10 and informed that with the recent approval of the omnibus approach to revise existing Policies and Procedures to accommodate and develop the Faculty of Graduate Studies, this policy requires a change to include clarification that programs at the master's level will proceed to the Faculty of Graduate Studies' Council to ensure that appropriate governance structure for master level program development.

David Burns informed the policy has been recommended by Senate and the Board Governance Committee and is now coming forward to the Board, the approving jurisdiction, for final approval.

MOTION #37-23/24

MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED THAT the Board of Governors approve AC10 Development and Change of Senate-Approved Programs, effective September 1, 2024, as recommended by the Board Governance Committee.

5.3. *AC13 Minimum Qualifications for Faculty Members*

David Burns explained the change to this policy includes clarification that faculty members in their respective departments will determine and recommend the minimum faculty qualifications required to the Dean of Faculty of Graduate Studies (FoGS), for master's programs.

Burns noted this policy has also been recommended by Senate and Board of Governance Committee, and is now coming to the Board for final approval.

MOTION #38-23/24

MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED THAT the Board of Governors approve AC13 Minimum Qualifications for Faculty Members, effective September 1, 2024, as recommended by the Board Governance Committee.

5.4. Faculty of Graduate Studies – Final Approval

David Burns provided a brief summary of the Faculty of Graduate Studies proposal included in the agenda package and shared the context on the history of developing the program.

Burns noted there has been growing demand for graduate-level programs as KPU is targeting the demographic consisting of students with a higher age average who may potentially hold credentials and are looking to enroll into graduate programs.

MOTION #39-23/24

MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED THAT the Board of Governors approve the establishment of the Faculty of Graduate Studies at KPU, effective September 1, 2024.

6. Human Resources Committee Report

6.1. Committee Chair Report

No report – March meeting was postponed.

7. Audit Committee Report

7.1. Committee Chair Report

Ivy Chen, Committee Chair, informed that the committee met on May 14, 2024 and there was nothing to report.

8. Finance Committee Report

8.1. Committee Chair Report

Ivy Chen, Committee Chair, informed that the committee met on May 14, 2024 and there was nothing to report.

9. President's Report

9.1. Report to the Board

Alan Davis, President, shared that a fulsome report is being assembled that will include a draft of the Accountability Report and a report of the activities taking place around the University, coming forward at the June meeting.

10. Provost's Report

10.1. Report to the Board

Diane Purvey, presented the Provost report and shared KPU has been participating and presenting in several conferences this Spring.

Purvey shared that KPU received a silver prize in the Excellence in Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) category of the 2024 Awards of Excellence, presented by Colleges Institutes Canada (CICan).

11. University Secretary's Report – Board of Governors Chair and Vice-Chair Elections

Lily Chong, University Secretary, provided a notice of Board Chair and Vice-Chair election, noting elections will be held at the next meeting in June.

The University Secretary advised that in order to be eligible for election, the Board Chair and Vice-Chair must be Appointed Members of the Board.

Interested members were encouraged to submit their names to the Board Office. Board members wishing to nominate others were reminded to inform the person they wish to nominate prior to sending their name to the Board Office for consideration.

12. Senate Reports

Senate reports from April 22, 2024 was included in the meeting package.

13. Next Meeting Agenda Contribution

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.

14. For the Good of the Order

There were no additional items identified.

15. Feedback on the Meeting

There was no other feedback on the meeting.

16. Closing Remarks

The Chair thanked everyone, including Board Members for attending and contributing to the discussions. The Chair also thanked the guests who attended the meeting.

17. Next Meeting

The next meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, June 26, 2024 and is in-person at the Surrey Campus in Surrey Cedar 2110.

18. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:29pm.

Board Chair