

BOARD OF GOVERNORS - REGULAR MEETING

Minutes of Regular Meeting

Wednesday, October 1, 2025

5:01 p.m. – 5:58 p.m.

Surrey Cedar 2110

Present: Board

Kim (Kwuntlunaat) Baird, Chancellor
Erin Barnes, Chair
Bruce Choy, President & Vice-Chancellor
Dianne Doyle
Furquan Gehlen
Gabby Gill
Kim McGill
Stephanie Smith
Amanda Smith-Weston

University G7 members

Laurie Clancy, Vice-President, Human Resources
Randall Heidt, Vice-President, External Relations
Zena Mitchell, Vice-President, Students
Asma Sayed, Vice-President, Equity & Inclusive Communities
Peter Smailes, Vice-President, Finance and Administration

Presenters and Administrative Resources

Sonia Banwait, Executive Assistant, Board of Governors
David Burns, Associate Vice-President, Academic and Acting Provost
Carole Laplante, Associate Vice-President, Financial Services
Jennifer Duprey, General Counsel
Lori McElroy, Associate Vice-President, Planning and Accountability
Keri Spindler, University Secretary & Executive Assistant to the President & Vice Chancellor

Regrets:

Anirudh Agnihotri
Karanbir Boparai
June Park
Lyndsay Passmore
Diane Purvey, Provost

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

The Vice-Chair called the meeting to order at 5:01pm.

The Vice-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.

1.1. Welcome by KPU Elder in Residence

The Vice-Chair welcomed Lekeyten, KPU Elder in Resident, for his welcome to the shared traditional territories.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOTION #01-25/26

MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED THAT the Board of Governors approve the regular meeting agenda for October 1, 2025.

3. Conflict of Interest

No other Conflict of Interest was declared.

4. Approval of Consent Agenda

MOTION #02-25/26

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

4.1. Minutes of the June 25, 2025 Regular Board of Governors Meeting.

4.2. Policy & Procedure AC15 Digital Credentials

4.3. Update to GV4 – Signing Authority Policy, Procedures and Schedules

5. Governance Committee Report

5.1. Committee Chair Report

Erin Barnes, Committee Chair, informed the committee met on September 17, 2025 and noted the items are on the agenda.

5.2. Accountability Plan & Report 2024/25

Lori McElroy, Associate Vice-President, Planning & Accountability, shared the Accountability Plan Report for 2024/25 was brought forward as a draft to the Board in June 2025 and was reviewed by the Ministry in the summer and no additional feedback was provided. The purpose of the report is to ensure that post secondary institutions are accountable to the government and vice versa. This final report fulfills the requirements of the Ministry of Post-Secondary Education and Future Skills Accountability framework.

Meredith Haaf, Director, Planning and Accountability, informed there are 5 key goals aligned with VISION 2026 and noted the performance measures set by the Ministry as well as measures set by the University and provided a brief description of each goal.

MOTION #03-25/26

MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED the motion THAT Board of Governors approve the 2024/25 Accountability Plan & Report for submission to the Ministry of Post-Secondary Education and Future Skills, as recommended by the Board Governance Committee.

6. Human Resources Committee Report

6.1. Committee Chair Report

Stephanie Smith, Committee Chair, informed the committee met on September 18, 2025 and there is nothing to report.

7. Audit Committee Report

7.1. Committee Chair Report

Gabby Gill, Committee Chair, informed that the committee met on September 16, 2025 and there is nothing to report.

8. Finance Committee Report

8.1. Committee Chair Report

Gabby Gill, Committee Chair, informed that the committee met on September 16, 2025 and items are on the agenda.

**8.2. Executive Statement of Financial Information (SOFI)
Public Bodies Report as at March 31, 2025**

Peter Smailes, Vice-President, Finance and Administration, presented the Executive Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) Public Bodies Report as of March 31, 2025, and as required by the Ministry of Finance in accordance with the Financial Information Act. The report includes audited financial statements that have been presented previously by external auditors and management and approved by the Board. The report also includes unaudited financial information that has been prepared by the finance and payroll teams.

MOTION #04-25/26

MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED the motion THAT Board of Governors approve the Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) Public Bodies Report as at March 31, 2025 for submission to the Ministry of Post-Secondary Education and Future Skills, as recommended by the Board Finance Committee.

9. President's Report

9.1. Report to the Board

The President's report was circulated in the agenda package and summarized in the meeting.

10. Provost's Report

10.1. Report to the Board

David Burns, Associate Vice-President, Academic, on behalf of the Provost Diane Purvey, provided a brief report highlighting academic accomplishments in each faculty led by their respective Dean.

11. Senate Reports

Senate report from June 23, 2025 was included in the meeting package.

11.1. Senate Meeting Dates 2025/26

The Vice-Chair shared the Senate meeting dates for 2025/26 and encouraged Board members to reach out to the Board Office to attend an upcoming Senate meeting.

12. Any Other Business

The Vice-Chair informed Joe Vosburgh, Elected Faculty Board Member, has resigned from the Board. The Vice-Chair thanked Vosburgh for his service and time on the Board.

Kim McGill, Support Staff Board Member and Manager, Community Engagement shared KPU Open House takes place on Saturday, October 4th at 2:00pm and welcomed Board members to attend.

13. Closing Remarks & Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:58pm.

Next Meeting

The next meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, November 26, 2025 via MS Teams.

Board Chair