

**Board of Governors  
Minutes of an In Camera Meeting  
held on Thursday, September 24, 2020  
beginning at 5:50 p.m. in the Board Room  
and via Zoom Teleconferencing**

**CONFIDENTIALITY LIFTED  
by the Langara College Board  
at an In-Camera Board Meeting  
held November 26, 2020**

**Present:** Mary Lynn Baum  
Darren Bernaerdt  
Krisha Dhaliwal  
Janelle Dwyer  
Andy Dhillon, Second Vice Chair  
Michal Jaworski, First Vice Chair  
Raza Mirani  
Scott Murray  
Rose Palozzi  
Savita Rani  
Cole Rheaume  
Melissa Roberts  
Lane Trotter, President

**Regrets:** Ian Mass, Board Chair

**Employee Resources:** Jody Gordon, Associate Vice President, Students  
Margaret Heldman, Acting Vice-President, Academic  
Jane Mason, Vice-President, People and Culture  
Viktor Sokha, Vice-President, Administration and Finance  
Yusuf Varachia, Vice-President, External Development

**Guest:** Alex Usher, CEO, Higher Education Strategy

**Recorder:** Diana Falcon, Executive Assistant to the Board of Governors

Prior to the start of the meeting, it was noted that First Vice-Chair, Michal Jaworski, would Chair the meeting in the absence of the Board Chair.

**1. MUSQUEAM LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

M. Jaworski delivered the following acknowledgement that Langara College is located on the land of the Musqueam peoples:

*I would like to acknowledge the unceded territory of the hə əmi ɬə ɬ (hun ka mi num) speaking xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam), on which Langara College is located.*

**2. CALL TO ORDER**

M. Jaworski asked Board Members if there were any objections to Alex Usher, CEO, Higher Education Strategy attending to make a presentation on Item 5. Strategic Discussion. With no objections, M. Jaworski called the meeting to order at 5:50 p.m.

**3. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

In accordance with *Board By-Law 200: Code of Conduct and Conflict of Interest*, Board Members were provided an opportunity to declare conflicts of interest for any agenda item that would relate to the ongoing business of the institution. With none declared, the meeting proceeded.

#### **4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA/CONSENT AGENDA**

M. Jaworski asked if there were any items that needed to be removed from the consent agenda for further discussion. There were no items.

It was moved by A. Dhillon and seconded by R. Palozzi

**THAT, the Board approve the agenda and the items on the consent agenda.**

**Carried Unanimously**

##### **4.1 Chair's Report – Acknowledged**

#### **5. STRATEGIC DISCUSSION**

##### **5.1 Presentation from Alex Usher, CEO, Higher Education Strategy**

L. Trotter welcomed Alex Usher, CEO, Higher Education Strategy who was in attendance to make a presentation on post-secondary education in Canada: pre- and post-COVID. L. Trotter noted that A. Usher is an expert on higher education and trends, is a sought-after speaker, provides advice and support to countries around the world, and provided an update to the Board in September 2019. A. Usher made a presentation to the Board noting that it will be interesting in a year from now to have institutions do a COVID post-mortem and determine what lessons were learned.

Discussion ensued and Board Members questions were answered.

The Board thanked Alex Usher for his very informative presentation with a round of applause.

[It was noted that A. Usher left the meeting at 6:47 p.m.]

#### **6. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD JUNE 25, 2020**

It was moved by M. Roberts and seconded by K. Dhaliwal

**THAT, the Minutes of the In-Camera meeting held June 25, 2020, be approved.**

**Carried Unanimously.**

#### **7. COMMITTEE REPORTS/APPROVALS**

##### **7.1 Audit and Finance Committee**

###### **7.1.1 Draft Minutes of Meeting held September 10, 2020**

A. Dhillon highlighted the draft minutes of the AFC meeting held September 10, 2020, attached to the agenda for information. He noted that the minutes contain the items that were redacted in the public session.

##### **7.2 Governance and Nominating Committee**

###### **7.2.1 Summary Report of Meeting held September 17, 2020**

J. Dwyer noted that the summary report of the GNC meeting held September 17, 2020, was attached to the agenda for information.

### **7.2.2 Approval of Review of Stakeholder Board Assessment Tool (SBAT) dated May 2020**

J. Dwyer advised that every second year the Board performs a stakeholder board assessment, which is due again in 2021. The GNC requested Nic Tsangarakis from Kwela look at the method and advise if there was room for improvement. His recommendations were included in the report. The GNC reviewed the report from Kwela (attached to the agenda) on the Stakeholder Board Assessment Tool (SBAT) to consider that the methodology, report format, etc., was working. The report focused on how to increase responses and if we are asking enough people to participate. The GNC noted that it was pleased with the report and answered Board members questions.

It was moved by R. Mirani and seconded by R. Palozzi

**THAT, the Kwela report titled “Review of the Langara Board Stakeholder Assessment Tool (SBAT), dated May 2020” be approved.**

**Carried Unanimously**

### **8. LIFTING OF CONFIDENTIALITY**

It was moved by J. Dwyer and seconded by A. Dhillon

**THAT, Confidentiality be lifted on the In-Camera Minutes of the meeting held June 25, 2020, except where it relates to ERP, Risk, COVID, and the Strategic Plan.**

**Carried Unanimously.**

### **9. NEXT MEETING - THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2020**

It was noted that the next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 26, 2020.

### **10. CONCLUSION**

With no further discussion, the meeting concluded at 7:00 p.m.