



## BOARD OF GOVERNORS – REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

Thursday, April 20, 2017, 1:00 pm

Emily Carr University, Boardroom (210)

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### ATTENDANCE:

#### Voting Members:

Kim Peacock, Chair

Shauna Bryan, Vice Chair

Geoff Plant, Chancellor, Director-at-large

Ron Burnett

Bill Cunningham

Gaye Fowler

Scott Hawthorn

Randy Lee Cutler

Lucille Pacey

Alex Phillips

Zdenka Buric

Joey Cheung

Joakim Zatko

#### Non-Voting Members

Bonne Zabolotney, VP, Academic + Provost

Michael Clifford, VP, Finance + Administration

Jennifer DeDominicis, VP, Enrolment + Student Services/Registrar

Regrets: Jo Delesalle, Lynda Brown-Ganzert

Guests: David Wotherspoon, Adrian Tees, Nick Conbere, Rita Wong, Alex Hass

Haig Armen, Chelsea Yuill, Sarah Jo, Amy Kheong, Alia Ebayed, Justine Gabias

Keith Doyle, Lori, MacDonald, Philippa Mennell

Support: Carina Clark, EA to the President + Board Secretary

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### I. ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

1. Call to Order – Kim Peacock, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:05 pm.

2. Approval of Previous Minutes: March 16, 2017. A Board member pointed out a few corrections to the minutes under **III. Presentation, Sexual & Gender-based violence and misconduct policy**.  
Paragraph 5 addition: One Board member suggested the term survivor/victim to be replaced with the term “reporting individual”. Another Board member suggested that SFU’s policy be copied in this instance where the term survivor/victim is used until a report is made, at which point the person is referred to as the complainant.

Paragraph 7 correction: “There was a discussion regarding the definition of Sexual violence as including “degrading sexual imagery”. A Board member expressed concern that this was vague, over-arching term would make the teaching of art history and studio art extremely difficult, since both areas contain many examples of historical and contemporary artworks that could arguably fall into this category. There was a concern about the impact of this term on academic freedom, and the need for greater clarity with respect to freedom to create or refer to artworks that may express controversial subject matter...”

Paragraph 7 addition: Citing the problems encountered by UBC in which complaints took sixteen months to

receive a response, a Board member inquired about the lack of timelines in the draft policy. Jennifer DeDominicis responded that the taskforce sought to seek the timelines given the contingent nature of the reporting process. A Board member inquired about the undefined nature of the internal investigation process, referred to in both the draft policy and procedures. Jennifer DeDominicis agreed that further work was required to develop language around the investigation process.

**Moved / Seconded to approve the updated March 16, 2017 Minutes. Carried**

3. Adoption of Agenda

**Moved / Seconded to approve the Agenda. Carried**

## II. BUSINESS / DECISIONS

1. Finance + Audit Committee Report Kim Peacock and Michael Clifford reported that the budget, which is usually presented to Senate and the Board in April, is delayed this year due to ongoing budget negotiations with the Ministry. An interim budget for four months ended July 31, 2017 incorporating Ministry of Advanced Education grant funding of approximately \$13.2 million allocation will be prepared by the financial department. There was a discussion.

**Moved / Seconded that management be instructed to 1) prepare an interim budget for the four months ended July 31, 2017, incorporating Ministry of Advanced Education grant funding of approximately \$13.2 M, as outlined in the Ministry allocation letter dated April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017 and 2) continue negotiations with the Ministry of Advanced Education with respect to the 2017/18 Operating Budget increase request of approximately \$4.3 M, as outlined in the Ministry letter dated April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Carried**

2. Review the Sexual & Gender-Based Violence and Misconduct Policy + Procedures. Jennifer DeDominicis reported that she has received recent legal counsel and circulated edited versions of the draft Sexual & Gender-Based Violence and Misconduct Policy, and Procedures for Students and Procedures for Employees and Non-students. The Board Chair declared that the discussion would be In Camera, and asked guests to leave the meeting. Jennifer DeDominicis and representatives from the Taskforce were asked to stay.

*Bonne Zabolotney, Michael Clifford, Rita Wong, Haig Armen, Alex Hass, Nick Conbere left the meeting.*

The discussion regarding the edited Sexual & Gender-Based Violence and Misconduct Policy + Procedures continued. Jennifer DeDominicis pointed out the edited parts of the policy and procedures. There was a discussion. The Board Chair declared that the rest of the discussion would be completely In Camera. *Jennifer DeDominicis, Keith Doyle, Sara Jo, Chelsea Yuill, Amy Kheong, Alia Ebayed, Justine Gabias, Lori MacDonald left the meeting.*

## III. PRESENTATIONS

1. Faculty Association Presentation – deferred due to time limitations.

2. Draft Strategic Plan 2021 Presentation – deferred due to time limitations.

## IV. REPORTS

1. Chair's report – Kim Peacock deferred her report due to time limitations.

2. President's + Vice Chancellor's report – Ron Burnett deferred his report due to time limitations.
3. Vice President, Academic + Provost's Report – there was no report.
4. VP, Enrolment + Student Services / Registrar's report – there was no report.
5. Governance report – there was no report.

V. **OTHER BUSINESS** – there was no further business.

VI. **INFORMATION** – Kim Peacock referred to the list of approved Faculty Sabbatical recipients for 2017/2018. The recipients were approved at the Board In Camera meeting on November 9, 2016. An email announcement to the ECU community was emailed from the President on November 21;

Faculty Sabbatical recipients:

Cameron Cartiere, 6 months, commencing January 2018

Lucie Chan, 12 months, commencing July 2017

Nick Conbere, 6 months, commencing July 2017

Trish Kelly, 6 months, commencing January 2018

Henry Tsang, 6 months, commencing July 2017

Rita Wong, 6 months, commencing January 2018

Education Leave recipient:

Louise St. Pierre, 6 months, commencing July 2017

VII. **UPCOMING BOARD EVENTS + MEETING;**

Thursday, May 4: Chancellor's Reception + Preview Night

Friday, May 5: Graduation Day VIP Brunch, Graduation Ceremony and Degree Exhibition opening

Thursday, May 18: Board meeting

VIII. **ADJOURNMENT** – the meeting adjourned at 2:19 pm.