



# BOARD OF GOVERNORS

February 15, 2018 Meeting #325

MINUTES

Adopted: March 29, 2018

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In Attendance: Dave van de Wetering (Acting Chair) Jeff Somerville, Dianne Taylor-Gearing, Greg Bambury, Jeff Burns, Evan Cameron, Marco Chiarot, Siobhan Cleary, Elizabeth Currie, Gary Edwards, Cameron Jantzen, Sean Kelly, Louise-Anne Comeau, Rudi Meyer, Rafael Macdonald, Rory MacDonald, Matthew MacLellan,

Meeting called to order at approximately 4:00 pm by Acting Chair, D. van de Wetering with the establishment of quorum.

2. Conflict of Interest

There were no conflicts of interest identified.

3. Acceptance of the Agenda

The agenda was accepted as presented.

Motion: To approve the February 15, 2018 Board agenda as presented.

Moved by S. Kelly, seconded. Carried [BOG 325/18-01]



In June 2014 the Board considered its facility strategy and rejected an additional lease facility due to the financial risks and the desire to control its facilities through ownership.

In the absence of any further information it is the Boards intent to proceed with the best viable option to own its own property and co-locate with the Art Gallery of Nova Scotia (AGNS).

The Port Campus plan will be presented to the Board at the March 2018 meeting.

NSCAD is proceeding on known plans and financial implications.

Following reading of the letter A. MacPherson, Chair Financial and Physical Resources Committee stated that in August 2016 the Board agreed "in principle" to moving forward with this option. The Board is now affirming its commitment to the plan submitted to the Province of Nova Scotia in September 2016.

Following reading of the letter into the record, the motion was tabled:

Motion: Be It Resolved that the NSCAD Board of Governors agree to formally reaffirm its decision of August 20, 2016 Special Board meeting that NSCAD University's intent is to proceed with the best viable option to own its own building and co-locate with the Art Gallery of Nova Scotia on the Halifax Waterfront. This was the preferred option stated in the September 2016 Business Plan presented to the Province of Nova Scotia.

Moved by S. Cleary, seconded. Carried [BOG 325/18-02]

## 7. Consent Agenda

The Chair stated there were a number of reports presented under the Consent Agenda and the Board had an opportunity to read through the reports prior to today's meeting. The Chair asked if there were any requests for items to be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Louise-Anne Comeau on behalf of the Audit and Risk Oversight Committee requested the minutes of the December 12, 2017 Audit and Risk Oversight Committee meeting be removed for consideration.

A. MacPherson on behalf of the Financial and Physical Resources Committee requested the minutes of the February 1, 2018 Financial and Physical Resources Committee be removed for consideration.

M. MacLellan on behalf of the Governance and Human Resources Committee requested the minutes of the January 16, 2018 Governance and Human Resources Committee be removed for consideration.

With these items removed, the remaining items of the Consent Agenda are declared adopted. These include the Statutory Remittance Certificate and Officer's Certificate - Facilities, the report of the Advancement Committee of December 19, 2017, the Alumni report and the SUNSCAD report.

There was no report tabled from Senate.

## 8. Consideration of Items Removed From Consent Agenda

Consideration of Items Removed from Consent Agenda – Audit and Risk Oversight Committee

### 8.1 Audit and Risk Oversight Committee

Louise-Anne Comeau

#### 8.1.1 Minutes – December 12, 2017 – Student Travel Policy

Louise-Anne Comeau stated the purpose of the policy is to ensure NSCAD University takes reasonable precautions on behalf of NSCAD University students traveling for the purpose of curriculum enrichment. This policy applies whether or not the travel is subsidized by NSCAD University.

Legal counsel has reviewed and provided an opinion and suggested language in the development of the policy. Faculty have used the policy on two recent trips as a test to see if there was anything that needed to be amended or added. The tests have proved informative.

The policy was approved by the Audit and Risk Oversight Committee on December 12, 2017.

Motion: To approve the recommendation of the Audit and Risk Oversight Committee to adopt the following policy that fall under the authority of the Board of Governors: Student Travel Policy.

Moved by Louise



The following motion is being tabled.

Motion: In accordance with Article 37.05(D) of the Collective Agreement between the Board of Governors and the Faculty Union, to approve the recommendation of the Governance and Human Resources Committee to grant a Regular Part-Time Faculty Appointment to Sharon Murray effective May 1, 2018.

Moved by M. MacLellan, seconded. Carried [BOG 325/18-08]

#### 9. Enterprise Risk Management Master Risk Template

Louise-Anne Comeau provided an update on ERM Master Reporting Template that was presented to the Audit and Risk Oversight Committee on December 12, 2017.

Some of the highlights of the report are:

Risk # 2 – Facility Planning Condition and Maintenance – Currently reviewing codes and updating known deficiencies. This has changed the status from Amber to Red.

Risk # 3 – Re





With the appointment of the Director of Marketing (2 year contract) NSCAD is increasing its global reach and presence. The new website is receiving very positive responses and the NSCAD Portfolio Day on February 19<sup>th</sup> is planned to be even more engaging. TEDx NSCAD was a sold out event on January 28<sup>th</sup> and plans are now moving ahead for the Fashion Gala and Starfish Student Art Awards. Student retention is currently 91% and we will be receiving the results of the International Student Barometer Survey on March 1.

#### 10.4 Dr. Peter MacKinnon

Through the Chair, the President respectfully requested Dr. Peter MacKinnon be invited to join the Board meeting for a 'fire side chat' session on University Governance. NSCAD senators were invited to join the meeting following the Board session for further discussion on bicamerality and its value and features as a structure of Governance at NSCAD University.

#### 11. Other Business

No other business.

#### 12. In Camera

No in camera session held.

#### 13. Adjournment

Motion: By motion of J. Somerville, the February 15, 2018 meeting of the Board