# BOARD OF GOVERNORS SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

# SUMMARY – BOARD OF GOVERNORS' MEETING OF JUNE 28, 2018

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Board Members present: F. Robin, Board Chair; A. Petter, President; T. Budd; M. Cordoba; J. Earthy; A. Khehra; M.C. Kropinksi; M. Mroz; J. Stewart; D. Williams

Regrets: A. Giardini, Chancellor; A. Kessler; C. Lewis

# **OPEN SESSION**

#### A. Finance and Administration

a. The Board approved the changes to hourly parking rates under Policy AD1.03, Parking, Mobility and Vehicle Traffic, effective immediately. [See also Governance and Nominating Committee, below.]

# B. <u>University Relations</u>

a. Fundraising Progress Reports: The Board noted year-to-date progress reports as follows:

Month	Fundraising Progress Report
	For Information 2018/2019 Year to Date
To April 30, 2018	\$888,270

- b. There were no new Terms of Reference in the month of April 2018 that required Board approval.
- c. The Board approved the Institutional Accountability Plan and Report 2017-18 Reporting Cycle to be presented to the Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills and Training.
- d. The Board approved the following action recommended by Senate on May 22, 2018:
  - The Full Program Proposal for the undergraduate Diploma in First Nations Language Proficiency (DFNLP) in the Department of Linguistics and the First Nations Languages Program within the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, effective Fall 2018.

# C. Governance and Nominating

- a. The Board approved amendments to Policy AD1.03, Parking, Mobility and Vehicle Traffic, effective immediately. [See also Finance and Administration Committee, above.]
- b. The Board approved the revised Mortgage Subsidy Policy A210.07, effective June 28, 2018.

# D. Audit, Risk and Compliance

a. The Board was informed of a change in the Statement of Financial Position of the Consolidated Financial Statements to reflect a construction invoice that was not accrued in the 2017-2018 fiscal year. This was an information item only as the amount did not exceed SFU's materiality level as a single item, but only in aggregate with other items, and there was no effect on the Annual Operating Surplus.



- g. The President was pleased to inform the Board that despite one day of inclement weather, SFU's eight spring convocation ceremonies (June 12-15, 2018) were successful. Further convocation highlights included, an Indigenous Honoring Feast to celebrate the success of our more than 100 Indigenous student graduates, as well as the Chancellor's Dinner attended by all 6 honorary degree recipients. Special thanks to Ceremonies and Events for doing a wonderful job, especially in transforming the gym into a celebratory space for the Indigenous Honoring Feast.
- h. Finally, the President reported that on May 31, 2018 our new undergraduate Sustainable Energy Engineering Program was approved by the Province. The 80-student program will pre-admit students this September, with the program due to start officially in Fall 2019. The Program Director is Kevin Oldknow, Professor of Mechatronics Systems Engineering/Associate Dean of FAS.
- i. Board Chair F. Robin welcomed the following new governors to their first Board meeting:
  - Dr. Mary Catherine Kropinski, faculty member and Chair of SFU's Department of Mathematics, elected for a three-year term, effective June 1, 2018 to May 31, 2021, replacing June Francis;
  - Thomas Budd, Masters student in the School of Resource and Environmental Management, elected as the graduate student Board member to a one-year term ending May 31, 2019, replacing Oliver Zihlmann; and.
  - Alam Khehra, undergraduate student in the School of Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology, elected as the undergraduate student Board member to a one-year term ending May 31, 2019,
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the Board will subsequently be provided with an information report that includes the contract award value and a description of the procurement and award process. The Board Chair indicated that the framework will permit the Board to maintain its oversight while providing the University

- Dr. Elizabeth Elle, Vice-Provost and Associate Vice-President, Learning and Teaching, 01 Sep 18
- Dr. Paul Kench, Dean, Science, 01 Sep 18 30 Jun 23
- Dr. Julia Denholm, Dean, Lifelong Learning, 01 Jul 18
- Dr. Mohamed Hefeeda, Director, Computing Science, 01 May 18 30 Apr 21

# E. Other

- a. The Board received the President's Activities Report for May 2018.
- b. At the conclusion of the meeting, Board members were escorted on a short walking tour of renovations and new construction projects on the Burnaby Campus.
- c. Other matters were discussed.

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a. Other matters were discussed.

The next Board of Governors Meeting will be held at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 27, 2018 at SFU Surrey, Room 5080.