# FANSHAWE COLLEGE FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS' POLICY MANUAL

#### CATEGORY B - BOARD PROCESS

TITLE: Corporate Officers

POLICY NUMBER: B-10

EFFECTIVE DATE: 2016 03 09 REFERENCE: 502, 1802, 4106

# **BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

As referenced in By-Law No. 1, the purpose of this policy is to describe the duties and responsibilities of Corporate Officers, and the process undertaken to appoint them.

## THE POLICY:

- Chair of the Board
  - 1.1 All members of the Board of Directors are eligible to become Chair of the Board of Directors except Ex Officio members.
  - 1.2 The Chair of the Board is determined through an election process later described in Section 5 of this Board Policy.
  - 1.3 The term of office for the Board Chair is up to two years, commencing September 1; however, a Board Chair may be re-elected provided the person is eligible to continue to serve as a member of the Board of Directors.
  - 1.4 The duties and responsibilities of the Chair of the Board of Directors include the following:
    - 1.4.1 Chair meetings of the Board of Directors in accordance with Board Policy and its By-Laws;
    - 1.4.2 Represent the Board of Directors, where appropriate, at functions or activities of the Board, the College, and the community;
    - 1.4.3 Speak on behalf of the Board of Directors on all Board matters;

- 1.4.4 Assist with the recruitment of new Board members;
- 1.4.5 Delegate authority of the Chair.

#### 2. Vice-Chair of the Board

- 2.1 All members of the Board of Directors are eligible to become Vice-Chair of the Board of Directors except Ex Officio members.
- 2.2 The Vice-Chair of the Board is determined through an election process later described in Section 5 of this Board Policy.
- 2.3 The term of office for the Vice-Chair is up to two years, commencing September 1; however, the Vice-Chair may be re-elected provided the person is eligible to continue to serve as a member of the Board of Directors and to Chair the Nominating Committee.
- 2.4 The duties and responsibilities of the Vice-Chair of the Board of Directors are to act as Chair of the Board of Directors whenever the Chair is unable to fulfill the role.

## 3. Executive Director

- 3.1 The Executive Director is an officer of the Corporation and is not a member of the Board of Directors.
- 3.2 The duties and responsibilities of the Executive Director are to manage and supervise the day-to-day operations of the Corporation.
- 3.3 The role of Executive Director is assigned to the College's Executive Director, Advancement and Alumni Office or equivalent position.

## 4. Corporate Secretary-Treasurer

- 4.1 The Corporate Secretary-Treasurer is an officer of the Corporation and is not a member of the Board of Directors.
- 4.2 The duties and responsibilities of the Corporate Secretary-Treasurer include the following:
  - 4.2.1 Maintain the integrity of Board and other corporate documents;
  - 4.2.2 Maintain the integrity of financial records;

- 4.2.3 Manage the investment portfolio in accordance with the Board's Investment Policy;
- 4.2.4 Ensures compliance with fiscal and other legal requirements.
- 4.3 The role of the Corporate Secretary-Treasurer is assigned to the College's Vice-President, Finance and Administration or equivalent position.

#### 5. Election Process

- 5.1 This election process applies to both the Chair and Vice-Chair positions on the Board of Directors.
- 5.2 Elections of the Chair and Vice-Chair will normally take place at the June meeting.
- 5.3 The sequence of elections shall begin with the Chair followed by the Vice-Chair.
  - 5.3.1 Should the Board Chair be interested in standing for another term, the role of Chair is assumed by the Corporate Secretary-Treasurer until the election process for that position is over.
- 5.4 Nominations for each position will be invited from the floor. Each nomination must be approved by the Board and accepted by the nominee, before another nomination is heard.
- 5.5 Once all nominations have been declared, a motion is required to close the nominations.
  - 5.5.1 Should only one nomination be received, the candidate is declared the winner and the election process is over.
- 5.6 In order of nomination, all candidates will be allowed to briefly address the Board.
- 5.7 Once all candidates have been heard, each Board member will cast one vote using a secret ballot.
- 5.8 The winner must obtain a clear majority of votes by way of elimination balloting, if necessary. If a tie vote results with only two candidates, then the winner shall be determined by the toss of a coin.

- 5.9 The Recording Secretary accompanied by the Corporate Secretary-Treasurer will collect and count the votes. The Recording Secretary will report the results of each vote (not the count of votes) to the Chair.
- 5.10 A final motion will be required to destroy the ballots.