

MINUTES OF THE SIX HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH MEETING
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
FANSHAWE COLLEGE

Meeting #615 – Zoom

January 23, 2025

Present:

Michael Geraghty, Chair
Tim Anderson
Mamta Chail
Peter Devlin, President
Shadé Dias
Courtney Ecker
Laura Elliott
Mihad Fahmy (left at 4:55 p.m.)
Sandy Jansen
Denise Luksys
Larry MacKinnon
Brad Nelson
Louise Poole
Terry Zavitz

Regrets:

Dave Ross

Staff Resource:

Michele Beaudoin, Vice-President, Student Services
Susan Cluett, Senior Vice-President, Academic
Lisa Jones, Vice-President, People and Culture - Acting
Jenny Ruz, Vice-President, Finance and Administration
Jeff Wright, Vice-President, Corporate Strategy and Business Development
Cheryl McMurray, Chief of Staff
Lisa McIntyre, Assistant, Board of Governors

Staff Resources: (joining throughout the meeting)

Donna Derer, Executive Project Consultant
Bosco Yuan, Executive Director, Finance

Guests:

Chris Loreto, Managing Principal at StrategyCorp
Lauren Wyman, Director in the Management Consulting Practice
Chris Carter, Senior Advisor
Komal Ayub, Engagement Analyst

The meeting began with a presentation by Marc-Anthony Di Biase and Nicholas Rizzo, of KPMG, on **Books to Bots: AI in Higher Education**.

Following discussion regarding the presentation the Chair thanked KPMG and indicated that they were free to leave.

A. OPENING PROCEDURES

1. Call to Order and Announcement of Quorum

The Chair called the meeting to order and announced quorum at 4:31 p.m.

2. Chair's Welcome

The Chair began by acknowledging and honouring the Anishnaabe, Haudenosaunee, and Lenape people of Southwestern Ontario as the traditional owners and custodians of the lands and waterways where Fanshawe College is located. Fanshawe celebrates the important contributions Indigenous people have and continue to make in Canadian society. The College respects and acknowledges our Indigenous students, staff, Elders, and visitors from many nations.

Regrets were noted and guests and staff resources were welcomed.

3. Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest

No conflicts were declared.

4. Consent Matters

The Chair confirmed that all business arising has been actioned or is on this agenda. Governors were asked if they wished to comment on or remove any items from the Consent Matters list. Hearing no comments, the following resolution was considered:

THAT the Board approve the Consent Matters, including all applicable motions.

- a) Approval of Agenda
- b) Approval of Minutes – #614 (2024-11-28)
- c) Business Arising from Minutes
- d) Programming Approval(s)
 - i. Data Analytics
 - ii. Doula Care Across the Lifespan
 - iii. Micro-credentials
- e) Board Reports:
 - i. Board Process Committee Report
 - ii. Audit Committee Report
 - iii. Strategic Direction (Refresh) Ad hoc Committee Report
 - iv. External Governor Appointment Committee Report

Adopted – Resolution #61501

B. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN CAMERA

Announce THAT the Board has moved into the Committee of the Whole at 4:39 p.m.

Adopted – Resolution #61502

C. REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Announce THAT the Committee of the Whole rise and report at 5:16 p.m.;
AND THAT the matters discussed proceed as presented.

Adopted – Resolution #61504

Bosco Yuan joined the meeting.

D. MONITORING REPORTS

1. Financial Planning Monitoring Report (D-05)

In the absence of the Audit Committee Chair, the Board Chair confirmed the following monitoring report was reviewed and approved at the January Audit Committee Meeting. Jenny Ruz, VP Finance and Administration, summarized and took questions on the Financial Planning Monitoring Report (D-05) that was provided with the meeting materials. She confirmed compliance with the policy, the forecasted surplus and assumptions around enrollment. She noted that expected outcomes of the Enterprise Wide Review (EWR) were not included in this forecast. The budget, that will include EWR outcomes, will be brought to the April Board meeting.

There being no questions, the following resolution was provided for the Board's consideration:

THAT the Board of Governors approves the Financial Planning Monitoring Report (D-05) based on reasonable interpretations of Board Policy and evidence demonstrating compliance with the policy, representing effective performance.

Adopted – Resolution #61505

Bosco Yuan was excused from the meeting.

E. PRESIDENT'S REPORTS

The Chair called on President Devlin who summarized the report provided with the meeting materials with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation. The following was highlighted:

- Labour Update
- Increased domestic enrollment
- Anticipated provincial and federal elections
- Financial pressures due to immigration policy
- Academic Services accomplishments

- Student Services statistics
- Advancement successes
- Fanshawe Global train-the trainer initiative
- Student exchange with Ireland, England, France, Germany, the Netherlands, Spain, Finland and Belgium
- Financial Health Indicators updated
- Zero based budgeting implemented for all departments
- Space consolidation being reviewed
- ERP Workday Phase 1 implemented
- Black History Month initiatives
- Elementary and Secondary students skilled trades visit

There was a discussion regarding the affects of the IRCC rules regarding work permits and student accommodation support and advocacy.

The President was thanked and the report accepted as presented.

F. CHAIR'S REPORTS

Michael Geraghty, Chair, reported the following:

- The survey results from the last meeting were reviewed and discussed by BPC and provided with the supplementary material. Governors were asked to look for the survey that will be available following the Board meeting.
- The Mayor's State of the City Address was commented on by attendees.
- Governors will be contacted in the coming days to arrange a check-in call with the Board Chair.

The Chair's report was accepted as presented.

G. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the resolution for adjournment was considered:

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 5:46 p.m.

Adopted – Resolution #61506



Lisa McIntyre, Recording Secretary



Michael Geraghty, Chair