Background Information:

The By-Laws of The Fanshawe College of Applied Arts and Technology make reference to the structure of the Board of Governors.

The Policy:

1. The Board’s structure is based on the following principles:

   1.1 the Board will be structured to facilitate achievement of the priorities for the College

   1.2 structures that facilitate flexibility and capability to respond quickly to the changing environment will be adopted

   1.3 the ‘standing bodies’ will be the Board Process Committee, Audit Committee and External Governance Committee

2. A standing committee, known as the Board Process Committee shall be responsible for the business of the Board as described in Board Policy B-07.05 (Board Process Committee).

3. A standing committee, known as the Audit Committee shall be responsible for assisting the Board in fulfilling its corporate governance and oversight responsibilities with respect to the College’s accounting and financial matters as described in Board Policy B-07.10 (Audit Committee Terms of Reference).

4. A standing committee, known as the External Governance Appointment Committee shall be responsible for the appointment/reappointment of Board Appointees and Lieutenant Governor in Council Appointees as described in Board Policy B-13 (Appointment/Reappointment of External Governors).
5. The Board of Governors will appoint its members to task forces when necessary to address specific governance initiatives. Task forces will be provided with specific mandates, memberships, and time frames in order to address key issues and facilitate development of policy by the Board. The details for these task forces will be outlined in Appendix 1 of Board Policy B-09 (Board Strategic Priorities and Annual Work Plan).

5.1 Resource staff assigned by the President may be permitted to participate in any discussions with the task force. However, the Chair of the task force should be vigilant in identifying those situations where a conflict of interest may be present.