



**CAMOSUN**  
COLLEGE  
**50 YEARS**  
1971-2021

## BOARD OF GOVERNORS

### REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

**MEETING:** Monday, May 3, 2021  
**TIME:** 5:00 pm  
**ONLINE:** Teams

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**BOARD MEMBERS:**

Monty Bryant, Chair  
Bijan Ahmadi  
Sherri Bell, President  
Tanya Clarmont  
Joanne Cumberland  
Richard Margetts  
Brenda McBain  
Brent Palmer  
Margie Parikh  
Emily Rogers  
Mike Stubbing  
Fillette Umulisa  
Al van Akker  
Lindsay JD van Gerven  
Phil Venoit

**ADMINISTRATION:**

John Boraas, VP Education  
Heather Cummings, VP Student Experience  
Deborah Huelscher, VP Administration & CFO  
Rodney Porter, Exec. Director, Communications & Marketing  
Barbara Severyn, Exec. Director, Human Resources  
Geoff Wilmshurst, VP Partnerships

**GUESTS:**

Evan Hilchey, Director, Student Affairs  
Ian Humphries, Dean, School of Access & Eyē? Sqâ'lewen,  
Indigenous Education & Community Connections  
Janice Simcoe, Director, Eye? Sq?'lewen

**REGRETS:** nil

**EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT:** Heather Martin

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**I CALL TO ORDER**

Monty Bryant, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

**II APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

The agenda was approved as distributed.

**III BOARD MEMBER REPORTS****1. Chair's Report**

Monty Bryant, Chair, noted we have four guests: April Atkins, Nancy Ellen Mabey, Keith Todd, and Michel Turcotte. Sherri Bell, President, and Monty met several times virtually and in person for planning. Monty met with Sherri and Quinn Cunningham, CCSS, to judge the submissions for the 50th Anniversary Student Creativity Contest. The three areas are written word; 2D or 3D art; and Audio Art. The spring elections are complete. We will welcome two new students in August: Amanda Garner and Puneet Kaur. Monty and Sherri will give them an orientation shortly. Monty attended the first BCC Governance Training for Presidents, Chairs and Vice Chairs in April. The topic was Board best practices. Sherri and Monty attended the Colleges and Institutes Canada (CICan) conference virtually from April 26 to 28. Monty was on the panel for the Governors

Networking Session on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion. Monty attended 'Walls Optional' on Thursday. In the session on maintaining community, instructors noted they missed their connection with students. Instructors used humour and pets to connect online, and polling to see what worked well and what did not.

## **2. President's Report**

Sherri Bell, President, also attended CIGan and Walls Optional, which were both held virtually. There were many wonderful speakers at CIGan from Camosun. The focus at Walls Optional was on teaching and learning. The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Student Creativity Awards were difficult to judge, as we have many talented students. Sherri took part in panel with the Presidents of UBC and Kwantlen University at BCNET. Sherri and Monty delivered more Camosun Cares food hampers to students last week. The Province sent the college a primer which is a high level overview of their 'Go Forward' guidelines for Post-Secondary. We are expected to go back to face-to-face in September, and the primer provides the guidelines. Classrooms will return to full capacity as everyone will have been offered at least one vaccination by then.

The spring and summer domestic enrolment is up 15% over last year, and up 4.5% over 2019. International enrolment is up 17% over last year, but down from 2019. However, the 2021 international and domestic tuition is \$1.6M higher than last year, and \$100K over 2019 for spring and summer. Indications are that international and domestic enrolment will be strong for fall.

## **3. Foundation**

Geoff Wilmshurst, Vice President Partnerships, noted the Advancement team is working on the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration. The Camosun Food Affair will take place in September. We expect to be able to return to restaurants by then, and have 50 restaurants signed up.

## **4. Education Council**

Bijan Ahmadi, Education Council Chair, noted the minutes from the March 17, 2021, meeting were included in the agenda package. Bijan went over the highlights of the April 21, 2021, meeting. They had some great discussions, including one on admission requirements.

## **5. Pacific Institute for Sport Excellence (PISE)**

Phil Venoit, PISE Board of Directors member, noted the PISE Board will meet later this month.

## **6. Finance Update**

Mike Stubbing, Chair, Finance Committee, noted they are continuing to work on the fourth quarter results. The results will go to the Audit committee at the end of May. A report on the 2020-21 results will go to the full Board in June. The deficit is in the range of \$7M as predicted. Deborah Huelscher, VP Administration & CFO, advised the audit is going well.

# **IV BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

## **1. Executive Committee**

Monty Bryant, Chair, Executive Committee, noted the Executive met virtually on April 19 on Teams. We received the draft schedule of Board and Committee meetings for 2021/2022. Sherri Bell provided an update on the ongoing progress on the Film Studio.

The Board completes two evaluations each year. The first is a short online survey in which the Board members evaluate the Board's performance. The online survey will go out tomorrow, May 4, to be completed by May 10. The second evaluation is a one-on-one interview with a member

of the Board Executive Committee. It will provide the opportunity for a more open ended discussion and a personal connection. They will take place between May 11 and June 2.

## **2. President Search Committee**

Monty Bryant, Chair, President Search Committee, reported the Search Committee added a meeting on April 26 to work on the organization of the stakeholder feedback sessions. Each candidate will have one day on campus to meet the stakeholder groups. They will be given tours of Lansdowne and Interurban. The sessions will be held on June 15, 16, and 17, and must comply with the Provincial Health Orders. It is considered essential, so we are aiming for face-to-face meetings. Planning is underway for both virtual and face-to-face sessions, or a combination. We can delay it until July if needed. The closing date for applications is today, May 3. The Search Committee Long List meeting is on May 10. The Short List meeting is on May 25. We have a number of well-qualified applicants.

## **V APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

The minutes of the April 12, 2021, meeting were approved as distributed.

## **VI NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Sexual Violence & Misconduct Policy Implementation Report**

Monty Bryant, Chair, noted the Sexual Violence & Misconduct Policy Implementation Report is required by Government each year.

### **2. Strategic Plan Goal: Indigenization – Truth & Reconciliation**

Ian Humphries, Dean, School of Access & Eyē? Sqā'lewen, Indigenous Education & Community Connections, and Janice Simcoe, Director, Eye? Sq?'lewen, presented an update on Camosun's response plan to the Truth & Reconciliation Calls to Action. A task force was formed. Consultation was with the Elders', Eyē? Sqā'lewen, students, and from across the college. The 39 action statements guide the response, and each has a person assigned for responsibility.

There are many physical and learning impacts such as the stairs from Na'tsa'maht to the pit cook and bench, parking spots for Elders, and Indigenized learning spaces. The TTW program has grown, required learning on Indigenization is in place in many programs, approval was given for hiring preference for Indigenous faculty for the next five years in certain areas, a non-voting seat for the Indigenous Coordinator on Education Council was added; as well as a position in CETL, and we formed the Canterbury, New Zealand partnership including the Advanced Certificate in Ways of Indigenous Leadership and Learning.

Janice shared some of the success stories of Indigenous students, and the impact on non-Indigenous instructors and students. Teaching each other must be grounded in relationship, and the project enabled more of us to have an impact on students. We are moving forward into a new post-pandemic era. We signed the United Nations Declaration of Rights of Indigenous Peoples. Cultural mores are shifting, and there is more fairness, but there is still a lot more to do.

### **3. Camosun College Student Society (CCSS) Fee Levies**

Deborah Huelscher, VP Administration & CFO, noted the College and Institute Act has an annual requirement that the Student Society make a request to the Board to direct the college administration to collect student fees on their behalf. The administration remits some back to the Student Society, and some elsewhere, such as the BC Transit fees.

**MOTION**

**THAT THE CAMOSUN COLLEGE BOARD OF GOVERNORS DIRECT ADMINISTRATION TO COLLECT THE FOLLOWING FEES FOR THE 2021-2022 ACADEMIC YEAR AND REMIT SAME TO THE CAMOSUN COLLEGE STUDENT SOCIETY:**

CCSS	\$12.29/month
BCFS	\$2.40/month
CASA	\$0.45/month
Health	\$139/year
Dental	\$139/year
Student Refugee Program	\$0.49/month

**AND**

**DIRECT ADMINISTRATION TO COLLECT THE FOLLOWING LEVIES TO BE COLLECTED AND DISTRIBUTED BY COLLEGE ADMINISTRATION AS PER THE EXISTING ARRANGEMENTS AND UNDERSTANDINGS:**

U-Pass	\$20.25/month
Childcare	\$1.18/month
Athletics	\$4.82/month
Recreation	\$3.36/month
Building Fund	\$4.35/month
Recycled Paper	\$0.15/month

**CARRIED**

**4. CCSS Audited Financial Statements - Year Ending March 31, 2020**

Deborah Huelscher noted it is a requirement that the Student Society inform the Board that their financial statements have been audited. They received a clean audit opinion, and are in good financial health.

**VII ADJOURNMENT**

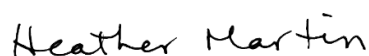
The meeting was adjourned at 6:10 pm.



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Monty Bryant, Chair

June 14, 2021

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Date



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Heather Martin, Executive Assistant