

## OPEN SESSION MINUTES

Tuesday, March 28, 2023

4:30 p.m. – 6:05 p.m.

Rm C-112/C-113 Silver King Campus / Zoom

## BOARD OF GOVERNORS

### BOARD MEMBERS:

Margaret Sutherland, Chair	Christy Anderson, Vice Chair
Scott Weatherford, Past Chair	Debbie Bird
John Dutton	Bronwyn Krause
Audrey Repin	Ken Wyllie
Abhilash Bhasin	Dave Briggeman
Sarah Lechthaler, EdCo Chair	Maggie Matear, President

### REGRETS:

Liam Richardson	Danny Bradford
Kris Salikin	

### LEADERSHIP TEAM MEMBERS:

Kerry Clarke, VP College Services/CFO  
Lareena Rilkoff, Executive Director Finance & Risk  
Taya Whitehead, VP Education & Students  
Stacey Matthews, Executive Director HR  
Brier Albano, Registrar / Assoc. VP Student Success  
Tammie Clarke, Dean  
Maggie Keczan, Director of Communications & Public Engagement

### GUESTS:

Rob Schwarzer, School Chair Industry & Trades Training  
Bob Hall, Communications Coordinator & Community Liaison

### OBSERVERS:

Melody Diachun, SCFA  
Gerald Lightburn, PPWC

### TOPIC

#### 1. MEETING OPENING

Elder Donna Wright opened the meeting in a good way.

#### 2. TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Board Chair Margaret Sutherland provided a territorial acknowledgment.

#### 3. ADDITIONS TO THE OPEN SESSION AGENDA OF MARCH 28, 2023

There were no additions to the open session agenda of March 28, 2023.

#### 4. ADOPTION OF THE OPEN SESSION AGENDA OF MARCH 28, 2023

Motion: "To adopt the open session agenda of March 28, 2023 as circulated."

*Carried*

#### 5. ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA OF MARCH 28, 2023

- Draft Open Session Board Minutes of Feb. 28, 2023
- March Dashboard
- EdCo Report – March 2023

Motion: "To adopt the consent agenda of March 28, 2023 as circulated."

*Carried*

## TOPIC

### 6. PRESENTATION:

- School of Industry & Trades Training
- Presenters:
  - Tracy Punchard, Dean
  - Rob Schwarzer, School Chair
- Presentation topics included:
  - Top in-demand trades
  - Training and apprenticeship pathways
  - Programs offered at Selkirk College
  - Successes and challenges
  - Student supports
- Follow up questions raised and discussion ensued.

### 7. PRESENTATION

- Website project
- Presenter:
  - Maggie Keczan, Director Communications and Public Engagement
- Presentation topics included:
  - Project overview
  - Goals & objectives
  - Phased approach
  - Priorities
  - Launch plan
- Group Board of Governors photo taken for use on the new website.
- Discussion ensued on the possibility of rebranding the college's logo (coat of arms/crest). The next strategic planning process will look at the college's visual identity.

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT - *Deferred*

### 8. 2023/2024 BUDGET

- The Executive Director of Finance & Risk reviewed the circulated briefing note offering two approval options:
  - Option 1: That the Board of Governors approve the expenditure of the college resources in the amount not to exceed 25% of the last fiscal year's budget to cover operations for April and May of 2023 as an interim measure until the final 2023/2024 budget is approved in May 2023.
  - Option 2: That the Board of Governors approve the 2023/2024 \$2,435,014 deficit operating budget as presented.
- The Board chose option 2.
- The College received approval from the Ministry of Post-Secondary Education and Future Skills to run a deficit in fiscal 2021 and fiscal 2022 due to the Covid-19 pandemic recovery. This approval has been extended into fiscal 2023 (\$2.4 million) and 2024 (\$6.3 million).
- The President thanked the Board for their support of the deficit budget, their confidence in the college's senior team. Many PSE deficit budgets this year suggest there are structural deficits emerging, and the BC Colleges presidents' group is continuing to advocate for implementation of provincial Funding Review findings.

Motion: To approve the 2023/2024 \$2,435,014 deficit operating budget as presented."

*Carried*

## TOPIC

### 9. 2023 BOARD AWARDS

- The Adjudication Committee recommended the following award recipients:
  - Dr. Laurene Rehman – Distinguished Alumni
  - Lennard Joe – Distinguished Alumni
  - Monica Vogler – Distinguished Educator
  - Robert Watt - Honorary Diploma in Liberal Arts Law and Justice Studies

Motion: “To approve the 2023 Board Award recipients as recommended by the Adjudication Committee.”  
*Carried*

### 10. EQUITY, DIVERSITY & INCLUSION

- The President provided a verbal update:
  - The EDI Plan is with the Marketing Team for final touches before it is launched early next month.

### 11. REGIONAL SECONDARY SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

- Board members reviewed the circulated list of regional high school graduation ceremonies and volunteered to award Selkirk College scholarships at the ceremonies. Additional details on each ceremony will follow in May.

### 12. CHAIR’S REPORT

- The Chair provided a verbal report
  - Attended the HR Committee meeting; and
  - Participated in and gave thanks for the Castlegar Campus Library tour.

### 13. MEMBERS’ REPORT

- No reports offered.

### 14. CLOSED SESSION

Motion: “To move into the closed session.”

*Carried*