University of Victoria

Board and Board Committee Meetings
Monday January 25 and Tuesday January 26 2021

Open Session
Tuesday January 26, 2021 11:00 a.m.
Via Videoconference

SUMMARY RECORD

Present: Dr. David Zussman, (Acting Chair), Mr. Merle Alexander, Mr. Keith Barbon, Dr. Shailoo Bedi, Dr. Marilyn Callahan, Ms. Katherine Fairley, Dr. Kevin Hall, Dr. Adam Monahan, Dr. Monica Prendergast, Mr. Paul Ramsey, Ms. Shelagh Rogers, Ms. Carolyn Thoms, Ms. Beverly Van Ruyven, Ms. Juliet Watts, Ms. Carrie Andersen (Secretary)

By Invitation: Mr. Chris Horbachewski, Dr. Lisa Kalynchuk, Ms. Kimberley Kennard, Dr. Valerie Kuehne, Ms. Kristi Simpson

Regrets: Ms. Cathy McIntyre

1. Approval of Agenda
MOTION: (M. Callahan/M. Prendergast)
THAT the agenda of the open session of the regular meeting of January 26, 2021 be approved.

CARRIED

2. Approval of Summary Record of the Meeting held November 24, 2020
MOTION: (S. Rogers/A. Monahan)
THAT the summary record of the open session of the regular meeting held November 24, 2020 be approved.

CARRIED

3. Business Arising from the Summary Record
There was none.

4. Chair's Remarks
There were none.

5. Correspondence
There was none.

6. President's Report
Dr. Hall reflected on his first few months as president and thanked the UVic community for continuing to make him feel welcome.

Dr. Hall announced the appointment of Dr. Lois Harder as incoming Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences for a five-year term starting July 1, 2021.

Dr. Hall spoke of recent and upcoming engagements with staff, faculty and alumni and of meetings with internal and external stakeholders.

With respect to the university's response to COVID-19, Dr. Hall provided an update on the implications of Public Health Orders on the university's operations and academic programming. Dr. Hall reported on spring term instruction, supports for students and enrolment numbers. He informed the Board that planning is underway for the upcoming summer session.

With respect to collaborations with university partners, Dr. Hall spoke of recent work to advance the Westshore initiative with the presidents of Camosun and Royal Roads. He also noted that the Building Owners and Managers Association of BC, 10 major property managers, the City of Victoria, District of Saanich, the Province and UVic, are partnering in an initiative aimed at reducing energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions for a number of buildings in the region.

Dr. Hall commented on the university' recent investment in the Raven Indigenous Impact Fund.

Dr. Hall highlighted recent awards given to faculty members as well as recent donations to the university.

Dr. Zussman thanked Dr. Hall for his report. There were no questions from the Board members.

7. External Relations Update

Chris Horbachewski, Vice-President External Relations provided highlights from his circulated report. There were no questions for Mr. Horbachewski.

CONSENT

8. Finance Committee (Ms. Carolyn Thoms)

a. University of Victoria Staff Pension Plan Investment Performance Report for the Period Ended September 30, 2020 BOG-Jan26/21-13

b. University of Victoria Staff Pension Plan: Statement of Investment Policies and Goals BOG-Jan26/21-14

MOTION:

THAT the proposed amendments to the University of Victoria Staff Pension Plan Statement of Investment Policies and Procedures (formerly Staff Pension Plan Statement of Investment Policies and Goals) be approved, effective immediately.

9. Operations and Facilities Committee (Mr. Merle Alexander)

a. New and Revised Awards BOG-Jan26/21-36

MOTION:

THAT the Board of Governors approve new and revised undergraduate and graduate awards set out in the attached document and listed below:

- *Winner Medical Young Pioneer in Social Innovation Scholarship* (New)*
- *Elizabeth (Betty) Valentine Prangnell Scholarship* (Revised)*
- *Scotiabank Scholarship for Law Students (New)*
- *Indigenous Perspectives Camp 25th Anniversary Award (New)*
- *Herbert Bertram Falkenstein Graduate Scholarship in Fine Arts* (Revised)*
- *Victoria Musical Arts Society Scholarship* (Revised)*
- *Harper Grey LLP & Life in Law Diversity Award (New)*
- *Dr. Ian Stuart MBA Scholarship in Sustainable Innovation* (Revised)*
- *John Geerdes Memorial Bursary* (New)*
- *Chuck Curtis Memorial Scholarship* (Revised)*
- *For the Love of Film Scholarship* (New)*
- *Faculty of Fine Arts Student Community Impact Award* (New)*
- *Victoria Nikkei Cultural Society Award* (New)*
- *Howlers Rugby Award* (Revised)*
- *Marilyn (Leslie) Kan and John YH Kan Award (New)*
- *TANSI Bursary (New)*
- *Dr. Carolyn Lee Crippen Scholarship* (New)*
- *Langford-Seaborne Scholarship* (Revised)*
- *Chris Barran Memorial Fund* (New)*
- *Boehm-Hesser Graduate Research Excellence in Astronomy Award* (Revised)*

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b. Proposal to add a Thesis Option to the Master of Arts in Community Development BOG-Jan26/21-22

MOTION:

THAT the Board of Governors approve the addition of a thesis option to the Master of Arts in Community Development", as described in the document "MA in Community Development-adding Thesis (CD 599), effective immediately.

c. Proposal to Discontinue the Master of Business Administration and Master of Science in Computer Science Double Degree Program BOG-Jan26/21-23

MOTION:

THAT the Board of Governors approve the proposal to discontinue the Master of Business Administration and Master of Science in Computer Science double degree program, as described in the document "MBA+MSC-CSBU Discontinuation of Program" effective immediately.

d. Proposal to Discontinue the Master of Business Administration and Master of Engineering in Electrical Engineering Double Degree Program BOG-Jan26/21-24

MOTION:

THAT the Board of Governors approve the proposal to discontinue the Master of Business Administration and Master of Engineering in Electrical Engineering double degree program, as described in the document "MBA+MENG-ELBU Discontinuation of Program", effective immediately.

e. Proposal to Discontinue the Master of Business Administration and Master of Engineering in Mechanical Engineering Double Degree Program BOG-Jan26/21-25

MOTION:

THAT the Board of Governors approve the proposal to discontinue the Master of Business Administration and Master of Engineering in Mechanical Engineering double degree program, as described in the document "MBA+MENG-MEBU Discontinuation of Program", effective immediately.

f. Proposal to Discontinue the Master of Business Administration and Master of Science in Business Double Degree Program with EDHEC Business School BOG-Jan26/21-26

MOTION:

THAT the Board of Governors approve the proposal to discontinue the Master of Business Administration and Master of Science in Business double degree program with EDHEC Business School, as described in the document "MBA+BUSI-EDHEC Discontinuation of Program", effective immediately.

g. Proposal to Discontinue the Master of Global Business Double Degree Program with the EDHEC Business School BOG-Jan26/21-27

MOTION:
THAT the Board of Governors approve the proposal to discontinue the Master of Global Business double degree program with EDHEC Business School, as described in the document "Discontinuance", effective immediately.

h. Proposal to Establish a Bachelor of Education Indigenous Post-Degree Professional Program (I-PDPP) BOG-Jan26/21-29

MOTION:
THAT the Board of Governors approve the proposal to establish a Bachelor of Education Indigenous Post-degree Program (I-PDPP), as described in the document "Bachelor of Education in Indigenous Post-degree Professional Program", effective immediately.

i. Status Report on Capital Projects BOG-Jan26/21-15a

Pro Forma Motion: (C. Thoms/A. Monahan)
THAT the above items be approved by the Board of Governors by consent.

CARRIED

REGULAR

9. Operations and Facilities Committee (Mr. Merle Alexander)

a. Revised policy GV0245 – Sexualized Violence Prevention and Response Policy BOG-Jan26/21-34

Mr. Alexander introduced the proposal. He noted that the committee had commented on the extraordinary consultation process undertaken during the review process. He said the policy placed UVic as a leader in this critical area.

Mr. Alexander invited Cassbreea Dewis, Executive Director, Equity and Human Rights office to provide a presentation to the Board. Ms. Dewis provided background on the policy and the review process. She highlighted the major revisions and outlined the next steps for implementation.

MOTION: (M. Alexander/M. Prendergast)
THAT the Board of Governors approve the revised policy GV0245 – Sexualized Violence Prevention and Response Policy, effective immediately.

CARRIED

10. Aspiration 2030: Collaborating for Impact – UVic's Strategic Research and Creative Works Plan

Dr. Zussman introduced Lisa Kalynchuk, Vice-President Research and Innovation.

Dr. Kalynchuk reviewed the process for developing the draft strategic research and creative works plan. She provided an overview of the four pillars of climate and sustainability, health and wellness, social justice and Indigenous knowledge. Dr. Kalynchuk invited Board members to provide feedback on the proposed 2030 timeline for the plan and the intention to develop an aspirational plan.

Members of the Board expressed support for the process being undertaken to renew the plan. In response to a question regarding integration with the Strategic Framework and focus on experiential learning and co-op, Dr. Kalynchuk indicated that one of the aspirations is to support researchers at all levels to reach their full potential. It is an opportunity to work with the Provost to expand experiential learning and co-op opportunities for undergraduate students.

11. Other Business

a) Review of action items identified
There were no action items.

b) Any other business
There was none.

Adjournment

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:56 a.m.

Originals signed by Cathy McIntyre, Board Chair and Carrie Andersen, University Secretary.