



## BOARD OF GOVERNORS

### REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

MEETING: Tuesday, April 14, 2020  
TIME: 5:00 pm  
ONLINE: Teams

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**BOARD MEMBERS:**

Laylee Rohani, Chair

**ADMINISTRATION:**

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

REGRETS: nil

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT: Heather Martin

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Phil Venoit

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**I CALL TO ORDER**

Laylee Rohani, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:03 pm.

**II APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

The agenda was approved as distributed.

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

Laylee Rohani, Chair, met with virtually with Sherri Bell several times for planning. The spring 2020 election for Education Council and Board of Governors representation took place April 7 to 9. There are two student positions available on the board with a term of August 1, 2020 - July 31, 2021. Congratulations Lindsay JD van G Tc O. on her success at the Skills Canada Regional Competition at the Interurban C Board took part in three COVID-19 update teleconference meetings with also received many written updates.

On behalf of the Board of Governors, Laylee thanked Sherri Bell and the College Executive Team (CET) for their excellent leadership in the past month. They have worked tirelessly to address the COVID-19 issues. They had to deliver education differently and had to make the changes happen very quickly. Their leadership in arranging for emergency funds to help with the basic needs of the students, working with the Foundation, was very much appreciated as well. Congratulations on a job well done!

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

Sherri Bell, President, advised that she and CET have been working to meet the emergency needs of the students. They worked with Jody Kitts, Director, Advancement and Alumni Engagement, to launch a fundraising campaign 'Erasing Barriers'. Financial Aid is working hard to deposit \$200 directly into the students' bank accounts. Over 1000 students applied and we distributed to 370 students (\$92K) so far. The Government then gave every institution \$140K to be used to assist domestic students. Our international students who stayed here, who were without jobs, needed help as well. Today the Foundation approved \$200K for emergency funds for students. The three funds together will go to students, and will assist a second round of emergency funding.

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Geoff Wilmshurst, Vice President Partnerships, reiterated that the Foundation Executive and the Finance & Audit committee have done a superb job managing the Foundation.

**4. Education Council**

Bijan Ahmadi, Education Council Chair, noted the March meeting was cancelled due to COVID-19, but the April 15 meeting will go forward using Teams. There will be a report next month.

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

Phil Venoit, PISE Board of Directors member, noted they have not met. The staff are all working remotely due to COVID-19. PISE will meet next in May.

**IV BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**1. Executive Committee**

Laylee Rohani, Chair, Executive Committee, reported that the Executive met virtually on March

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