

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES

Friday January 27, 2023

Senate Chamber – Room 1079

2:15 PM – 3:15 PM

Present: I. Agoston, A. Alexander, A. Beswick, K. Bach, C. Brown, J. Henley, D. McIntosh, J. McKay, G. Payne, P. Sanborn, G. Stewart, C. Wishart – CHAIR

Regrets: M. Reed – VICE-CHAIR

Administration: K. Howitt (Senior Governance Officer), K. Lewis (Interim Vice-President Research and Innovation), A. Parent (Governance Officer – Recording), C. Smith (Associate Vice-President, Financial Services), W. Rodgers (Vice-President Academic & Provost), R. Somani (Vice-President Finance and Administration)

The meeting commenced at 2:41 pm.

1. **Acknowledgement of Territory**

The Chair acknowledged the First Nations territories on which we work.

2. **Chair's Remarks**

The Chair highlighted for the Board the continued increase in UNBC's research funding. Over the past five years, UNBC placed first among universities in its tier for the percentage of funding from the Canadian Institutes of Health Research. UNBC received \$7.7 million over the span, representing 12.6 per cent of UNBC's total research income.

The Chair advised that the Call for Nominations for the Faculty and Student Board members will be going out.

The Chair called for any declarations of conflict with items on the Public Agenda. No conflicts were noted.

Correspondence Received – no correspondence received.

3. **Approval of Agenda**

MOTION: 2023BP01.27.01 (G. Payne / A. Beswick)
That, the Agenda for the Public Session of the January 27, 2023, meeting of the Board of Governors be approved as presented.

CARRIED

4. **Approval of Minutes**

a. **Public Session Minutes of November 17, 2022**

MOTION: 2023BP01.27.02 (A. Beswick / G. Payne)
That, the Public Session Minutes of the November 17, 2022, meeting of the Board of Governors be approved as presented.

CARRIED

5. **Business Arising from Previous Public Session Minutes**

None

6. **Reports of Committees and Related Motions**

- (i) **Audit and Risk Committee** – G. Stewart, Chair
There were no meetings held since the last report/Board meeting.
- (ii) **Governance & Human Resources Committee** – C. Wishart, Chair
- a. **University Advancement Advisory Board** – G. Payne (**Discussion 3 minutes**)
Materials were reviewed. The following amendments were made:

Amendment 1: 3.2 change 'provide the University with links' to 'connect the University'

Amendment 2: 3.1 remove between UAAB member' networks and UNBC's Executive of staff'

MOTION: 2023BP01.27.03 (G. Payne / A. Beswick)
That, on the recommendation of the Governance and Human Resources Committee, the Board of Governors approves the Terms of Reference for the University Advancement Advisory Board as amended.

CARRIED

- (ii) **Finance and Investment Committee** – A. Beswick, Chair

- a. **2023/24 Consolidated Budget** – R. Somani (**Discussion 34 minutes**)
Materials were reviewed.

The Vice-President, Finance and Administration delivered a presentation on the Budget 2023/24: Assumptions and Analysis. A discussion followed.

The Board discussed broadening their understanding of strategic enrollment management and better understanding the actions that are being deployed by the University. They have committed to an educational engagement session on enrollment and keeping dedicated space on their agendas for discussion and updates so that the Board can understand where the University is and what the risks are.

MOTION: 2023BP01.27.04 (A. Beswick / G. Stewart)
That, on the recommendation of the Finance and Investment Committee, the Board of Governors approves the 2023/24 Consolidated Budget, as presented.

CARRIED

- b. **Agreements, Scholarships, Bursaries and Awards** – W. Rodgers (**Discussion 1 minute**)
That, on the recommendation of the Finance and Investment Committee, the Board of Governors approves the agreements, scholarships, bursaries and awards as recommended and approved by the UNBC Senate, for the period of November 2023 to January 2023, as presented.

MOTION: 2023BP01.27.05 (A. Beswick / G. Payne)

That, on the recommendation of the Finance and Investment Committee, the Board of Governors approves the agreements, scholarships, bursaries and awards as recommended and approved by the UNBC Senate, for the period of November 2023 to January 2023, as presented.

CARRIED

7. **Board Motions**

None

8. **Other Business**

a. Annual Schedule of Board Meetings 2023 – for information – C. Wishart

b. Schedule of Upcoming UNBC Events

- February 3 & 4
 - [UNBC Timberwolves](#) vs. Thompson Rivers @ the Northern Sports Centre
- February 16
 - UNBC Employee Recognition Event
- February 22
 - UNBC Senate
- February 27 to March 3
 - [UNBC Research Week 2023 – Learning through Research](#)

For more UNBC events, please visit www2.unbc.ca/events

9. **Adjournment**

MOTION: 2023BP01.27.0 (A. Alexander)

That the Board Public Session be adjourned.

CARRIED

Adjourned at 3:25 pm.