



OPEN SESSION MINUTES

- Present:** D. Nanang (Chair), P. Quesnele (Secretary)
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| P. Dupuis | E. Pitcher | A. Trudeau |
| A. Lambert | M. Pitcher | A. Vezina (President) |
| R. Linklater | S. Schell | |
| M. Moraca | S. Shaver | |
| M. Nadeau | H. Stevenson | |
| M. Nogalo | S. Taylor | |
- Regrets:** J. Belisle, Rev. L. Grawbarger, S. Horn (Chancellor), P. Sewell
- Guests:** R. Battisti, C. Fowler, K. Hudson, B. Krmpotich, D. Rogers, K. Rousseau, B. Teller

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Chairs Opening Remarks

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting virtually and advised on the procedures to follow during the meeting.

1.2 Declarations of Conflicts of Interest

None.

1.3 Consent Agenda

1.3a OPEN Agenda for meeting dated April 30, 2020

1.3b OPEN Minutes - March 26, 2020 **[Appendix 1]**

1.3c Written Reports from Board Committees and University Bodies **[Appendix 2]:**

Committee/ University Body	Chair	Report
Board Executive	S Schell	A. Minutes Mar 17/20
Board Finance	M Moraca	B. Minutes Mar 17/20

MOTION: *That all items listed under the date April 30, 2020 'Consent Agenda' be approved as recommended.*

Moved by: E. Pitcher

Seconded by: S. Shaver

Carried.

2.0 REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT

2.1 President's Report (verbal)

A. VEZINA provided updates on the move to online studies and work from home procedures. She highlighted positive student reports from the Registrar about students completing their

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terms during the crisis. Further, the plans for the Spring term were discussed in terms of retention and recruitment strategies..

3.0 PRESENTATIONS

3.1 Remote Learning Update Spring/Summer 2020

- Contact North Partnership
- PowerED by Athabasca Partnership

D. ROGERS and C. FOWLER provided an update on the partnerships between the University and Contact North/PowerED by Athabasca and the strategy for moving to remote delivery. The presentation outlined the support for faculty in both platforms and advantages of the platforms with respect to innovative methods and practices.

4.0 BUSINESS ARISING

4.1 Student Emergency Fund [Appendix 3]

- In response to the students' immediate financial hardships

B. TELLER and K. HUDSON provided an update on the Student Emergency Fund and shared that over \$100,000 had been raised to date. The President thanked the committee that has distributed the funding to students in need, as well as the local businesses and individuals (including Board members) who have contributed to the fund. As part of the strategy, the team has reached out to all 3 campuses and their communities, and to date it was reported that over \$100,000 has been raised.

5.0 ITEMS FOR DECISION/DISCUSSION - None

6.0 NEW BUSINESS ITEMS - None

7.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

7.1 Strategic Enrolment Management / Retention Report [Appendix 4]

B. KMPOTICH presented the report which outlined growth in student enrolment as a result of successful initiatives. To date, the University has achieved 90 percent of the Spring 2020 enrolment target (212.5 FTE). K. HUDSON provided a high-level overview on retention and well-being and reported that, overall, students are doing as well as can be expected during this crisis. Individual contact is being made with every student and data tracked to help with decision making and support services.

7.2 Board Member Participation at AU Events (sign-up with Secretary)

- Chancellor Celebration for Shirley Horn - postponed
- COU Board Conference June 5 - cancelled
- Spring 2020 Convocations - postponed
- CSAA Gathering - postponed to 2021

The Secretary advised that all listed events were either postponed or cancelled due to the pandemic.

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8.0 MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: *That the Board move into CLOSED Session.*
Moved by: S. Schell **Seconded by:** M. Pitcher **Carried.**

9.0 APPROVALS OF MOTIONS MADE IN CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: *To approve the motions that were made in the CLOSED Session of the April 30, 2020 meeting of the Board.*
Moved by: S. Schell **Seconded by:** R. Linklator **Carried.**

10.0 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: *That the April 30, 2020 meeting of the Algoma University Board of Governors be adjourned.*
Moved by: M. Pitcher **Seconded by:** S. Taylor **Carried.**