



BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Meeting of the Board

January 23, 2020 | 5:30pm | EW 205

Sault Ste. Marie Campus

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

Present: D. Nanang (Chair), P. Quesnele (Secretary)

J. Belisle*	E. Pitcher	A. Trudeau
R. Linklater	M. Pitcher	A. Vezina (President)
M. Moraca	S. Schell	
M. Nadeau	H. Stevenson	
M. Nogalo	S. Taylor	

Regrets: Rev. L. Grawbarger, S. Horn (Chancellor), A. Lambert, C. Provenzano, P. Sewell, S. Shaver

Guests: R. Battisti, C. Fowler, S. Hackett, B. Krmpotich, D. Rogers, C. Wilson

*Teleconference

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Acknowledgment of Traditional Territories

We wish to acknowledge that we are on the traditional lands of the Anishinaabek Nation. We also acknowledge that we are on sacred lands set aside for education as envisioned by Chief Shingwauk for our children and for those as yet unborn.

1.1 Chairs Opening Remarks

The Chair spoke about the tragedy of Ukraine Airlines Flight PS752 and asked for a *Moment of Silence* to honour those who lost their lives.

The Chair approved the media to take photos and recordings of the Board proceedings and reminded everyone of the Section VI, Article 17 of the By-Laws.

1.2 Declarations of Conflicts of Interest

None.

1.3 Consent Agenda

1.3a OPEN Agenda for meeting dated January 23, 2020

1.3b OPEN Minutes - September 19, 2019 **[Appendix 1]**

1.3c OPEN Minutes - November 7, 2019 Special Meeting **[Appendix 2]**

1.3d OPEN Minutes - November 28, 2019 **[Appendix 3]**

1.3e Written Reports from Board Committees and University Bodies **[Appendix 4]:**

Committee/University Body	Chair	Report
APC	N/A	No Report
Board Executive	S Schell	Minutes of Nov 12/19
Board Finance	M Moraca	Minutes of Nov 12/19
Nominating & Governance	M Pitcher	No Report

MOTION: *That all items listed under the date January 23, 2020 ‘Consent Agenda’ be approved as Recommended.*

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Moved by: E. Pitcher

Seconded by: R. Linklater

Carried.

2.0 REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT

2.1 President's Report Special Edition [addendum]

- Reflecting on our progress (2018-20) and setting the stage for the future
A VEZINA presented the report and slide deck. Discussion ensued regarding plans for internationalization and indigenization and the progress being made in both areas. Governors asked to familiarize themselves with the document in anticipation of the Board retreat that would refer to the report as the governors work through priority setting for 2020-2021.

3.0 PRESENTATIONS

3.1 3.1 Economic Impact Study - EMSI Susan Hackett [Appendix 5]

C WILSON introduced the background and context for the Economic Impact Study. S. HACKETT from EMSI presented a slidedeck that provided an overview of the Economic Impact Study for Algoma University. Some questions and discussion ensued about the possibility in the future of providing a specific focus on the economic benefits of Indigenous students. It was explained that currently, there is no available or reliable data specific to Indigenous students for the region or the province but it is something the industry is working on for the future. It was noted that this report was used as part of the proposal that secured \$7.3M funding from the City of Brampton. Going forward the EIS will be helpful in demonstrating AU's impact. A communication strategy will also be developed to roll out the results of the Economic Impact Study.

4.0 BUSINESS ARISING - None

5.0 ITEMS FOR DECISION/DISCUSSION

5.1 Geography Lab Name Modification [Appendix 6]

MOTION: *To approve the request from the Department of Geography, Geology and Land Stewardship to modify the name of the Geography Lab to "Dr. Robert Ewing Geography Lab & Aki Stewardship Centre (in partnership with the National Aboriginal Lands Managers Association)".*

Moved by: A TRUDEAU

Seconded by: S SCHELL

Carried.

A VEZINA described the history behind this request.

S. SCHELL explained that this board item and report was brought to Board Executive as part of the agenda-setting exercise. Board Executive was in agreement that it should come to Board for approval as per the Naming and Recognition Policy. The Board Executive did not move a formal motion in its meeting to recommend it to the Board for approval. Board Executive has asked for the policy to be reviewed in this context.

As part of the deliberation on this item, It was clarified that the Ewing family was contacted and in support of this name modification.

5.2 Annual Governance Training

S. SCHELL explained that the Board Executive Committee expressed the desire to ensure governors have adequate training in governance. She shared that Board Executive had requested that the Nominating and Governance Committee explore options for enhancing governance training. It was also explained that it was felt important that the full Board be aware of the request given how important this is for the entire Board to be in support of exercises and training that promote and continue to ensure a highly functioning Board of Governors.

6.0 NEW BUSINESS ITEMS

6.1 Brampton Campus Principal - Craig Fowler

A VEZINA introduced the newest member of the Senior Executive Team, Craig Fowler, as the new Brampton Principal. She explained that he will bring a strong leadership presence to the Senior team as well as the Brampton Campus, and will oversee the target established as part of the strategic planning process to reach 1000 FTE in Brampton by 2023. C. FOWLER shared his excitement and interest in joining the Algoma U team and shared many positive experiences and reflections from the first few weeks since starting.

7.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

7.1 Strategic Enrolment Management Report [Appendix 7]

B. KRMPOTICH presented the report and highlighted the accomplishment of setting a new record for enrollment at Algoma U. The Board expressed their pride in these accomplishments and recognized the efforts of the entire AU community.

7.2 Strategic Mandate Agreement 3 (SMA3) Process Update [Appendix 8]

D ROGERS provided an update as per the report.

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

- January 22, 2020 (5-7pm) - Student Awards Reception
- January 29, 2020 (11am-1pm) - SASA Lounge Grand Opening
- February 7, 2020 (10am-4pm) - Anishinaabe Inendamowin Research Symposium
- March 8, 2020 (12pm-1pm) - Gathering at the Rapids Pow Wow - Grand Entry Participation
- March 26, 2020 (morning) - Anishinaabemowin Teg Language Conference

Board members are encouraged to sign up with the Secretary to the Board.

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7.4 Preparation for Board Retreat Workshop

M. PITCHER provided an overview of the working agenda for the Board Retreat and expressed the importance of having as much Board member participation as possible in the Retreat.

8.0 MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: *That the Board move into CLOSED Session.*

Moved by: M. Pitcher

Seconded by: S. Taylor

Carried.

9.0 APPROVALS OF MOTIONS MADE IN CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: *To approve the motions that were made in the CLOSED Session of the January 23, 2020 meeting of the Board.*

Moved by: M. Nogalo

Seconded by: M. Nadeau

Carried.

10.0 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: *That the January 23, 2020 meeting of the Algoma University Board of Governors be adjourned.*

Moved by: M. Pitcher

Seconded by: M. Nadeau

Carried.