



OPEN SESSION MINUTES

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

J. Belisle	M. Nogalo	A. Trudeau
P. Dupuis	M. Pitcher	A. Vezina (President)
S. Horn (Chancellor)	S. Schell	
R. Linklater	H. Stevenson	
M. Moraca	S. Taylor	

Regrets: Rev. L. Grawbarger, A. Lambert, M. Nadeau, E. Pitcher, P. Sewell, S. Shaver

Guests: R. Battisti, C. Fowler, K. Hudson, D. Marasco, D. Rogers, K. Rousseau, D. Vaughan

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Chairs Opening Remarks

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting including the media.

1.2 Declarations of Conflicts of Interest

None.

1.3 Consent Agenda

1.3a OPEN Agenda for meeting dates May 21, 2020

1.3b Written Reports from Board Committees and University Bodies **[Appendix 1]**:

Committee/ University Body	Chair	Report
Nom/Gov	M Pitcher	A. Minutes Feb 26, 2020
APC	T Kakapshe	B. Minutes Mar 4, 2020
APC	T Kakapshe	C. Minutes Apr 17, 2020

MOTION: *That all items listed under the date May 21, 2020 ‘Consent Agenda’ be approved as amended.*

Moved by: R. Linklater **Seconded by:** S. Schell **Carried.**

Amendments:

- The motion in item 2.0 of the Nominating and Governance Committee minutes from February 26, 2020 was changed to reflect the actual motion from the agenda.

2.0 REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT

2.1 President's Report (verbal)

A. VEZINA advised that, as part of her report, she would be inviting members of the Algoma University administration and staff to provide updates. She started by introducing Registrar, D. MARASCO, and Career Link Coordinator, D. VAUGHAN, to outline the new Algoma Connect Program that would hire and train Algoma University students to provide free math tutoring for grade 11 and 12 local students. This program is being offered in partnership with local SSM School Boards ADSB, HSCDSB and the provincial expert organization Mathematics Knowledge Network. The Board asked if there were considerations of indigenous worldviews woven into the tutoring and A. VEZINA advised that for the roll-out of this particular program there was not, the program was developed with a focus on provincial math curriculum gaps students may have as they prepared for University and that the expert organization they were working with was the Mathematics Knowledge Network. In terms of Indigenous Student Success and transition supports, D. MARASCO outlined the Summer Indigenous Institute available to grade 11 or 12 students. This program is a free month-long transition program offered in partnership with northern universities to help support transition to University. K. HUDSON updated the Board on the retention strategy. The targets have been surpassed that were put in place and the focus has been on domestic student enrolment for the Spring term. She also outlined the over 90% of student respondents indicated positive wellbeing and that 227 students were issued funds from the Student Emergency Fund to date. A. VEZINA concluded by indicating that while we've surpassed Spring term enrolment targets, there is still uncertainty about the Fall term given the COVID-19 pandemic and restrictions on travel.

3.0 PRESENTATIONS - None

4.0 BUSINESS ARISING - None

5.0 ITEMS FOR DECISION/DISCUSSION

5.1 Board of Governors Calendar Dates 2020-21 [Appendix 2]

M. Pitcher presented the 2020-21 Board and Committee calendar recommended by the Nominating and Governance Committee. He highlighted that in response to requests by Board members an additional one day professional development retreat was included in this year's calendar. This session would focus on governance fundamentals and the other would continue to focus on strategic planning.

MOTION: *To approve the Board of Governors calendar dates for 2020-21 as presented.*
Moved by: S. Taylor **Seconded by:** D. Nanang **Carried.**

6.0 NEW BUSINESS ITEMS - None

7.0 INFORMATION ITEMS - None

APPROVED MINUTES

8.0 MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION

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

9.0 APPROVALS OF MOTIONS MADE IN CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: *To approve the motions that were made in the CLOSED Session of the May 21, 2020 special meeting of the Board.*
Moved by: J. Belisle **Seconded by:** D. Nanang **Carried.**

10.0 ADJOURNMENT

The Chair invited the President to share her thoughts prior to adjournment. A. VEZINA commended the Finance Committee and administration team for their efforts on presenting the budget. She also reflected on the accomplishments over this past year of the various Board committees and thanked the Board for empowering the senior leadership at the university to move forward while assuming some of the inherent risks. The Chair also commented on the great effectiveness of the Board and its committees over the past year.

MOTION: *That the May 21, 2020 special meeting of the Board be adjourned.*
Moved by: M. Pitcher **Seconded by:** R. Linklater **Carried.**