

MINUTES

Present:	S. Schell (Chair), P. Quesnele (Secretary)		
	Y. Alphonse	S. Kousta	M. Pitcher
	R. Assiniwai	B. Lloyd	H. Stevenson
	J. Belisle	M. Moraca	S. Taylor
	M. Borowicz-Sibenik	J. Pastore	A. Vezina (President)
	P. Dupuis	E. Pitcher	
Regrets:	P. Sewell, M. Turco		
Guests:	R. Battisti, C. Fowler, D. Rogers, M. Wabano-McKay		

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 welcomed everyone to the Annual General Meeting and began with a moment of reflection for the 215 Indigenous children found in an unmarked burial site revealed at the Kamloops Residential School site in Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc; and the 751 unmarked graves at the site of the former Marieval Indian Residential School in the Cowessess First Nation. She shared the Board's commitment to supporting action on the Shingwauk site as led by the Children of Shingwauk Alumni Association.

1.2 Declarations of Conflicts of Interest

The Chair asked if there were any conflicts of interest, none were reported. Members were advised by the Secretary to the Board that there is no conflict of interest for members participating in the motions regarding member elections and appointments.

2.0 AGENDA

MOTION: *To approve the agenda as amended.*
Moved by: M. Moraca **Seconded by:** S. Taylor **Carried.**

Amendments: Minor changes the motions.

3.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: *To approve the minutes of the June 18, 2020 Annual General Meeting.*
Moved by: P. Dupuis **Seconded by:** M. Moraca **Carried.**

4.0 COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD

The Chair highlighted several achievements for the university recognized in the 2020-21 year including: recognition to the organizations and partners who had provided funding for major projects at the university; the installation of a second Chancellor; approval of a Campus Master Plan for the Sault Ste. Marie campus and the major renovations at the Brampton campus. She applauded the university for the significant efforts underway in the areas of equity, diversity and inclusion to combat racism and provide a safe, welcoming and inclusive environment for everyone. She spoke about the importance of Mukqua Waakaa'igan and her hope for it to position the university as a leader in helping to advance the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action and the work underway in cross-cultural teaching, learning and research. Further, she highlighted the significance of the recent announcement regarding the Algoma University Act which allows Algoma to move into Masters and PHD programming, removing all restrictions on the degrees and certificates that can be offered. Finally, the Chair thanked all members of the Algoma University community for their efforts over the past year and expressed pride in what is to come.

6.0 PRESIDENT AND VICE-CHANCELLOR: ANNUAL REPORT

A. Vezina began by providing an overview of the tremendous contributions of all members of the Algoma University community that led to the institution's success over the past year, particularly as it navigated successfully through the pandemic and many of the challenges that presented themselves throughout the year. She presented the June 2021 AGM President's Annual Report, outlining some of the high level achievements related to the five strategic priorities and signalling what would be coming next in the 2021-2022 academic year. She signaled an optimism in a face-to-face environment for the fall and expressed excitement about seeing the students, staff and faculty return to each of the three campuses.

6.0 ITEMS FOR DECISION

The Chair began by acknowledging the Board members who have finished their terms and thanked them for their services:

- Jessica Belisle (External Member)
- Yahaya Alphonse (Algoma University Students Union Representative)
- Rainbow Assiniwai (Shingwauk Anishinaabe Students' Association Representative)
- Brad Lloyd (Algoma University Support Staff Representative)
- Mike Nadeau (Order in Council / External Representative)

6.1 Election of Board Members from Internal Groups [Appx. 2]

E. Pitcher outlined the nominations.

MOTION: *To elect Rebekah Gwynn as AUSU representative of the Board of Governors for a one-year term from July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022.*

Moved by: M. Pitcher

Seconded by: J. Pastore

Carried.

MOTION: *To elect Kristen Gauthier as SASA representative of the Board of Governors for a one-year term from July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022.*
Moved by: E. Pitcher **Seconded by:** B. Lloyd **Carried.**

MOTION: *To elect Paul Dupuis as Senate representative of the Board of Governors for a three-year term from July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2024.*
Moved by: S. Taylor **Seconded by:** J. Pastore **Carried.**

MOTION: *To elect Rose Linklater as Algoma University Support Staff (AUSS) representative of the Board of Governors for the remainder of the term previously being served by Brad Lloyd, being June 25, 2021 to June 30, 2023 as per Section III, Article 12 of the by-laws.*
Moved by: S. Taylor **Seconded by:** E. Pitcher **Carried.**

6.2 Appointment of Officers: Chair, Vice-Chair, & Secretary

E. Pitcher outlined the appointment of officers as per the by-laws.

MOTION: *To appoint Shelley Schell as Chair of the Algoma University Board of Governors from July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022.*
Moved by: J. Belisle **Seconded by:** S. Taylor **Carried.**

MOTION: *To appoint Mike Moraca as Vice-Chair of the Algoma University Board of Governors from July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022.*
Moved by: M. Pitcher **Seconded by:** S. Taylor **Carried.**

MOTION: *To appoint Asima Vezina as Secretary of the Algoma University Board of Governors from July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022.*
Moved by: J. Pastore **Seconded by:** B. Lloyd **Carried.**

6.3 Appointment of Signing Officers of the Corporation

E. Pitcher outlined the appointment of signing officers as per the by-laws.

MOTION: *To recommend the appointment of the following Officers of the Corporation with signing authority in accordance with corporate financial policies from July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022:*

- *Shelley Schell, Chair (as per by-laws)*
- *Mike Moraca, Vice-Chair (as per by-laws)*
- *Asima Vezina, President & Vice-Chancellor*
- *Robert Battisti, Vice-President Finance and Operations*

Moved by: S. Taylor **Seconded by:** M. Pitcher **Carried.**

6.4 Election of Committee Chairs

The Chair outlined the election of committee Chairs.

MOTION: *To elect Shannon Taylor as Chair of the Finance Committee from July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022.*
Moved by: M. Moraca **Seconded by:** E. Pitcher **Carried.**

MOTION: *To elect Elaine Pitcher as Chair of the Nominating and Governance Committee from July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022.*

Moved by: S. Taylor

Seconded by: P. Dupuis

Carried.

6.5 Election of Board Member for Senate

MOTION: *To elect Hugh Stevenson as the Board of Governors representative on the Algoma University Senate for the 2021-22 Senate year from July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022.*

Moved by: E. Pitcher

Seconded by: S. Taylor

Carried.

6.6 Election of Committee Members

The Chair outlined the Nominating and Governance Committee's recommendations for committee membership.

MOTION: *To elect members to the following Board of Governors committees from July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022:*

Committee	Name(s)
Board Executive Committee	<i>Elaine Pitcher Shannon Taylor Paul Dupuis</i>
Board Finance Committee	<i>Shelley Schell Paul Dupuis Mark Pitcher Jake Pastore Shannon Taylor</i>
Nominating & Governance Committee	<i>Melanie Borowicz-Sibenik Mike Moraca Elaine Pitcher Shelley Schell Sonja Kosuta</i>
Anishinaabe People's Council	<i>Chair's Designate: Shannon Taylor</i>
Joint Working Group	<i>Chair's Designate: Mike Moraca</i>

Moved by: E. Pitcher

Seconded by: S. Taylor

Carried.

6.8 APC Terms of Reference Amendments [Appx. 3]

MOTION: *That the Board of Governors approve the revisions to Section 2 of Appendix D: The Anishinaabe Peoples' Council Terms of Reference within the By-Laws as recommended by the Nominating and Governance Committee.*

Moved by: H. Stevenson

Seconded by: E. Pitcher

Carried.

6.9 Ratification

MOTION: *That the Board of Governors approve the ratification of all deeds, contracts, bylaws, proceedings, appointments, elections and payments enacted by the Governors since the last annual meeting of 18 of June 2020.*

Moved by: M. Pitcher

Seconded by: B. Lloyd

Carried.

7.0 ADJOURNMENT

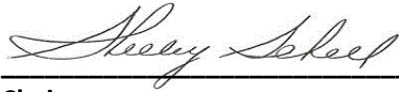
MOTION: *That the Annual General Meeting of the Algoma University Board of Governors for June 24, 2021 stand adjourned.*

Moved by: J. Belisle

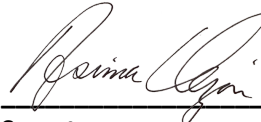
Seconded by: S. Taylor

Carried.

SIGNATURES



Chair



Secretary