



BOARD OF GOVERNORS – OPEN SESSION
Approved Minutes

Thursday, October 13, 2011
1:30 p.m. in W646

Present: B. Turner (Chair), J. Berezan, B. Brown, A. Escher, P. Forrest, E. Good Striker, G. Jong, E. Karbashewski, B. Kunz, K. Lewis, M. Mahon, S. McClellan (via phone), H. MacDonald, D. McArthur, Z. Moline, K. Nugent, M. Smith, J. Varzari, P. Walz, T. Waters, K. Willms

Other: J. Black (recording secretary), L. Corbiere, A. Hakin, C. Horbachewski, N. Walker, D. Weeks, R. Westlund

B. Turner introduced and welcomed Larry Pollock, President and CEO of Canadian Western Bank who is our guest speaker at the Board of Governors Speaker Series dinner that evening. Larry Pollock will be touring campus and lecturing to a management class prior to dinner that evening.

1. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1.1. Approval of the October 13, 2011 Open Agenda
- 1.2. Approval of the June 23, 2011 Open Minutes

MOTION: opn.2011.10.01

Jong/Berezan

That the Board of Governors approve the October 13, 2011 Consent Agenda with the addition 4.4 Research Centres and Institutes- Policy Revisions, and there were a few people present that need to be added to the minutes.

Motion: Carried

2. BOARD CHAIR REMARKS

B. Turner commented on the great article in the Legend regarding K. Lewis. He provided an update on activities he attended since the last Board meeting. He was able to be at an Energy Conference in PEI representing Canada School of Energy and Environment (CSEE). August 24th in Edmonton he attended a tribute to Ed Stelmach, and on October 7th the tribute to Rick Casson in Lethbridge with the Prime Minister in attendance.

3. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

M. Mahon reported on recent activities.

- iGEM – Congratulations to HJ Wieden and his group of undergraduate and graduate students as they move onto the international competition at MIT next month. At regionals they competed against 60 teams and placed within the top four to move onto the international competition at MIT.
- Student Engagement Activities - Fundraiser for 100 classrooms for Afghanistan, Jail and Bail, Relay for Life, also during the New Student Orientation for first time also had students collaborate with habitat for humanity to help build a home. These are some examples that help demonstrate our continued commitment to community.
- Participated in a course in July for new presidents in Harvard. A large take home message was in regards to future scaping. As a result the annual Fiat Lux Address was inaugurated a couple of weeks ago, and it on is available on the President's website to view. Key themes were about defining preferred future, creating expectations and having commitment to moving forward with intention. Key initiatives that are underway were identified and the First Nations, Metis and Inuit initiative involving Leroy Little Bear, serving as special advisor to the President and Jane O'Dea and Roy Weasel Fat was introduced. Also mentioned that there will be an annual report to the community as well and introduced monthly office hours and monthly lunches and departmental receptions at Mike and Maureen's house to stay engaged with the community.
- Enrolment – 8,457 with 515 being graduate students.
- New funding announcements - \$5.6 million from government to finish the Sport and Wellness Facility, this will result in a new sport rehabilitation centre. \$1 million for digital audio arts in continued funding. Also \$2.3 million for planning for the new Science Building which is very exciting.
- Highlighted the development of the Alliance of Canadian Comprehensive Research Universities. D. Weeks was instrumental in the development and in inviting 25 universities to Ottawa of which 19 universities attended this inaugural meeting. This is a very significant initiative and allows the smaller comprehensive universities an opportunity to discuss their challenges.
- University Master Plan project is now underway and M. Mahon attended a World Café where input was received from individuals across campus. This is great opportunity to examine our campus especially in terms of thinking ahead 50-100 years out and more immediate for in terms of the science building.
- We are pleased to have Greg Weadick return as the Minister of Advanced Education and Technology. Evan Berger from Ft. Macleod is now Minister of Agriculture and Rural

Development, and is also a good supporter of our university. Diana McQueen is now the Minister of Environment and Water. Bill Werry replaces Annette Trimbee as Deputy Minister of Advanced Education and Technology. Bill Werry is an alumnus of M. Mahon's former faculty at the UofA.

4. ITEMS FOR ACTION

4.1. University Alumni Ring

MOTION: opn.2011.10.02

Forrest/Moline

That the Board of Governors approve the University of Lethbridge Alumni Fiat Lux Ring that will be available only to University of Lethbridge Alumni as defined in the University of Lethbridge Alumni Association Bylaws.

The Board of Governors approve that this Ring be adopted as the official Alumni Ring of the University of Lethbridge.

Motion: Carried

K. Lewis passed around the ring for viewing. In 2009 the Alumni Association was approached by the SU and a committee was formed to investigate the possibilities for developing a ring. This will be available for Spring 2012 Convocation. Tompkins Jewelry in town produced the ring and Eric Klempnauer did the design which is great as he graduates in the same Convocation where it will be made available. Each ring is numbered and the cost will be \$250 + GST.

4.2 Board Chair Succession Process – Revision

MOTION: opn.2011.10.03

Nugent/MacDonald

That the Board of Governors approve the amendment to the procedures for the appointment of a Board Chair by removing the reference to an in camera session within point 6 of the Board Chair Succession document.

Motion: Carried

The Executive Committee requested to revisit this issue as it indicated the recommendation was brought forth in an in camera session not just a closed session.

4.3 Board Chair Position Description – Revision

MOTION: opn.2011.10.04

Nugent/Escher

That the Board of Governors approve the modification of the Board Chair position description to match with the selection process identified within the approved Board Chair Succession document. Amendment to remove the wording “include” within the prior listing for 4.1 – 4.15 to correct grammar issue.

Motion: Carried

4.4 Research Centres and Institutes – Policy Revision

MOTION: opn.2011.10.05

Mahon/Walz

That the Board of Governors approve the modification to the Research Centres & Institutes Policy as outlined in the document handed out by Dr. Lesley Brown in the meeting.

Motion: Carried

D. Weeks indicated the importance of the policy in allowing us to move forward as a comprehensive university. In the implementation of the policy it is now too difficult to actually staff the committees, so the proposed wording makes it less restrictive. This still provides a significant level of expertise and also allows more individuals to serve. This was also considered and approved by GFC.

5. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

5.1. Sustainability

L. Corbiere provided a written report. There has been a slight transition within the chair role as L. Corbiere has taken over this position. The committee now has a SU representative – Zack Moline. A sub-committee interfaces with a professor Gary Weikum who is supervising an applied studies with students who are helping to do a scoping report and planning template for our institution.

6. VICE-PRESIDENT (ACADEMIC)

A. Hakin went through his report that was circulated electronically. A. Hakin was not supposed to be in attendance, as he is missing the national VP's conference in Ottawa because of the Air Canada strike.

7. VICE-PRESIDENT (FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION)

N. Walker emphasized the residence information within her report as we now have 50 beds in University Hall and 37 in Aperture Park. A tour of these facilities will be arranged for the Board.

8. VICE-PRESIDENT (RESEARCH)

In addition to D. Weeks' attached report, word was just received that the latest Canada Research Chair went to Susan McDaniel at the UofL. Discussion occurred around the importance of these chairs in increasing research capacity in Canada. It is a one million dollar investment in one person for five years and it is renewable.

9. VICE-PRESIDENT (ADVANCEMENT)

C. Horbachewski added that at the end of June they publically launched the Music in the Making campaign and the current achievement is \$350,000 with an ending goal of \$500,000.

10. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

There were no reports at this time.

11. CHANCELLOR'S REPORT

S. McClellan reminded everyone of the November 1st honorary degree nomination deadline. She presided over her first Senate meeting, the attendance was great and they were able to welcome all the new members. A reminder that Convocation is on Saturday at 10:00 a.m., there are two honorary degree recipients and there will be an alumni celebration following convocation to honour both recipients and the Alumnus of the Year. A dinner is scheduled for November 8th at the UofL to recognize all retiring Senate members.

12. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: opn.2011.10.06

Walz/Nugent

That the Board of Governors open session meeting of October 13, 2011 be adjourned.

Motion: Carried