



**BOARD OF GOVERNORS – OPEN SESSION**  
**Approved Minutes**

**Thursday, February 15, 2018**  
**1:00 p.m., W646**

- Present:** K. Schlachter (Chair), R. Adkin, H. Babb, B. Cummins, J. Forrest (phone), M. Gabriel, M. Gray, K. Gunn, G. Knitel, H. Labuhn, M. Mahon, R. Masson, J. Merkl, J. Nugent, T. Pace-Crosschild, R. Scrimshaw, S. Stocker, B. Tait, J. Varzari (phone), T. Whitehead
- Regrets:** H. MacDonald
- Other:** L. Corbiere, J. Gallais, A. Hakin, C. Horbachewski, E. Okine, S. Olson, N. Walker, R. Westlund

*Oki, ni kso koo wa wa: Welcome to all our relatives and friends.*

Prior to the start of the Open Session, a presentation was given by K. Massey on cannabis legislation.

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**1. CONSENT AGENDA**  
**APPROVAL**

- 1.1. Approval of the February 15, 2018 Open Agenda  
1.2. Approval of the December 18, 2017 Open Minutes

MOTION: opn.2018.02.01

Adkin/Scrimshaw

*That the Board of Governors approve the February 15, 2018 Consent Agenda.*

Motion: Carried

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**2. BOARD CHAIR REMARKS**

K. Schlachter reported on attending the Faculty of Fine Arts event Abbondanza, which was very well done.

**3. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS**

M. Mahon reported:

- Supports are being made available on campus to those affected by the recent passing of a professor with ties to the UofL, who was being held in an Iranian prison;
- Continuing to meet with government regarding funding models and compensation;
- Positive meeting with DM Corbould and Chief Scientist Wrona regarding Castle Mountain Provincial Park and our Castle Field Station;
- Universities Canada travel: UC Professional Program for Presidents, January 15/16 in Montreal, spoke at Yukon College and Yukon University at the end of January; UC

Presidents' Mission to Australia at the end of February regarding internationalization and indigenization;

- Fiat Lux Address on January 18<sup>th</sup> outlined what the next 50 years will look like at the University of Lethbridge, and is available on the President's website. Some elements from the address will be brought to the board for future consideration.
- Thanks to N. Walker and her assistant J. Grace for the very successful free student lunch yesterday in which over 1100 students were served by members of the executive offices;
- In conjunction with the Enmax Centre, the UofL will host Hockey Nationals March 14-17, 2019, which coincides with our national championship we won 25 years ago.

**4. CHANCELLOR'S REPORT**

Further to the report, J. Varzari added that she has been working to confirm our 2018 honorary degree recipients, of which she hopes to share with the Board at the next meeting. A reminder was given for Board members regarding the upcoming spring Convocation ceremonies May 31 and June 1, as well as the Chancellor's dinner on May 31.

**5. ITEMS FOR ACTION**

5.1. Compensation Committee Terms of Reference

MOTION: opn.2018.02.02

Forrest/Scrimshaw

*That the Board of Governors approve the Compensation Committee Terms of Reference, effective immediately.*

Motion: Carried

There were no questions or comments.

5.2. 2018-19 Interim Budget

MOTION: opn.2018.02.03

Labuhn/Tait

*That the Board of Governors approve the attached 2018-19 interim budget.*

Motion: Carried

There were no questions or comments.

**6. REPORTS**

6.1. Provost & Vice-President (Academic)

A. Hakin highlighted the Common Book Pilot Project, and initiative of the School of Liberal Education Advisory Committee.

6.2. Vice-President (Advancement)

C. Horbachewski highlighted the March 14 announcement of the leadership gift for our campaign, as well as the upcoming Donor Gala and Management Scholarship Dinner.

6.3. Vice-President (Finance & Administration)

N. Walker encouraged Board members to attend the quarterfinal men's basketball tournament, this weekend. There was a question regarding the timing of the provincial budget announcement, and it will likely be a few weeks following the Throne speech on March 8.

6.4. Vice-President (Research)

E. Okine highlighted the success of two of our researchers who have received grants totalling almost \$2 million through Canadian Institutes for Health Research's (CIHR) Project Grants competition.

6.5. Board Member Reports

M. Gabriel reported that after a year of transition, the University of Lethbridge Alumni Association will be meeting in March and will approve the terms of references of the restructured committees, which can start them moving forward.

On behalf of the Graduate Students' Association, B. Cummins invited Board members to attend the finals of the 3 Minute Thesis (3MT) on March 23, with a wine and cheese reception to follow. The Meeting of the Minds multidisciplinary conference will take place the following day, which showcases the amazing research taking place on our campus. The theme for this year's event is accessibility.

On behalf of the Students' Union, H. Babb gave an update on the on-going work in conjunction with other Alberta universities regarding the government mandated tuition freeze, and the importance of providing stability for students. The annual Student's Union election process has begun, and in-coming members will be introduced to the Board next meeting. It was also noted that the results of the universal bus pass referendum will be reported on at the April Board meeting.

**7. OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: opn.2018.02.04

Stocker/Babb

*That the Board of Governors Open Session meeting of February 15, 2018 be adjourned.*