



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

**Thursday, April 19, 2018**  
**1:00 p.m., W646**

- Present:** K. Schlachter (Chair), H. Babb, B. Cummins, J. Forrest, M. Gray, K. Gunn (phone), G. Knitel, H. Labuhn, H. MacDonald, M. Mahon, R. Masson, J. Merkl, J. Nugent, T. Pace-Crosschild, R. Scrimshaw, S. Stocker, J. Varzari, T. Whitehead
- Regrets:** R. Adkin, M. Gabriel, B. Tait
- Other:** 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 moment of silence was held for Brock Hirsche and Logan Boulet.

Recognition and thanks was given to R. Adkin, H. Babb, B. Cummins, J. Nugent, M. Gray, and R. Scrimshaw for their service to the Board.

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

- 1.1. Approval of the April 19, 2018 Open Agenda  
1.2. Approval of the February 15, 2018 Open Minutes

MOTION: opn.2018.04.01

Varzari/Scrimshaw

*That the Board of Governors approve the April 19, 2018 Consent Agenda.*

Motion: Carried

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**2. BOARD CHAIR REMARKS**

K. Schlachter reported on attending the Dhillon School of Business naming announcement as well as the Scholarship Dinner, he attended a meeting with the Minister in Edmonton, the Donor Gala, and the Canadian University Board Association conference in Victoria. The government has extended the application deadline for public member appointments, and we are awaiting a further update.

**3. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS**

M. Mahon reported:

- Congrats to our students on the Universal Bus Pass (UPass) success. This is very exciting, and ties in very strongly for our needs and aspirations to have a sustainable

and accessible campus. This piece plays into our work with parking, and over time we hope to see enhanced bus service;

- Many departments (Vice-President Finance and Administration's area in particular) have been spending a tremendous amount of time working through the operating budget since the provincial government released their budget. A couple of positives to highlight are the 2% increase to the base operating grant, as well as a commitment for continued mental health funding. The tuition freeze has been extended and we continue to wait to find out what our portion of the dollars allocated to backfill will be;
- Lots of on-going work related to Executive Compensation;
- Attended both funerals for Brock Hirsche and Logan Boulet. As a University we have reached out to support the families in as many ways as we can. This has been an hard time for the UofL community, especially Sport & Recreation Services and Pronghorn Athletics;
- Minister of Advanced Education will be on campus next week to provide and update to the community and tour the Destination Project;
- Travelled to Australia with Universities Canada just over a month ago, and met with Universities New Zealand and Universities UK to build relationships for future partnerships for students;
- Chaired last meeting with USports;
- Thanks to all those who have been involved in the naming announcements for the Dhillon School of Business;
- Donor Gala on March 21 was successful, and had a great turnout from community supporters as well as internal supporters;
- Long Service Awards took place on May 2 and it was a fun afternoon learning about the contributions of faculty and staff.

#### 4. **CHANCELLOR'S REPORT**

Further to the report, J. Varzari highlighted the recent announcement of Volunteer Award recipient for 2018 James Berezan, former member of the Board of Governors and Senate. Encouragement was given for members to attend the Chancellor's Dinner on Thursday, May 31.

Thanks was given to B. Cummins for the invitation to attend and help present awards at the Meeting of the Minds Conference. The research that the students are doing is amazing.

#### 5. **ITEMS FOR ACTION**

##### 5.1. Audit Committee Terms of Reference

MOTION: opn.2018.04.02

Forrest/Nugent

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

Motion: Carried

There were no questions or comments.

## 5.2. Committee Chair Terms of Reference

MOTION: opn.2018.04.03

Forrest/MacDonald

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

Motion: Carried

There were no questions or comments.

## 5.3. Board of Governors Research Chair Guidelines

MOTION: opn.2018.04.04

Masson/Babb

*That the Board of Governors approve the Board of Governors Research Chair Guidelines, effective immediately.*

Motion: Carried

There were no questions or comments.

## 5.4. Survey Policy

MOTION: opn.2018.04.05

Masson/Nugent

*That the Board of Governors approve the revised Survey Policy, effective immediately.*

Motion: Carried

There were no questions or comments.

## 5.5. Public Interest Disclosure Framework

MOTION: opn.2018.04.06

Masson/Forrest

*That the Board of Governors approve the revised Public Interest Disclosure Framework, effective immediately.*

Motion: Carried

There were questions regarding the employee definition in Item 3.6, as well as Item 4.4.4 and ‘internal’ investigation. N. Walker will look into these items, and for clarity editorially amend the framework.

#### 5.6.Procurement of Goods and Services Policy

MOTION: opn.2018.04.07

Labuhn/Knitel

*That the Board of Governors approve the Procurement of Goods and Services Policy, effective immediately.*

Motion: Carried

There were no questions or comments.

#### 5.7.Departmental Name Change

MOTION: opn.2018.04.08

Masson/Varzari

*That the Board of Governors approve the name change of the Department of Modern Languages to the Department of Modern Languages and Linguistics.*

Motion: Carried

There were no questions or comments.

## 6. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

### 6.1. Annual Presidential Review

R. Masson noted that a request will be sent to Board members, which will allow them to provide feedback on the President’s performance. Feedback will be given to the Board Chair and the deadline for submission is May 11.

## 7. REPORTS

### 7.1. Provost & Vice-President (Academic)

A. Hakin highlighted the 580 UofL students registered in UVolunteer, recording 7,275 hours of volunteer service.

There was a question regarding the AACSB Accreditation review visit recently, and A. Hakin reported that we are still awaiting news on approval.

### 7.2.Vice-President (Advancement)

C. Horbachewski had nothing further to report. There were no questions.

7.3. Vice-President (Finance & Administration)

Further to the report, N. Walker noted that more and more of our student athletes are being named Academic All-Canadians (maintaining a minimum 80% average), which is a result of Pronghorn Athletics moving to a model of excellence. She also noted the linkage between the University and many of the Top 40 Under 40 recipients.

7.4. Vice-President (Research)

E. Okine highlighted the Campus Alberta Innovates Program (CAIP) Showcase held on campus at the end of March. Congratulations was given to B. Cummins and the Graduate Students' Association on a successful Meeting of the Minds Conference.

7.5. Board Member Reports

On behalf of the Graduate Students' Association, B. Cummins reported that Iso Ogumbor will be the incoming president for the GSA, negotiations are on-going, and he highlighted the successes of the Meeting of the Minds Conference.

On behalf of the Students' Union, H. Babb reported that the SU Executive is working through transition with the incoming council members, on-going travel with student advocacy groups, and, along with the Registrar's Office, working on a student satisfaction survey related to the fall break. Thanks was given to all those involved to the UPass initiative, and eventual approval by the student body.

**8. OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no other business.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION: opn.2018.04.09

Varzari/Nugent

*That the Board of Governors Open Session meeting of April 19, 2018 be adjourned.*