THE GEORGE BROWN COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY

BOARD OF GOVERNORS PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES

December 7, 2022 230 Richmond St. E & VIA MS TEAMS 5:30 P.M.

Present: Kevin Costante, Chair

Saeideh Fard Roger Grochmal Shivam Singh Bruce Choy Gervan Fearon Peter Koutsokeris Jon Callegher Rob Gilmour Kizzy Rodney

via Teams: Marnie MacDougall

Nancy Prenevost

Guests: Shannon Hynes

Rudi Fischbacher Cory Ross

Janene Christiansen Leslie Quinlan Krista Holmes Fay Lim-Lambie Michelle McCollum Michael Herrera Joe Cressy Ian Austin

Luigi Ferrara Cindy Gouveia Jennifer Grant Giselle Basanta Eileen De Courcy

Guests via Teams: Susan Toews

Audrey Rochette

lan Wigglesworth Nerys Rau Adel Esayed Susan Bowrah

Regrets: Andrea Elliott

Adrienne Batra

Andy Jasuja

Omo Akintan

Secretary of the

Board:

Emily Bain

Minutes: Toni Young

1.0 Welcome and Chair's Report

The Chair welcomed all and brought the meeting to order.

A note of appreciation and thanks was extended to Dr. Krista Holmes for leading governors on the tour of the FIRSt Studio.

The Chair expressed appreciation for the support and service of all board members, and to President Fearon for his leadership and collaborative approach. The Chair noted the many efforts put forth by staff

across the College. The Chair extended season's greetings to all members and their respective families.

Chair Costante provided a land territory acknowledgement.

No one declared having any conflict of interest.

No issue arising.

2.0 Approval of the Agenda and Consent Agenda

The agenda and consent agenda were reviewed with no issues arising.

MOTION BGPUB-2023-03-01

THAT the Board of Governors approves the agenda for the meeting held on October 19,2022.

Moved: K. Rodney Seconded: B. Choy CARRIED

MOTION BGPUB-2023-03-02

THAT the Board of Governors approves the Consent Agenda for the meeting held on December 7, 2022, which includes the following items:

- 2.2 Approval of Wealth Management GBC Certificate
- 2.3 Approval of non-voting community member appointments to the Finance and Property Committee (Millan Mulraine & Bhavna Duggal)

Moved: R. Grochmal Seconded: B. Choy CARRIED

3.0 Approval of Past Minutes

The draft minutes were reviewed with no issues arising.

MOTION BGPUB-2023-03-03

THAT the Board approves the minutes of the public meeting on October 19, 2022.

Moved: J. Callegher Seconded: K. Rodney CARRIED

4.0 President's Report

President's Report to the Board was distributed in advance of the meeting. President Gervan Fearon highlighted the following items:

Former College President Anne Sado received the Minister's Lifetime Achievement award at the Higher Education Summit in November. This award is a testament of the outstanding milestones and accomplishments achieved during Ms. Sado's tenure at George Brown College. It is also a huge accomplishment and honour for the College.

- An event to celebrate the Premier's Award Nominees will be held tomorrow at the Chef's House.
- A reminder of the strategic plan priorities approved in June. President Fearon acknowledged continued efforts on the strategic plan put forth by staff.

There being no issues arising, the President's report was concluded.

5.0 Standing Committee Reports

Finance and Property Committee and Audit Committee

Committee Chair Saeideh Fard highlighted the following items:

- The Finance and Property Committee met on Tuesday, November 29, 2022, and the draft minutes are included in the Board package.
- Main topics of discussion included:
 - o The annual audit plan
 - The planning/budget cycle is currently on track for meeting its objectives.
 - Review of the September financial statements projecting \$6.5M surplus.

Academic and Student Affairs Committee

Committee Chair Roger Grochmal highlighted the following items:

- Meeting held in November and the draft minutes are included in the Board package.
- The ASA work plan was finalized with flexibility incorporated.
- The Accelerated Program Approval process will look at cluster of programs, not just singular programs. The process entails ideation stage, moving to the concept stage. Each program will go through a rigorous process. A presentation will be made to the Academic and Student Affairs Committee in March.

There being no issues arising, the committee reports were concluded.

6.0 GBC Commercialization Mandate and Policy

Provost, Dr. Cory Ross and AVP, Research and Innovation, Dr. Krista Holmes, provided an overview of the Commercialization Policy. The policy is mandated by the Ministry of Colleges and Universities with the intent to promote the generation, protection, and commercialization of intellectual property on campus.

Extensive consultation on the policy was completed with stakeholders across the College, legal counsel, and the College's Academic Union.

A presentation was made to the Academic and Student Affairs Committee in November 2022, where it was endorsed and recommended to the Board.

The new Commercialization Policy impacts the College's Intellectual Policy, which is under review. The recommendation to the Board was to make interim amendments to the Intellectual Property Policy, until the review is complete, to ensure alignment between the two policies.

MOTION BGPUB-2023-03-04

THAT the Board approves the Commercialization Policy as presented.

Moved: S. Fard Seconded: B. Choy CARRIED

MOTION BGPUB-2023-03-05

THAT the Board approves amending GBC's existing Intellectual Property Policy by striking sections 8.2 and 8.3 and replacing them with the newly approved Commercialization Policy as an interim measure until a new Intellectual Property Policy is drafted and approved by the Board of Governors.

Moved: S. Fard Seconded: B. Choy CARRIED

7.0 Focus on Strategic Priorities – Financial Sustainability

Michael Herrera, Chief Financial Officer, provided an update on Strategic Plan 2026 Priority 6, Financial Sustainability.

This Priority focuses on the creation of a plan that looks at where the College is currently, potential challenges and external factors such as provincial government policy, tuition fees, comparison with competitors, program offerings, in addition to space and technology needs, and what resources will be required to achieve the other five priorities.

The College is actively developing a framework for integrated planning, including examining enrolment and Human Resources together over the long term. All these factors are being grounded in institutional policies.

The Chair requested a risk mitigation and assessment session at a future board meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned to the private session.