

**THE GEORGE BROWN COLLEGE
OF APPLIED ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY**

**BOARD OF GOVERNORS
PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES**

**DECEMBER 12, 2018
290 ADELAIDE ST EAST, TORONTO
5:30 P.M.**

Present:	Paul Clifford Kevin Costante Andrea Elliott Mark Guslits Gerard Hayes	Kevin King Nureisse Khan (<i>via teleconference</i>) Kevin King Joshua Li Bob Richardson	Anne Sado Martha Tory Steve Upton Mike Williams
Guests:	Cory Ross Olga Gonzales Rick Huijbregts Leslie Gallagher (The Dialog)	Chris McGrath Neal Lillioff Leslie Quinlan Matthew Green (The Dialog)	Paul Ruppert Karen Thomson
Regrets:	Julia Deans Wing Ki Chan	Pradeep Sood	Laurel Walzak
Minutes:	Diane Fantinato		

1.0 Chair's Report

The Chair brought the meeting to order.

One appointment was brought forward for Board approval – Andrea Elliott Founder, R2 Retail Resources. A biography was distributed prior to the meeting.

MOTION 2018-02-01

THAT the Board of Governors approves the appointment of Andrea Elliott to the George Brown College Board of Governors for a three-year term effective December 12, 2018.

Moved: M. Tory Seconded: M. Guslits CARRIED

The Executive Committee approved the prospective candidate - as presented at the October private session of the Board - as the next chancellor of the college for a three year term. Plans are underway for a spring installation.

The Chair confirmed the final board meeting of the year has been moved to Thursday, May 30 with a start time of 4:30p.m. The meeting will be followed by the Honorary Recipient's Dinner.

The Chair advised that he attended the board chair and vice-chair meeting which took place during the Higher Education Summit. The discussions were very informative and

Linda Franklin, CEO of College's Ontario, gave an excellent presentation on the state of play regarding the new provincial government. Additional information will be provided in the private session.

A regular process of in-camera sessions will be implemented going forward following the private session of the board. Scheduling regular in-camera board sessions are an important principle of good governance.

2.0 Consent Agenda

MOTION 2018-02-02

That the Board of Governors approves the Consent Agenda for the meeting held on December 12, 2018 which includes the following items:

- **Approval of the Draft Board of Governor Minutes – October 10, 2018**

Moved: M. Tory Seconded: K. Costante CARRIED

3.0 (Did You Know Presentation) startGBC and Entrepreneurship

Neal Lilliot, Manager for startGBC, was introduced. He noted startGBC is a virtual hub started in 2014 providing support and mentorship for promising entrepreneurs. It connects students, alumni and the community with resources, programs, and support to promote a culture of entrepreneurship in and outside of the college. Data shows that entrepreneurship will play a huge role in our economy. In September, a co-working space within the Office of Research and Innovation located at the Waterfront was officially opened. Here, students and graduates can develop their business plans and collaborate with faculty, staff and industry partners. Programming and events offered include workshops, Why Not Me speaker series, a discovery summer camp (pilot program), and participation in global entrepreneurship week and global women's entrepreneurship week. External resources include MaRs, Enterprise Toronto, futurpreneur, Artscape, and CPA Canada.

Several board members showed interest in supporting the hub and playing a larger role. As well, it was noted that it should look across the college for collaboration with other hubs e.g. Social Innovation and Enactus.

4.0 Financial Report

M. Tory provided a brief financial report noting the forecast suggests a surplus. The projected surplus affords the college flexibility to fund capital projects. Increased international tuition fees and other revenues have contributed to the healthy surplus. The October 2018 statements will be submitted to the Ministry.

MOTION 2018-02-03

THAT the Board of Governors approves the Statement of Operations and the Statement of Changes in Net Assets as the College's interim report for the seven months ended October 31, 2018 be submitted to the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities in accordance with the Ministry's Business Plan Operating Procedures.

Moved: M. Tory Seconded: J. Li CARRIED

5.0 2018 Board Evaluation Survey Results

A. Sado reported on the results of the Board Evaluation survey. The results of each section were presented, along with respective action items for improvement and potential opportunities.

The Chair advised he will reach out to the members for any further suggestions or comments.

6.0 College Ontario Report

Highlights from the last College's Ontario Committee of President's (CoP) meeting were reviewed, including:

- **Free Speech Policy** – Information was provided in advance of the meeting. It was noted that the policy will be in place by January 2019.
- **Stand-Alone Nursing Degrees** – A summary of recent discussions with the provincial government about a proposal to allow colleges to offer stand-alone nursing degrees was provided. The issue dates back to a provincial regulatory change from 2000 that required registered nurses to obtain a bachelor of arts degree from a university. Colleges that wanted to continue delivering nursing programs had to enter into joint-program partnerships with universities. In recent years, Ontario's colleges have maintained they should have the option to offer their own stand-alone nursing degrees as many already deliver the majority of the curriculum in the joint programs and some deliver 100 per cent of the curriculum. The system will continue to advocate to the provincial government.
- **Partnerships with Private Career Colleges** – The evolution of these partnerships (non-GTA colleges competing in the GTA) is being reviewed as input to policy changes the government may introduce.

7.0 President's Report

A. Sado forwarded her report to the members prior to the meeting. Highlights included Enrollment, Fundraising, Student/Staff Success, Events, Conferences, Awards and Policy on Free Speech.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned to a Private Session.