

**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.**

<b>Present:</b>	Kevin Costante, Chair Saeideh Fard Roger Grochmal Shivam Singh	Bruce Choy Gervan Fearon Peter Koutsokeris	Jon Callegher Rob Gilmour Kizzy Rodney
<b>via Teams:</b>	Marnie MacDougall	Nancy Prenevost	
<b>Guests:</b>	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
<b>Guests via Teams:</b>	Susan Toews Audrey Rochette	Ian Wigglesworth Nerys Rau	Adel Esayed Susan Bowrah
<b>Regrets:</b>	Andrea Elliott Adrienne Batra	Andy Jasuja	Omo Akintan
<b>Secretary of the Board:</b>	Emily Bain		
<b>Minutes:</b>	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:
  - 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.

