

**BOARD OF GOVERNORS
OPEN MEETING MINUTES
April 28, 2015, 1:00 pm
Royal Oak Boardroom, Burnaby Campus**



Board of Governors Present: Adam Pion (Chair); Emery Biggar; Jenny Chen; Neil Cox; Jack Davidson; Tejinder Grewal; Herb Silber; Dylan Smith; Laurie Sterritt; MJ Whitemarsh; Cathy Young

Regrets: Kitty Chan

Ex Officio: Kathy Kinloch

Staff: Bill Dow; Lorcan O'Melinn; Joanne Schaap

Guests: Raewyn Brewer, Corporate Secretary (WATSON), Tyra Bermudez

Chair A Pion called the meeting to order at 1:02 pm.

1. Adopt Agenda

Distributed material: BCIT Board of Governors Open Meeting Agenda April 28, 2015

Chair Pion referred the meeting to the distributed agenda and noted that Item 7.1 would be deferred to a later date.

IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED

That the BCIT Board of Governors approve the draft Agenda for the Board of Governors Open Meeting scheduled April 28, 2015, as amended.

**CARRIED
(B2015-04-28/01)**

1a) Summary of Motions

Distributed material: Board of Governors Meeting April 28, 2015 Summary of Motions – Open Session

Chair Pion referred the meeting to the distributed material provided for information.

2. Adopt Minutes

2.1 March 5, 2015

Distributed material: Draft Minutes of the Board of Governors Open Meeting Minutes held March 5, 2015

IT WAS MOVED AND SECONDED

That the BCIT Board of Governors approve as presented the March 5, 2015 Board of Governors Open Meeting Minutes.

**CARRIED
(B2015-04-28/02)**

2.2 Action Items Chart

Distributed material: Board of Governors Meeting Outstanding Action Items

Chair Pion referred the meeting to the distributed action item chart provided for information.

3. Report from the Chair

Chair Pion began by congratulating D. Smith on his re-election as President of the Student Association. He also congratulated K. Kinloch on her appointment to two external bodies (the BC Business Council Long-Range Planning Committee and the Canadian Business/ Higher Education Roundtable) and being named one of the top 50 influential women in business by BC Business magazine.

Chair Pion also expressed his appreciation and thanks to those recognized at BCIT's Staff Service and Retirement dinner on April 27, 2015.

4. Report from the President

4.1 Institute Report

Distributed material: BCIT Institute Report April 2015

K. Kinloch referred the meeting to the distributed Institute Report.

4.2 President's Activities

K. Kinloch reviewed some of the external activities she had been involved in over the past month, including welcoming Hon. Pierre Poilievre, Minister of Employment and Social Development to the Burnaby campus; speaking at the West Coast Women in Innovation Forum at the invitation of the US Consul General; adjudicating the nominees for the Premier's Innovation and Excellence Awards for the BC Public Service; and attending a reception (organized by Asia Pacific Foundation) and dinner (organized by Prime Minister's office) for Indian Prime Minister, Narendra Modi.

5. BCIT Student Association

5.1 Update on Strategic Plan; Current Milestones and Activities

Distributed material: Information Note re BCITSA Update of Strategic Plan, including current milestones and activities

Tabled: BCIT Student Association 2013-2014 Annual Report – Reinventing Spaces

T. Bermudez, VP External, BCIT Student Association provided an overview of the key initiatives undertaken by the BCITSA in the past year. She noted that the BCITSA held a referendum in late March, which passed by a narrow margin (797 for and 793 against). With the passing of this referendum, the BCITSA intends to expand student experience at BCIT through the creation of the Development and Entrepreneurial Centre, renovations of the Pub, additional internal and external advocacy resources, and greater student representation at the satellite campuses. T. Bermudez also provided a brief overview of recent conversations held with Minister Wilkinson and Minister Yamamoto on key issues such as: deferred maintenance and budget allocation, directed studies and applied research, and the synchronicity between BCIT and federal and provincial jobs initiatives.

The Board expressed strong support for integration between BCIT and the BCITSA, and thanked T. Bermudez for her excellent work.

6. BCIT 50th Anniversary

6.1 Update on BCIT's 50th Anniversary Events and Projects

Distributed material: Information Note re Update on BCIT's 50th Anniversary Events and Projects

C. Clement, Senior Director, Special Projects, supplemented the briefing note with a visual presentation that highlighted some of the key initiatives undertaken during the anniversary year, including "Celebrating the Present", "Colour Your Campus", the House Post, and the Capstone Event to be held on October 29th,

2015. She commended the schools, staff, faculty and students on their engagement with the initiatives. The Board thanked C. Clement for her tremendous work in terms of brand awareness and the media campaign.

7. Education Council

7.1 Item Deferred to a later date

7.2 Education Council Update

Distributed material: Information Update regarding Education Council Update

R. Plett, Chair Education Council reviewed the distributed materials.

8. Next Meeting

The next Board of Governors meeting was scheduled for 21 May 2015.

9. Questions

There were no additional questions.

10. Conclusion

The Board of Governors Open Meeting concluded at 2:15 pm.

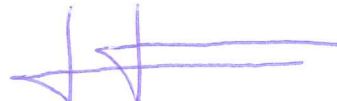
11. Information Items

The following items were distributed for information:

- Association of Governing Board Conference Package
- Correspondence: Letter to Chair from A. Wilkinson dated March 16, 2015
- List of Upcoming Events: Aboriginal Convocation Dinner June 10, 2015

This is a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the BCIT Board of Directors Open Meeting held **28 April 2015** as approved by the Board of Governors on **21 May 2015** and incorporates any and all corrections made at the time of adoption.



Adam Pion, Chair

Corporate Secretary