

MEETING AGENDA

BCIT BOARD OF GOVERNORS – OPEN

Tuesday February 25, 2025

- **Open Meeting begins:** 2:15 to 2:50 p.m.
- **Join the meeting;** Mtg ID: 274 077 166 249; Passcode: 6Ct7YQ7s
- Royal Oak Boardroom - SE40-140, 4551 Wayburne Drive, Burnaby

Board:

Mike Bonshor, Chair
 Don Matthew, Vice Chair
 Corry Anderson-Fennell
 Leah Ballantyne
 Catherine Boivie
 Bobby Davidson
 Bob Enns
 Noor Esmail
 Tamara Pongracz
 Stepan Vdovine
 Jimmy Wang
 Claire Wang

In Attendance:

Raimonda De Zen, Dir. Enterprise Risk & Internal Audit
 Jennifer Figner, Provost & VP, Academic
 Chris Hudson, VP, People, Culture & Inclusion
 Trish Pekeles, CFO & VP, Administration
 Cynthia Petrie, VP, External
 Barbara Kader, EA, Governance

Regrets:

Carla Reid, Board Member

Ex Officio:

Jeffrey Zabudsky, President
 Eric Fry, Education Council Chair

	Item		Presenter	Page
1.	Board In Camera Session	-	-	-
2.	Call to Order and Introductory Remarks <i>BCIT acknowledges that its campuses are located on unceded Indigenous land belonging to the Coast Salish Peoples, including the territories of the xʷməθkʷəy̅əm (Musqueam), Səlilwətaʔ/Səlilwiltulh (Tsleil-Waututh) and Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) Nations</i>	2:15	Chair	
3.	Declaration of Conflict of Interest	2:17	Chair	
4.	Approval of Agenda/Consent Agenda <i>(subject to request for discussion)</i> 4.1 Adopt Agenda 4.2 Minutes December 4, 2024 4.3 Education Council Report 4.4 Institute Report 4.5 2026 Board and Committee Meeting Dates 4.6 Student Association President's Report 4.7 Student Representative's Report MOTION: THAT the Board of Governors approve the Agenda/Consent Agenda for the Open Board of Governors meeting held on February 25, 2025.	2:20	Chair	
5.	Board Chair's Comments	2:25	Chair	
6.	President's Report	2:35	J. Zabudsky	

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7.	<p>Academic 7.1 Program Cancellations: Associate Certificate in Applied Computer Applications; Associate Certificate in Web Technologies; Certificate in Web Technologies</p> <p>MOTION: THAT the Board of Governors approve program cancellations: Associate Certificate in Applied Computer Applications; Associate Certificate in Web Technologies; Certificate in Web Technologies</p>	2:45	E. Fry	
8.	<p>Policy 8.1 Animal Care: Ethical Use of Animals in Research and Teaching - Policy #6505 and Procedure #6505-PR1</p> <p>MOTION: THAT the Board of Governors approve Animal Care: Ethical Use of Animals in Research and Teaching - Policy #6505, and Procedure #6505-PR-1.</p>	2:50	C. Anderson-Fennell / J. Figner	
9.	<p>Next Meeting and Conclusion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> April 1, 2025 	2:50	-	

MEETING MINUTES

BCIT BOARD OF GOVERNORS - OPEN

Tuesday February 25, 2025, 2:15 to 2:45 p.m.

Board:

Mike Bonshor, Chair
 Don Matthew, Vice Chair (*virtual*)
 Leah Ballantyne (*virtual*)
 Corry Anderson-Fennell
 Catherine Boivie
 Bobby Davidson
 Noor Esmail
 Tamara Pongracz
 Stepan Vdovine
 Jimmy Wang
 Claire Wang

In Attendance:

Raimonda De Zen, Dir. Enterprise Risk & Internal Audit (*virtual*)
 Danica Djurkovic, Assoc. VP, Capital Planning & Facilities
 Jennifer Figner, Provost & VP, Academic
 Chris Hudson, VP, People, Culture & Inclusion
 Trish Pেকেles, CFO & VP, Administration
 Cynthia Petrie, VP, External
 Barbara Kader, EA, Governance

Regrets:

Bob Enns, Board Member
 Carla Reid, Board Member

Ex Officio:

Jeffrey Zabudsky, President
 Eric Fry, Education Council Chair

A quorum was present.

1.0 Indigenous 101 Workshop (*for the Board of Governors and Executive*) & Call to Order and Introductory Remarks 2.0

The Chair acknowledged that BCIT campuses are located on unceded Indigenous land belonging to the Coast Salish Peoples, including the territories of the xʷməθkwəy̓əm (Musqueam), Səlilwətaʔ/Selilwitulh (Tsleil-Waututh) and Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) Nations.

Ms. Wilson provided a verbal report on Indigenous relations and reconciliation and how BCIT has played a significant role for Indigenous students in BC.

3.0 Declaration of Conflict of Interest *Distributed material: Information Note*

No declarations were received.

4.0 Approval of Agenda/Consent Agenda

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED THAT the Board of Governors approve the Agenda/Consent Agenda for the Open Board of Governors meeting held on February 25, 2025.

- 4.1 Adopt Agenda**
Distributed material: Agenda
- 4.2 Minutes December 4, 2024**
Distributed material: Meeting Minutes
- 4.3 Education Council Report**
Distributed material: Information Note
- 4.4 Institute Report**
Distributed material: Information Note
- 4.5 Student Association President's Report**
Distributed material: Information Note

The SA President reported on events including *Recharge* (games, arts & crafts and social), and *Thrive* (a SA information session for student services), announced that Carol Newman, is the new director of student services. It was reported that the SA bylaws are being reviewed as well as expenditures from within the SA governing body. Elections are underway.

- 4.6 Student Representative's Report**
Distributed material: Information Note
- 4.7 2026 Board and Committee Meeting Dates**
Distributed material: Schedule

5.0 Board Chair's Comments

The Board Chair reminded everyone to be mindful of the ongoing changes to federal policy which continue to affect the post-secondary sector, and to be aware and conscientious of the affects that changes can have on students, staff, and programs.

The Board Chair reported that he had attended an Alumni Association event on February 5, 2025.

The Board Chair and the President acknowledged Trish Pেকেles, who will be retiring on March 31, 2025.

6.0 President's Report

The President reported that there is a constant growing Indigenous youth population which can positively benefit BCIT and the Indigenous communities.

- 6.1 President's Activities**
Distributed material: Information Note

The President reported that Kathy Kinloch (previous President) was honoured with a lounge in her name in the Health Science Centre.

- 6.2 Biography – S. Clement**
Distributed material: Information Note

Ms. Clement was welcomed as the interim CFO, VP, Administration.

7.0 Academic

7.1 Program Cancellation: Associate Certificate in Applied Computer Applications; Associate Certificate in Web Technologies; Certificate in Web Technologies

Distributed material: Decision Note

The Education Council Chair referred to the material previously circulated. The Chair reported on the role played by the Education Policy in the approval process and referenced the recommendation of Education Council to cancel the two programs.

Management reported that the cancellation of the programs was not associated with artificial intelligence technology.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED THAT the Board of Governors approve program cancellations: Associate Certificate in Applied Computer Applications; Associate Certificate in Web Technologies; Certificate in Web Technologies.

8.0 Policy

8.1 Animal Care: Ethical Use of Animals in Research and Teaching - Policy #6505 and Procedure #6505-PR1

Distributed material: Decision Note

Management highlighted key points from the information previously circulated.

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED THAT the Board of Governors approve the Animal Care: Ethical Use of Animals in Research and Teaching - Policy #6505 and Procedure #6505-PR1.

9.0 Next Meeting and Conclusion

The next Board of Governors meeting will be held on April 1, 2025 at 1:00 p.m.

The open meeting concluded at 2:45 p.m.



Mike Bonshor, Chair

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