

#### **March 18, 2021 Open Session** 4:00 – 4:37 p.m.

Meeting by Webex		
<b>Board Members:</b>	Carolyn Graham, Chair	Annette Trimbee, President
<b>Public Members</b>	Adam Guiney, Vice Chair	Cameron Barr
	Jasmine Nuthall	John Stelter
	Linda Banister	Julian Martin
	Meghan DeRoo McConnan	
Academic Staff Members	Aimee Skye	
Non-Academic Staff Member	Nina Delling	
Alumni Representatives	Tracy Sopkow	Scott Kashuba
Student Members	Sean Waddingham	Myles Dykes
Vice Presidents:	Craig Monk, Provost & Vice-President, Academic	
	Michelle Plouffe, Vice-President and General Counsel	
	Myrna Khan, Vice-President University Relations	
	Sharilee Fossum, Vice-President Finance and Administration, and Chief Financial Officer	
	Rick Ellis, Associate Vice-President Finance	
<b>Resource Members:</b>	Gwen Bauer, University Secretary	
	Marg Leathem, Chief of Staff	
	Sumiko Yip, Director, Strategic Initiatives	
	Bronwyn Snefjella, Governance Officer and Recording Secretary	
	Marco Turlione, Governance Coordinator	
Guests:	Wanda Costen, Kevin Fitzgerald, Allan Gilliland, Shelagh Hohm, Barry Horan, Karen Keiller, Craig Kuziemsky, Fred McGinn, David McLaughlin, Cassie Prochnau, Helen Ngan-Pare, Mona Patel, Melike Schalomon, Donna-Mae Winquist	
Absent, with regrets:	Lucio Gelmini, Samantha Kernahan	

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## 0.0 Land Acknowledgement

## **1.0** Call to Order and Introduction of Guest(s)

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm, noting quorum is present.

The Chair took a moment to recognize the contributions of Janice Sarich to MacEwan and the Board of Governors, noting that the Covid-19 relief bursary would be dedicated in her name, and would assist some 500 students.



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- 1.1 Declaration of Conflicts of Interest and Commitment (Real, Potential or Perceived) No conflicts declared.
- 1.2 Approval of Open Agenda (MOTION)

**MOTION # 01-18-03-2020/21** Moved by A. Guiney and seconded that the Board of Governors approve the meeting agenda and consent items for March 18, 2021. Motion Carried.

\*Consent items consisted of Minutes of December 10, 2020, Minutes of February 2, 2021, the 2021/2022 Board Meeting Schedule, and the Board Correspondence Report.

### 2.0 Reports

2.1 Board Chair's Report

C. Graham reported on the following items:

- N. Delling has been reelected as the MacEwan Staff Association representative to the Board.
- M. DeRoo-McConnan has received the Distinguished Service Award by the Chartered Professional Accountants Alberta with significant achievement in service within the past 5 years.
- Chair attended strategic vision process and thought leader sessions.
- Chair attended kickoff event for new Allard Chair of Business, Naseem Bashir
- Chancellor Search Committee has received applications from some great community leaders who are interested in the role. The Committee will meet with shortlisted candidates in April. Recommendation expected in early June.
- Nominations for Honorary Doctorates are now open and nomination information is on the MacEwan website.
- Received email from Minister encouraging us to be back on campus for Fall 2021.

C. Graham took questions from the floor:

• Convocation will be a combination of curbside convocation and online events.

C. Graham introduced to the Board guests in attendance at the meeting.

### 2.2 President's Report

A. Trimbee reported on the following items:

- Strategic Visioning Update
- Building community and reputation
  - o Recognition at United Way Red Tie Gala
  - o MacEwan on Forbes top Alberta-based employer
- MacEwan activities related to equity, diversity, and inclusion
  - o Scarborough National Charter of Principles, Actions, and Accountabilities Against Anti-Black Racism in development



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- o Mental Health Week commitment to the Okanagan Charter
- o *Black History Month* interdisciplinary dialogues
- o *Pride Week* hosted 15 different events with a variety of partners
- MacEwan activities related to Student Success
  - o Indigenous Youth Rising Conference
  - o Enhancing Work Integrated Learning with \$314k grant from Cooperative Education and Work-Integrated Learning Canada
  - o *Spring convocation* will be asynchronous, online format with recorded components plus Convocation day planned for early July
- MacEwan activities related to program quality assurance and academic rigor
  - o Currently pursuing Audit Status with the Campus Alberta Quality Council.
  - o School of Business is seeking accreditation with EFMD Global
- Example MacEwan faculty research projects
- Partnership projects
  - o Liquor Store Project (Social Innovation Institute) visual public awareness campaign launched. Related project with Faculty of Nursing.
  - o New agreement with Northland District School Division for access to Intro to Indigenous Studies course like existing agreement with Amiskwaciy Academy.
  - o Renewal of MOU with Inclusion Alberta Society
  - o Partnership with Metis Nation of Alberta/Rupertsland Institute
  - o Reestablishment of MacEwan's Indigenous Advisory Council
  - o Update to Teaching and Learning System (IT platform) through consortium with other Alberta PSIs
- MacEwan activities to build alumni base
  - o "Get on the List" campaign is an initiative championed by Alumni Advisory Council to boost connection with alumni
- Update on academic leadership staffing
  - o Dr. Christy Raymond, appointed as new Dean of Nursing, effective June 1, 2021.
  - o Dr. Cheryl Pollard, assistant Dean of Nursing, appointed as the Dean of Nursing at the University of Regina.
  - o Currently searching for a new Academic Vice-President Students.
- A. Trimbee took questions from the floor.
- 2.3 General Faculties Council Report

A. Trimbee reported on the following items:

- GFC met once since last Board meeting; in addition to strategic visioning sessions.
- Notable items from GFC in January are:
- Approval of a remote proctoring software, Proctorio, for use in extraordinary circumstances.
- Approval of a new Student Code of Conduct.
- Recommended to the Board the Honorary Doctorates Policy.



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2.4 Audit and Risk Committee Chair's Report

J. Nuthall indicated there was no report for the open Board session.

2.5 Governance and Human Resources Committee Chair's Report

L. Banister shared that the committee recommended the Honorary Doctorates Policy to the Board.

2.6 Finance, Property and Investment Committee Chair's Report

M. DeRoo-McConnan reported on the following:

- Committee reviewed the Q2 financial report.
- There are some \$400k in bursaries reflected in the Q2 report.
- Based on Q2, institution may have small surplus.
- 2.7 Foundation Board of Directors' Report

M. DeRoo-McConnan reported on the following:

- Foundation reviewed its Quarterly Financial Reports noting a received \$1 million endowment for Computer Science was received and the fund is now at \$2 million of a \$3 million target.
- Reviewed for information the Alumni Development Report.
- Approved expendable amount from the endowment earnings fund.
- 2.8 Strategy and Stakeholder Relations Committee Chair's Report

C. Graham reported the committee discussed the strategic vision exercise and Alberta 2030.

### 3.0 Adjournment of Open Session

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 4:37 pm