# MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE OKANAGAN COLLEGE BOARD OF GOVERNORS Open Session

# Tuesday, March 31, 2015, 1 p.m. Room E102/103, Vernon Campus

Approved May 19, 2015

Members Present: T. Styffe (Chair)

C. Denesiuk C. Derickson W. Favro C. Gerbrandt

J. Hamilton (President)

S. Johal
S. Lupul
J. Maciel
D. Manning
B. McGowan
C. Mitchell
L. Thurnheer

Board Secretary: L. Le Gallee

Vice Presidents: R. Daykin

A. Hay C. Kushner

Directors: A. Coyle

Observers: R. Vilene (BCGEU Support Staff)

T. Walters (OCFA) arrived at 1:15, left at 2:40 p.m.

Regrets: N. Ankerstein, Administrative Association

C. McRobb, BCGEU Vocational K. Tracz, Student Observer L. Stanley, Student Observer J. Poirier, Student Observer

T. Leneveu, Student Observer, VSU

Guests: J. Lister, Students OCSU (left at 2:15 p.m.)

There being a quorum present, the Chair called the meeting to order at 1 p.m.

## 1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: C. Denesiuk

## 3. CONSENT AGENDA

**Items Approved:** 

Motion: C. Gerbrandt/S. Lupul

January 27, 2015, Open Session

2015/16 on behalf of the Okanagan College Student Union and the Vernon Student Association as

**MOTION CARRIED** 

#### 4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

#### 5. PRESENTATION/DELEGATIONS

**5.1** Regional Dean Report (J. Lister)

Although there has been an over expenditure on the track project, all is on schedule and showers will be added to the building once funding is secured for this component. The Grand Opening will be in July.

The Demonstration Garden has been worked on for four years; this is an investment from the community and it will continue to be used for programming purposes as well as there is a lease with Young Farmers. A grant has been awarded from the Okanagan Water Board to upgrade the irrigation and the Regional Dean will continue to work with the community on sustainable practices.

The third annual John Lent Prose Award is the focus of the Kalamalka Press. This will be made available to the Board once complete.

With regard to enrolment, head count is up at the Vernon Campus with trades and vocational being heavily subscribed to. The Regional Dean is working on a concept to offer a rotating trades program in Vernon. An area has been identified on campus for a Trades facility, this has been included in the Master Capital Plan.

There will be a presentation of natural playgrounds at the reception later today. This is a project the Regional Dean has been working on in conjunction with the Director of Learning and Teaching.

The District is experiencing declining registration in the schools, the campus is hosting an information session tonight. This decline is expected to level out in three to four years as registrations in primary schools are increasing.

T. Walters arrived at 1:15 p.m.

# 5.2 Student Presentation re: Tuition

**5.2.1 Okanagan College Student Union.** <sup>1</sup> Presentation was given by Chelsea Gritsch.

Bo ar dembers noted that they share the students' concerns with regard to access.

#### Questions included:

A Board member asked for more information with regard to the statistics used in the presentation and requested more information with regard to the costs association with attending the College.

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The OCFA representative noted that the OCFA has been lobbying government on behalf of the students and offered their assistance to administration to find alternative solutions to raising the cost of tuition. He raised a concern that consultation does not occur early enough in the budget planning process. He recommended not adopting the 2% increase.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

1 opposed (L. Thurnheer)

#### 6.1.3 International Tuition

Motion: B. McGowan/C. Derickson

international tuition of 2% for 2015/16 as recommended by the Finance, Audit and Risk Review

**MOTION CARRIED** 

## 6.1.4 Budget

Motion: B. McGowan/S. Johal

the 2015/16 balanced operating budget

of \$94,945,262 as recommended by the Finance, Audit and Risk Review Committee

The unit plan process begins in the fall with the individual unit managers. They meet with the VPs in January and February and set out their short and long term priorities, the budget is then developed. Consultations occur with the employee groups and student union/association part way through the process to update them. Further consultation could occur at the department level earlier in the process. Administration committed to review this to improve the process prior to the 2016/17 budget year.

The Chair asked the OCFA representative to send the Board a letter outlining their suggestions; this will be taken to the Finance Committee for review.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

#### 6.1.5 ABE/ESL Tuition

Amended Motion: B. McGowan/D. Manning

fees for Adult Basic Education (ABE) and English as a Second Language (ESL) courses, based on the following conditions:

- 1) Fees will be established at a maximum level of \$1,600 per semester and will be implemented at a later date, but not prior to the 2016/17 fiscal year,
- 2) No dome2)s()]eTm[)}-5(me.5&50.49 Tm5Tog)-5( con)-3(d)-2(it)-2 Tmrt5(l)440 Tm4.ET(s will)-11( be6(in 5pTE

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Administration is taking direction from the Finance Committee in this motion, it is part of the Colege's mandate and strategic plan to not reduce access. Research and consultation will occur with the students so that all issues are considered.

MOTION CARRIED

1 Abstained (L. Thurnheer)

Students left at 2:15 p.m.

## **6.2 ITA Training Pan** (A. Hay)

The Industry Training Authority funds most, if not all, of the Foundation level trades programs.

Motion: C. Gerbrandt/L. Thurnheer

Board of Governors approve the ITA Training Plan

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**MOTION CARRIED** 

# **6.3** Annual Programming Plan (A. Hay)

The ITA Training Plan is embedded in the Annual Programming Plan. This Plan outlines all the training that OC is planning on offering. This includes the programming that will remain unchanged as well as the programming that is undergoing change as well as discontinued programming. New initiatives are also noted. This is developed in conjunction with the regional and program deans.

Motion: S. Lupul/C. Denesiuk

# Programming Plan 2015/16

Questions with regard to Art X were addressed.

A member asked for information on aboriginal programming offered by Continuing Studies.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

# **6.4 Education Council Submission** (A. Hay)

## 6.4.1 Program Approvals

Motions: C. Denesiuk/C. Gerbrandt

Sustainable Construction

Management Technology Diploma,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board approve the revision to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing Years 1 and 2,

**Bachelor of Business** 

Administration Accounting Specialty, as recommended by Education Council and as presented

OLVED THAT the Board approve the revision to the Post-Baccalaureate Diploma in Accounting,

Medical Office Assistant

Certificate, as recommende

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