

DURHAM COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY BOARD OF GOVERNORS REGULAR MEETING Public Session - MINUTES

- Date:** January 8, 2014
- Location:** Community Room, Gordon Willey Building, A144
- Members Present:** Ron Chatterton, chair
Pierre Tremblay, vice-chair
Dan Borowec
Thomas Coughlan
Garry Cubitt
Kevin Dougherty
Joanne Dykeman
Darren Fisher
Renate Ilse
Don Lovisa, president (ex-officio)
Mary Simpson
Judith Spring
Jennifer Clark, board secretary (ex-officio, non-voting)
- Members Absent:** Doug Allingham
Paul Macklin
Donna Raetsen-Kemp
Zain Shafique
- Staff Present:** Scott Blakey, vice-president, Administration
Tony Doyle, chief of staff
Nevzat Gurmen, vice-president, Corporate Services and CFO
Meri Kim Oliver, vice-president, Student Affairs
Judy Robinson, vice-president, Academic

1. CALL TO ORDER

With quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

Scott Blakey, vice-president, Administration introduced the following guests:

Darrin Caron, principal/dean, Whitby Campus

David Chambers, associate vice-president, Office of Development

Dave Smith, OPSEU

Susan Sproul, dean, School of Health and Community Services

Kristin Calis, reporter, Oshawa This Week

Present for the Ontario Council on Articulation and Transfer (ONCAT) presentation only:

Kevin Baker, dean, School of Interdisciplinary Studies and Employment Services

Mary Blanchard, associate dean, Academic Planning

Carol Burke, associate dean, School of Health and Community Services

Glenn Craney, executive director, ONCAT

Debbie McKee-Demczyk, director, Office of Research Services and Innovation

Kim Moreau, formerly an employee of ONCAT and currently Pathways and Credit Transfer coordinator at Durham College

Bev Neblett, associate dean, School of Interdisciplinary Students and Employment Services

Susan Todd, dean, School of Science and Engineering Technology

Moreen Tapper, associate dean, School of Justice and Emergency Services

3. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

None noted.

4. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS

None noted.

5. PRESENTATIONS

5.1. Building a Culture of Credit Transfer in Ontario (Our Students and Our Community)

President Lovisa introduced Glenn Craney and Kim Moreau. G. Craney informed the Board about the evolution of ONCAT; the provincial government's commitment to creation of a comprehensive, transparent and consistently applied credit transfer system; ONCAT's strategic priorities to advance this vision; current priority projects; and successes to date. K. Moreau provided an overview of her contributions to advancing pathways development and awareness at the college and at ONCAT.

In response to questions, G. Craney noted that Ontario lags other provinces, especially BC and Alberta more because of culture than design; solution, at least in part, is to increase awareness regarding the significant success of pathways students. Success will be measured by an increase in students' ability to blend the types of education that they want, that will give them the skills and knowledge that they need to achieve their career goals.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

The Chair presented the consent agenda, which includes items 7, 12.1, and 13.1.2; item 10 was added.

Moved By Governor Tremblay

Seconded By Governor Spring

THAT the Consent Agenda be approved.

CARRIED.

7. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

7.1. Minutes of the public session of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Governors of November 13, 2013

Approved under the Consent Agenda.

7.2. Minutes of the public session of the Special Meeting of the Board of Governors of December 11, 2013

Approved under the Consent Agenda.

8. ACTIONS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

None noted.

9. CHAIR'S REPORT

Chairman Chatterton congratulated President Lovisa on the renewal of his contract for another 5-year term, noting his past success and extending best wishes for continued success. He provided a brief summary of governors' participation at Colleges Ontario's Higher Education Summit in November and acknowledged the college's Premier's Awards nominees.

10. PRESIDENT'S REPORT - D. Lovisa

The report was received under the Consent Agenda.

11. COMMITTEE REPORTS

None provided.

12. CONTINUING BUSINESS

12.1. Program Advisory Committee Minutes (Our Students)

Received under the Consent Agenda.

12.2. 2013-2014 Enrolment Update (Our Students)

The College experienced only a 5% enrolment attrition from September to November 1, 2013; this is normal. Although January enrolment numbers are ahead of target at this time, there is some concern that final enrolment may fall short of target. Application numbers are strong for September; however, the conversion rate of applications to enrolments may not be high enough to meet the target.

Winter intake of international students is good. Last year's foreign services workers strike has had a lasting impact as agents redirected students to other countries; we have initiated a new marketing program. College is obtaining good results from recruitment pilot project in Brazil and the new program in the Caribbean.

12.3. Campus Master Plan Update (Our Business and Our Community)

To date, the space needs analysis and draft visioning and directions report have been completed. The draft vision will be made public on January 29. Under discussion at this time are: phasing of protected space needs in context of unconfirmed funding, accommodating parking, integration of transit and identification of alternative modes of transportation, business plan to support master plan framework, and land ownership issues. Planning initiative is on schedule.

In response to questions, the concept plans will come to the Board in March of this year; these plans will address the items currently under discussion; the planning process incorporates broad consultation.

Moved by Governor Tremblay

Seconded by Governor Simpson

THAT the Campus Master Planning update be received for information.

CARRIED.

12.4. Strategic Mandate Agreement (Our Students and Our Business)

Additions to the draft presented at the special meeting of the Board in December were identified. No feedback from MTCU nor a request to meet has yet been received; we anticipate a joint meeting with UOIT will be requested. SMAs are to be finalized by the end of March. Differences between the original SMA and this SMA will be identified and presented at the Board and Program Advisory Committee Chairs Roundtable in February.

ACTION: President's Office to map out the differences between the original SMA and this SMA.

13. NEW BUSINESS

13.1. New Programs (Our Students)

13.1.1. Behavioural Science Degree Program

The Bachelor of Behavioural Sciences Degree program is the second degree program brought forward for Board approval. MTCU has frozen program approvals until the Strategic Mandate Agreement process is complete; with Board approval, this program will be ready to move forward in the program approval process as soon as the freeze is lifted. The key differentiating feature of Durham College's Behavioural Sciences Degree program is its focus across the life-span.

Governors noted that there is significant and growing demand for employees with this expertise; funding for seniors and dementia patients may not be as great as funding for children and youth; program is in line with sector's increased focus on social models rather than medical models only.

ACTION: Provide the Board with a summary of programs of instruction that are in development and slated for future Board approval.

Moved by Governor Cubitt

Seconded by Governor Ilse

THAT the Durham College Board of Governors approves the postsecondary program of instruction for the Bachelor of Behavioural Sciences Degree program.

CARRIED.

13.1.2. Continuing Education Thanatology Certificate

Approved under the Consent Agenda.

13.2. 50th Anniversary Celebrations (Our Business)

Durham College will celebrate its 50th anniversary in 2017. Parkwood will also be celebrating a milestone anniversary and Canada will be celebrating its sesquicentennial. Scott Blakey is chair of Durham College's anniversary planning committee. He is beginning to recruit a planning committee and is receiving a strong response. The committee's mandate will be broad, including special branding and social media campaigns in addition to a number of events.

The college system will also be celebrating 50 years in existence; President Lovisa is chairing the committee planning the provincial celebrations.

13.3. System Changes - Tuition and Online Institute (Our Students and Our Community)

The Review of Changes to Binding Policy Directive and Operating Procedure on Tuition and Ancillary Fees was distributed at the meeting. The key impact of the changes will be on predictability of enrolment as of September 1. This will create a number of challenges, including the ability to hire the right number of faculty. Changes will assist students in paying fees. Registrars across the system are responding as a group, recommending system-wide implementation for 2015-2016.

MTCU will soon be publicly announcing funding and plans for a new on-line learning organization that will be governed and operated by the colleges and the universities, separately. Initial plans, communicated a few years ago, have been revised with input from colleges and universities. OntarioLearn is seen as a model, as it worked well for part-time studies, and will be extended to full-time studies.

Very recently announced is a new framework on capital expansion through three new campuses for undergraduate education. We are considering how DC might participate.

14. OTHER BUSINESS

None noted.

15. INQUIRIES AND COMMUNICATIONS

None noted.

16. UPCOMING EVENTS

Chairman Chatterton reviewed the events.

17. MOVE TO IN-CAMERA SESSION

The chair noted that Durham College by-law No. 1. provides for the Board of Governors to address, in-camera, items of corporate business respecting human resources or litigation matters, confidential items covered under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act and, items that the Board deems to be confidential to the College. There are 10 items to address in-camera.

Moved By Governor Spring

Seconded by Governor Coughlan

THAT the Durham College Board of Governors recess the public session of the meeting and move in-camera after a 10 minute break.

CARRIED.

The Board returned to public session at 8:55 p.m.

18. ADJOURNMENT

Moved By Governor Coughlan

Seconded By Governor Tremblay

THAT this meeting of the Board of Governors of Durham College adjourn.

CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.



Ron Chatterton, chair



Jennifer Clark, secretary