

**PUBLIC MEETING OF THE
 BOARD OF GOVERNORS
 FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2013**

Public Minutes of the Thompson Rivers University Board of Governors, held in the CN Boardroom, Kamloops Campus, commencing at 11:30 am.

Board Present: Fiona Chan (Board Chair), Alan Shaver (President and Vice-Chancellor), Rob Anderson, Carl Archie, Dave Dickson, Bob Holden, Hoberly Hove, Stacey Jyrkkanen, Mike Parker, Parth Patel, Brian Ross, Peter Tsigaris, Ruth Williams

Board Absent: Wally Oppal (Chancellor), Paul Dagg (Vice-Chair)

Executive and Others Present:

Cliff Neufeld (Vice President, Administration & Finance), Christopher Seguin (Vice President, Advancement), Uli Scheck (Provost & Vice-President, Academic), Larry Prins (Associate Vice President Academic, Faculty Relations), John Sparks (General Counsel & Corporate Secretary), Maryanne Bower (Coordinator, University Governance)

Guests: Will Garrett-Petts (Research and Graduate Studies), Matt Kennedy (Institutional Planning and Analysis), Kate Sutherland (Provost's Office), Diana Skoglund (Marketing & Communications), Will George (Student Caucus), Alex McLellan (TRUSU/Student Caucus), Nolan Guichon (Student Caucus), A. Alboaye (Student Caucus), Angelo Iacobucci (Radio NL)

HEADING	ITEM / DISCUSSION	ACTION
ADOPTION OF AGENDA	Addition: TRU Foundation – M. Parker The agenda was adopted as amended.	
OATH OF OFFICE	Parth Patel was introduced and swore the Oath of Office.	
ADOPTION OF MINUTES	<i>On motion duly made and adopted, it was RESOLVED that the minutes of December 7, 2012 be approved as circulated.</i>	M. Bower
BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES	<p><u>Centre for Optimization and Decision Science</u> A. Shaver reported on the governance and membership for the Centre for Optimization and Decision Science, which was approved at the last Board meeting.</p> <p>Will Garrett-Petts, Associate Vice-President, Research and Graduate Studies, provided an overview of the process, regulations and the criteria for Research Centres at TRU.</p>	

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	<u>Campus Master Plan</u>	
	C. Neufeld provided an update on the Campus Master Plan project, noting that the first informational Town Hall meeting is complete, with the next one meeting scheduled for April 17, 2013. The final Town Hall meeting will take place in September, with a goal for completion in late October. It is anticipated that the revised Campus Master Plan will be forwarded to the Board for approval in November 2013.	
	M. Bower was asked to circulate the entire timeline and meeting schedule to the Board.	M. Bower
PRESENTATION	<u>Stable Enrolment Report</u>	
	Matt Kennedy, Institutional Planning & Analysis, presented the Winter 2013 Stable Enrolment Report.	
	Based on the stable enrolment as of September 25, 2012 and January 25, 2013, TRU reports 63,450 total course enrolments and a Winter 2013 overall headcount of 7,575. The Winter 2013 Summary reports overall on-campus course enrolments are up 0.8% over the Winter 2012 level.	
	Discussion ensued.	
	It was recommended that we be prudent in respect to a shift in demographics and look for opportunities for the future. A. Shaver indicated that Administration will present predictions to the Board at the appropriate time and the Board will continue to discuss this matter.	A. Shaver
REPORT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE	B. Holden reported that the Committee reviewed version 2 of the 2013/14 Budget. Version 3 will come forward for review in April, with approval by the Board at the May meeting. The committee also reviewed the Financial Forecast, which anticipates \$1.3M surplus at year-end.	
REPORT FROM THE GOVERNANCE & HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE	F. Chan reported that the committee met in early February to review the Board's Competency Matrix and evaluations for the Board, Board Chair, Committees, and Governors. The Board will complete their evaluations in May.	M. Bower
REPORT FROM SENATE	<u>Meetings of December 17, 2012 and January 28, 2013</u>	
	A. Shaver provided highlights of the written reports.	
	<i>On motion duly made and adopted, it was RESOLVED to approve the Seniors Living Management Certificate as presented.</i>	M. Bower
	<i>On motion duly made and adopted, it was RESOLVED to approve the Leadership in Environmental Sustainability Certificate as presented.</i>	M. Bower
NEW BUSINESS	There was no new business.	

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**PRESIDENT'S
REPORT**

A. Shaver presented highlights from the written report from the Office of the President.

A. Shaver also reported that he has been actively engaged in the RUCBC Opportunity Agenda.

US Accreditation

Kate Sutherland, Associate Vice-President, Academic & Student Relations, provided an update on the US Accreditation process. She explained that this is institutional accreditation which looks at all services, including student services, facilities, academic, etc. Benefits of accreditation include independent assessment mechanisms, it helps to establish clear benchmarks, is easier to share our reputation and practices, it enhances the value of our degrees internationally, and it positions us well to recruit in the United States.

The application process is estimated to be complete in September 2013, at which time TRU would be given applicant status for 2.5 years. After that period, we would undergo a four-year S.W.O.T. analysis process. It is about a seven or eight-year process to become fully accredited.

OTHER REPORTS

TRU Foundation

M. Parker reported that the "Giving Back" Fundraising drive will begin in March 2013. This fundraising drive is for the TRU community to give back to the TRU Foundation. He would like to see 100% Board of Governors participation and encouraged the Governors to participate in this very worthy initiative.

CORRESPONDENCE

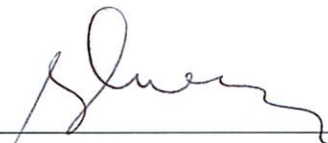
**NEXT BOARD
MEETING**

Friday, April 5, 2013 in Kamloops

F. Chan reported this is C. Neufeld's last Board meeting. His guidance, vision, and service to the University and the Board over the past 37 years have been very much appreciated.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:40 pm.



F. Chan, Board Chair



A. Shaver, President & Vice-Chancellor