

Board of Governors – Regular Meeting

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the NSCC Board of Governors, held on February 15, 2018 at the IT Campus in Halifax.

MINUTES

Board Members Present:

Mike Brien (Chair)
Bob MacEachern (Vice Chair)
Howie Doiron
Judith Ferguson
Jennifer Gogan
Liza Macdonald
Matt Madden
Steve Maltby (by phone)
Akash Pandey
Amanda Peters
Kevin Cowper
Dave Saxton
Rustum Southwell
Sarah Young
Marlene Usher
John Volcko (by phone)

Also Present:

Don Bureaux, President
Monica Foster, CFO & VP College Services
Cathy MacLean, VP Campuses and Communities
Anna Burke, VP Academic
Rosalind Penfound, VP Organizational Development
Christabell Pinchin, Secretary, Board of Governors
Erin Elliott, Executive Assistant to the President

Frank Lockington, Executive Director, NSCC Foundation

Board Members Regrets:

Ian Cavanagh
John Lindsay
Tiffany Mattinson

1. Call to Order

Quorum being present, Mike Brien, the Chair, called the meeting to order.

The Chair noted that additional materials have been provided at each Board Member's seat to be added to the in-camera portion of the meeting.

The Chair passed a talking stick around the room that was made by Elder Joe who Governors will remember from the November Development Session. The talking stick will be introduced formally at a future meeting where we will be joined by a member of the Mi'kmaq community to teach members about the culture behind a talking stick and the appropriate protocol for using it during meetings.

Before the meeting began, the Chair acknowledged that we are in traditional Mi'kmaq unceded territory. He reminded Governors that we act in the best interest of the College, we demonstrate good judgement and act in an ethical manner, maintain confidentiality and comply with the Board's By-Laws and policies. Lastly, he noted we encourage diverse conversation but leave with one voice.

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2. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

No conflicts were declared for the regular portion of the meeting.

3. Consent Agenda

The Chair reminded Governors that the Consent Agenda allows the Board more time for items that require further explanation and discussion.

It was moved by Matt Madden / Kevin Cowper

That the Board of Governors approve the consent agenda for the February 15, 2018 meeting as presented. (Agenda, December 14, 2017 Minutes, Power Engineering Technology, Leadership Development College Certificate Program and Leadership Essentials College Certificate Program.)

This motion was put to a vote and

CARRIED.

4. Move to In-Camera <see In-Camera Minutes>

It was moved by Liza Macdonald / Sarah Young

That the NSCC Board of Governors Meeting of February 15, 2018 move to In-Camera.

This motion was put to a vote and

CARRIED.

5. President's Update

Don highlighted a few items from his President's Report, that was included with the meeting materials, including details on the Supercluster announcement made earlier in the day. Don noted that this year NSCC will have 21 convocation ceremonies.

Enrolment is tracking well and compared to this time last year is up approximately 1,000 applications and 500 confirmed seats. Don speculated that this increase is a result of a few factors including the Strive advertising campaign and even Work to Rule last year.

The SIF projects are wrapping up and COVE is nearing completion.

Don thanked Rosalind Penfound, Vice President Organizational Learning and her team for their work around the Accessibility Act and shared details of the recent announcement made by the Rick Hansen Foundation.

Don shared that Forbes Magazine rated the top 300 employers in Canada and NSCC placed 44th. NSCC was the only College in Canada on the list.

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6. Committee Updates

Executive Committee:

Foundation Update: Frank Lockington, Executive Director for the NSCC Foundation provided a brief update. Frank reported that the Make Way Campaign is nearing its goal with \$23M raised to date. The Foundation Board meets next in March and are in the process of developing a Strategic Plan for the Foundation to identify what happens after Make Way. Frank concluded with an update on Alumni.

Five-Year Organizational Review: Monica Foster, Vice President, College Services provided an overview of the Five-Year Organizational Review that was included with the meeting materials. Monica thanked Sue Drapeau, Business and Planning Consultant with the College Services team for her work in preparing the report. The report covers the fiscal and academic years starting in 2011 and ending in 2016. It is an opportunity to look back on the accomplishments of the past five years. Once approved the report is sent to Labour and Advanced Education for information.

It was moved by Kevin Cowper / Liza Macdonald

That the NSCC Board of Governors approve the Five-Year Organizational Review as presented.

This motion was put to a vote and

CARRIED.

NSAA/NSCC Stewardship Report: Anna Burke, Vice President, Academic provided an overview of the NSAA/NSCC Stewardship Report that was included with the meeting materials. Anna noted that this is the fourth report. The report is approved by both the NSCC Board and the NSAA Board and then submitted to Labour and Advanced Education.

It was moved by Matt Madden / Howie Doiron

That the NSCC Board of Governors approve the 2016-2017 Nova Scotia Apprenticeship Agency / Nova Scotia Community College Stewardship Report as presented.

This motion was put to a vote and

CARRIED.

Programs Committee: Sarah Young, Chair of Programs Committee provided a brief update on the most-recent committee meeting. She referred to the items within the Consent Agenda and informed the Board that as Chair of Programs she recently met with the Board Chair of the Nova Scotia Apprenticeship Agency (NSAA), Anna Burke, Vice President Academic and the President of NSAA.

<<note>> The Finance, Audit and Risk Committee update was provided during the in-camera portion of the meeting.

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7. Student Governors' Comments

Akash Pandey, Metro Student Governor provided an update to the Board. Akash shared details on the recent Bell Let's Talk day. He reported that each campus participated by hosting various activities at their campuses. Ivany campus noted a 38% increase of participation with students from the previous year. Akash also spoke about Immigration, International Students' application process and African Heritage month.

8. Governors' Dialogue

It was moved by Rustum Southwell / Dave Saxton

That the NSCC Board of Governors regular meeting of February 15, 2018 move to Governors' Dialogue.

This motion was put to a vote and

CARRIED.

<<note>> **Governors' Dialogue adjourned and the regular meeting resumed.**

9. Other Business

There was no other business discussed.

10. Adjourn

The Chair called to adjourn the meeting and removed Governors' Forum from the agenda in recognition of the meeting running long.

It was moved by Rustum Southwell / Marlene Usher

That the NSCC Board of Governors regular meeting of February 15, 2018 adjourn.

This motion was put to a vote and

CARRIED.

Approved by Board Motion: April 19, 2018