



## BOARD OF GOVERNORS

### REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

**MEETING:** Monday, November 4, 2024  
**TIME:** 5:00 pm  
**LOCATION:** Paul 216, Lansdowne Campus  
**ONLINE:** Teams

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**BOARD MEMBERS:**

Tanya Clarmont, Chair  
Bijan Ahmadi  
Monty Bryant, Past Chair  
Jeremy Burgess  
Joanne Cumberland  
Shane Hartman  
Sean Leyland  
Lindsay Kearns  
Brenda McBain  
Ruth Mojeed Ramirez  
Prince Solanki  
Mike Stubbing  
Lane Trotter, President  
Al van Akker

**ADMINISTRATION:**

John Boraas, Provost & VP Education & Innovation  
John D'Agnolo, Exec. Dir., Human Resources  
Deborah Huelscher, VP Administration & CFO  
Jody Kitts, Dir., Advancement & Alumni Engagement  
Rodney Porter, Exec. Dir., Communications & Marketing  
Jen Stone, Exec. Dir., Strategy, Planning & Transformation  
Richard Stride, Acting VP Enrolment & Community Engagement

**REGRETS:** Scott Harris, Registrar

**EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT:** Heather Martin

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The meeting was opened with the Acknowledgement of the Territory.

**I CALL TO ORDER**

Tanya Clarmont, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:05 pm.

**II APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

The agenda was approved as distributed.

**III BOARD MEMBER REPORTS****1. Chair's Report**

Tanya Clarmont, Chair, noted that all the regular Board meetings are open to the public and welcomed the guests on Teams. Lane Trotter and Tanya met several times for planning and updates. The 'Allies Alongside: A Ceremony for Orange Shirt Day' took place on September 26 in Na'tsa'maht. Tanya thanked Bijan Ahmadi, Brenda McBain, Prince Solanki, Lane Trotter, and Al van Akker for attending.

The School of Access awards took place on October 18. Thank you to Brenda McBain for bringing greetings on behalf of the Board of Governors.

On October 28, Monty Bryant and Lane Trotter attended a celebration of the new partnership between the Malahat Nation, Camosun and the Ministry that has made the Malahat SOAR Adult Education Program possible. It will help break down barriers to greater learning by bringing education to the community. Monty Bryant added that the most important part was to see the students who are taking the programs speak about their experiences. They come from varied backgrounds and are doing very well.

## **2. President's Report**

Lane Trotter, President, reported it was great to be at the Malahat signing. He acknowledged the faculty who created the program and who deliver it on their territory. It provides a great place for students to learn. It was very moving to hear from the students, elders, and community members.

On October 30th Richard Stride and Lane attended the announcement of the Dennis & Phyllis Washington Foundation and Seaspan donation of \$5.26M to establish the Camosun Trades Training Centre next to the Camosun Coastal Centre. It is for Indigenous learners to pursue a career in the marine trades. Lane acknowledged the work of Jody Kitts and Michelle Brown. It is the largest gift the college has ever received.

## **3. Foundation**

Jody Kitts, Director, Advancement & Alumni Engagement, reported:

- x We have raised \$3.4M so far this year, and \$500K of that has been added to endowment principal.
- x Two potential new Board members will be joining the November 21 meeting.
- x Giving Tuesday is December 3 this year and we are busy planning.
- x Grace van den Brink, Chair and the Executive of the Foundation Board is challenging the Board of Governors to a Giving Tuesday challenge. The rules:
  - o An email will be sent to both boards shortly. The challenge ends on Giving Tuesday - December 3;
  - o Whichever Board gets to 100% participation first wins;
  - o Members can donate to any fund. Donations to Erasing Barriers as part of Giving Tuesday will be matched.

## **4. Education Council**

Bijan Ahmadi, Education Council Chair, noted the minutes from the June 12 and September 18, 2024, meetings were included in the agenda package. Bijan went over the highlights of the October 16, 2024, meeting. The fall by-election brought two new students to the council, leaving only one empty student seat. They brought forward certificates Creative Writing Certificate and Technology Pathways.

## **5. Pacific Institute for Sport Education (PISE)**

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#### IV BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

##### 1. Cybersecurity Sub-Committee

###### i) Report from the September 23, 2024, meeting

Lindsay Kearns, Chair, Cybersecurity Sub-Committee, noted they met twice. Questions can be directed to committee members. Ted Pennell gave an overview on ransomware attacks and mitigation plans.

###### ii) Report from the October 22, 2024, meeting

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