

Regular Board Meeting

**Wednesday, March 22, 2006
C709 – Notre Dame Campus
Winnipeg, Manitoba**

**MINUTES
B 06/03**

IN ATTENDANCE

Governors:	William Regehr, Chair Gail Bagnall Ron Bailey Ric Borlase Guy Dugas Sheryl Feller John Jack Rex Masesar Beverley Watson	Regrets:	Al Morin Walter Petik Ann Robins
CEO:	Jeff Zabudsky, President		
Secretary:	Kathi Gudmandson, Executive Assistant to the Board		
Treasurer:	Cathy Rushton, Vice–President, Corporate Services and CFO		
Administration:	Ken Webb, Vice–President, Academic Rob Olson, A/Vice–President, Administrative Affairs Howard Koks, Associate Vice–President, Strategic Initiatives Jim Goho, Director of Research and Planning John Baryliuk, A/Chief Technology Officer		

1. CALL TO ORDER

With attendance constituting a quorum, the Chair called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Board was advised that the previously scheduled presentation by the Director of Marketing and Public Relations has been rescheduled to the May meeting.

Moved by R. Borlase/J. Jack that the Regular Meeting Agenda of March 22, 2006 be approved as amended. – CARRIED

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – FEBRUARY 22, 2006

MOTION B 06/03/01 – R. Bailey/G. Dugas

That the Minutes of the February 22, 2006 Board of Governors meeting be approved. – CARRIED

4. COLLEGE PRESIDENT’S REPORT – MARCH 2006

MOTION B 06/03/02 – R. Borlase/G. Dugas

That the College President’s Report dated March 22, 2006 be received. - CARRIED

4.1 Retirement of Jim Goho, Director of Research and Planning

The President stated that Jim Goho, Director of Research and Planning, has decided to retire from the College in September and pursue new opportunities. The President spoke about Jim’s contribution to the College in the area of accountability measures and the significant role he played as a member of the senior management team.

4.2 Council of the Federation

The President informed the Board that Ken Webb, Vice–President, Academic, represented RRC at the Council of the Federation’s Post–Secondary Education and Skills Summit held in Ottawa on February 23–24, 2006 and SA President Rex Masesar represented RRC students.

K. Webb indicated that the Council of the Federation was created by the Premiers of the provinces and territories to provide leadership in building a cooperative relationship between the provinces, and between the provinces and the federal government. The summit brought together students, college, university, business and labour representatives to examine key issues and challenges in post–secondary education and skills training. The findings of the summit will be used to develop a Canada–wide strategy on post–secondary education and skills.

R. Masesar spoke about his attendance as a Manitoba delegate at the summit. The themes of the summit included: *Access; Quality and Funding; Participation in the Labour Force; Skills for the 21st Century; Research and Innovation Capacity; Lifelong Learning; and Needs of Rural and Northern Areas*. The consensus of summit participants appeared to be that the federal government should restore post-secondary education funding to the level of the early 1990’s. He added that many of the suggested strategies during the summit are similar to initiatives that the Canadian Alliance of Student Associations (CASA) has been advocating for with the federal government.

5. STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT'S REPORT – MARCH 2006

The SA President reported that the SA recently participated in the interview process for hiring a head coach for the women's and men's basketball program that will begin at the College in the fall. The SA is also working with Ken Webb on an initiative to increase student involvement in the instructor evaluation program,

In collaboration with the College Development Office, the SA has assisted in establishing endowment funds for various programs at the College. To establish an endowment fund students in a program must hold a referendum regarding charging future students a mandatory fee to support the fund.

The SA President indicated that many of the student reps who attended the Manitoba Government's Budget Announcement on March 6 were quite pleased with the allocation for Education this year.

MOTION B 06/03/03 – B. Watson/G. Dugas

**That the Students' Association President's Report dated
March 22, 2006 be received. - CARRIED**

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

6.1 College Council – Minutes of January 10, 2006

MOTION B 06/03/04 – R. Bailey/J. Jack

**That the College Council Minutes of January 10, 2006 be received.
– CARRIED**

6.2 Planning Committee – Report of March 22, 2006

Committee Chair Gail Bagnall informed the Board that the Planning Committee received a report from Howard Koks, Associate Vice-President, Strategic Initiatives regarding the recent activities of the RRC Advocacy Team to further the College's growth in key areas. The Committee was also advised that a report will be completed in June outlining expansion plans for the Notre Dame Campus. Initiatives under consideration include a student residence, a culinary institute and redesigning the existing trades area of the College.

Ken Webb had informed Committee members that RRC is undertaking a renewal of its 2000–2004 Academic Programming Expansion Strategy which is based on RRC's vision and mission. The plan is the key driver for the success of the College's operations and divisional strategic plans.

K. Webb also reported on an innovative project the College's Centre for Applied Research and Sustainable Infrastructure (CARSI) is undertaking with Manitoba Hydro to test a unique energy efficient wall system to be used in Hydro's new downtown head office tower. The Committee had also been advised of the recent appointment of a new Dean of Business and Applied Arts.

6.2 Planning Committee – Report of March 22, 2006 (continued)

MOTION B 06/03/05 – G. Bagnall/J. Jack

**That the Planning Committee Report of March 22, 2006
be received. - CARRIED**

6.3 Administrative Affairs Committee – Report of March 22, 2006

Committee Chair Ron Bailey reported that the Administrative Affairs Committee received a very informative presentation from John Baryliuk, A/Chief Technology Officer, on the College's new IT Strategic Plan. The Committee also reviewed the financial results for the period as well as the budget projections to year end.

MOTION B 06/03/06 – R. Bailey/S. Feller

**That the Administrative Affairs Committee Report of March 22, 2006
be received. - CARRIED**

The President took the opportunity to commend John Baryliuk for his leadership in developing the College's first IT Strategic Plan.

6.3.1 Financial Results Ending February 28, 2006

The Vice-President, Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer reported that the College has completed its review of manager detailed projections to year end and a positive variance is expected.

The financial results for the period also demonstrate a positive variance which is related to timing.

MOTION B 06/03/07 – R. Bailey/R. Borlase

**That the Financial Results for the Period Ending February 28, 2006 be
received. – CARRIED**

6.4 Policy Review Committee – Report No. 1-06

Committee Chair Ric Borlase presented Policy Review Committee – Report No. 1-06 dated March 22, 2006.

MOTION B 06/03/08 – R. Borlase/J. Jack

**That Policy Review Committee Report No. 1-06 be received.
- CARRIED**

6.4.1 Approval of Revised Board Policy Manual – Notice of Motion

R. Borlase gave notice that he will present the following motions at the next Board meeting:

- a) That all policies included in the Red River College Board of Governors Policy Manual dated March 25, 1998, as outlined in the attached Index, be rescinded
- b) That the Draft Red River College Board of Governors Policy Manual dated March 22, 2006, as outlined in the attached Table of Contents, be approved.

6.5 Alumni Committee Report

Committee representative Ric Borlase reported that the Alumni Committee is now at full membership and Harv Mock has been appointed Special Events Committee Chair. The Committee recently held its annual strategic planning session from which a plan is being developed to guide the Committee's activities into the future.

MOTION B 06/03/09 – R. Borlase/G. Bagnall

**That the Alumni Committee Report of March 22, 2006
be received. - CARRIED**

The President advised the Board that former Vice-President Normen Konowalchuk was an RRC alumnus and his family has established a scholarship endowment fund at the College in Norm's memory. The response from Norm's family and friends in support of the fund has been overwhelming.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- 7.1 From D. Robertson, Chair, COPSE, March 6, 2006
Advising of general funding decisions made by Government and specific allocation decisions by COPSE for the 2006/07 fiscal year.

8. FOR INFORMATION

- 8.1 Email to All RRC Staff from J. Zabudsky dated March 2, 2006
– *Changes to Executive Committee*
- 8.2 RRC Job Posting, March 7, 2006
– *Vice-President, Student Services and Planning*
- 8.3 Announcement, The Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce Calendar of Events
– *Membership Luncheon – Keynote Speaker Jeff Zabudsky*
- 8.4 *The Economic Contribution of Red River College – Summary, March 10, 2006*
(Full report available at www.rrc.mb.ca under Quicklinks)

8. FOR INFORMATION (CONTINUED)

- 8.5 RRC News Release, February 27, 2006
– *RRC to Test Innovative Wall System for Manitoba Hydro’s New Head Office*
- 8.6 RRC News Release, March 8, 2006
– *RRC Hosts Science Fair for First Nations Students*
- 8.7 Manitoba Government News Release, March 8, 2006
– *Province Focusing on Increasing Access and Affordability of Post–Secondary Education through Bursaries and Scholarships*
- 8.8 *Focus* – Academic Monthly Report, February 2006
- 8.9 RRC Academic Annual Report – 2004/05
- 8.10 *Applied Research & Innovation*, Red River College Forum, Vol. 2(1), Fall 2005
Red River College Press, Winnipeg, Manitoba
- 8.11 Copy of Confidential Correspondence from J. Zabudsky, March 8, 2006
Re: 2006 Honorary Diploma Recipient

9. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

The Board agreed to sit in Committee of the Whole *in camera* at 7:50 p.m.

The Committee rose at 8:09 p.m. The Chair reported that Board members participated in an informal evaluation of the Board’s effectiveness.

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Original signed by

William Regehr
Chair

Original signed by

Kathi Gudmandson
Secretary