

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2023 VIDEO CONFERENCE

MINUTES B 23/02

IN ATTENDANCE

Governors:	Loren Cisyk, Chair Lea Clarke Jayne Geisel Kevin Gill Manpreet Kaur Gbolahan Oduntan Ruth Ola Phyllis Reid-Jarvis Ashley Richard	Regrets:	Stu Charles Jeff Doneza	
CEO:	Fred Meier, President <i>(until 6:30 µ</i>	o.m.)		

- **Secretary:** Kathi Gudmandson, Executive Administrator to the Board (*until 6:30 p.m.*)
- Administration: Christine Watson, Vice-President, Academic (until 6:20 p.m.) Jamie Wilson, Vice-President, Indigenous Strategy, Research and Business Development (until 6:20 p.m.) Lynn Zapshala-Kelln, Vice-President, Finance and Administration (until 6:20 p.m.) David Petis, Executive Director, Advancement (until 4:15 p.m.) Melanie Gudmundson, Chief Human Resource Officer (until 5:05 p.m.) Gisele Martel, Comptroller (until 5:50 p.m.)

1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

With attendance constituting a quorum, the meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

The Chair acknowledged that RRC Polytech campuses are located on the original lands of Anishinaabe, Ininiwak, Anishininiwak, Dakota, and Dene peoples, and homeland of the Red River Métis Nation. And the water we drink at our campuses in Winnipeg comes from Shoal Lake 40.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

That the Regular Meeting Agenda of February 27, 2023 be approved. – CARRIED

3. CLOSED SESSION

The Board held a Closed Session from 4:02 – 5:50 p.m. during which the following reports were provided: *Comprehensive Campaign* and *Communications and Government Relations.*

The following motions were presented:

3.1 Human Resource Information System (HRIS) Phase 1 Go Live

MOTION B 23/02/01

That the Human Resource Information System (HRIS) Phase 1 Go Live Update be received as information. – CARRIED

3.2 RRC Polytech Accessibility Plan

MOTION B 23/02/02

That the RRC Polytech Accessibility Plan Update be received as information. – CARRIED

3.3 Leadership for Academic Schools Renewal (LASR)

MOTION B 23/02/03

That the Leadership for Academic Schools Renewal (LASR) Update be received as information. – CARRIED

3.4 Finance and Audit Committee – Minutes of February 21, 2023

MOTION B 23/02/04

That the Finance and Audit Committee Minutes of February 21, 2023 be received as information. – CARRIED

3.5 Third Quarter Financial Report – 2022/23

MOTION B 23/02/05

That the Third Quarter Financial Report – 2022/23 be received as information. – CARRIED

3.6 RRC Polytechnic Budget – 2023/24

3.6.1 2023/24 Tuition and Fees Proposal

MOTION B 23/02/06

That the proposed 2023/24 RRC Polytech Tuition and Fees Proposal be approved. – CARRIED

The Board also noted the RRC Students' Association's planned fee increase.

3.6.2 2023/24 Budget Submission

MOTION B 23/02/07

That the 2022/23 RRC Polytech Budget dated February 17, 2023 be approved. – CARRIED

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – JANUARY 23, 2023

MOTION B 23/02/08

That the Minutes of the January 23, 2023 Board of Governors Meeting be approved. – CARRIED

5. REPORTS

5.1 College President Report

The President advised the Board of a number of recent events that he and others from RRC Polytech participated in. He discussed the regular *Coffee Breaks with the Senior Leadership Team* for staff to share their thoughts, ask questions, and get to know members of the senior management. Other activities he attended included a Celebration of Culture Party hosted by the College's Centre for International Education and Global Partnerships, and a meeting with the Canadian Ambassador to Israel along with the Jewish Federation of Manitoba for a tour of Manitou a bi Bii daziigae followed by a meeting with industry partners.

F. Meier reported that he hosted a Presidential Town Hall on February 9 with over 200 staff watching live to hear him discuss *One Year Since Launching our Strategic Plan: What's Next*?. The townhall was recorded for later viewing by those who could not attend the live session.

Other activities across the institution included *Open Doors* (RRC Polytech's Annual Open House) that resumed in-person attendance after two-years of being held virtually, and a number of industry-student engagement events, including the *Indigenous Student Career Fair* hosted in partnership with the Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce, and the RRC Student Association.

5.2 <u>SA President Report</u>

Student Member M. Kaur reported that nominations have closed for the RRCSA's 2023 Executive Election being held March 27 – 29. In person voting will resume this year after a two-year break due to the pandemic. The positions available are SA President and three Vice-Presidents.

Other SA-organized events in February included a 2000s night with up to 200 students attending, a Student Ski Trip to Spring Hill, MB and a *Blind Date with a Book* activity on Valentine's Day.

5.3 Employee Member Report

Employee Member J. Geisel informed the Board that College Council met on February 13. The focus of the meeting was a discussion about the impact on people's work and what the changes might mean for the future regarding the various major changes that have occurred at RRC Polytech this year. These include the Leadership for Academic Schools Renewal, a job reclassification initiative, and implementation of a new Human Resource Information System.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

6.1 <u>PSE Boards Virtual Engagement and Training Session</u>

Board members noted that Manitoba Advanced Education and Training is hosting a virtual engagement and training event in March for all board members of Manitoba's publicly funded post-secondary institutes.

7. IN CAMERA SESSION

The Administration was excused and the Board held an In Camera Session from 6:30 – 6:35 p.m. with the President and the Executive Administrator.

7.1 <u>Executive Committee – Minutes of February 17, 2023</u>

MOTION B 23/02/09

That the Minutes of the February 17, 2023 Executive Committee Meeting be received as information. – CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Signed

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Kathi Gudmandson Corporate Secretary

Loren Cisyk Chair