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# REGULAR BOARD MEETING

# MONDAY, APRIL 24, 2023 VIDEO CONFERENCE

## MINUTES B 23/04

Regrets:

### IN ATTENDANCE

Governors: Loren Cisyk, Chair

Stu Charles, Vice-Chair

Lea Clarke Jayne Geisel Manpreet Kaur Gbolahan Oduntan

Ruth Ola

Phyllis Reid-Jarvis Jeff Doneza

Kevin Gill

**CEO:** Fred Meier, President (until 5:52 p.m.)

**Secretary:** Michelle Gaudreau, Executive Assistant to the President and CEO and

Interim Executive Administrator to the Board

**Treasurer:** Lynn Zapshala-Kelln, Vice-President, Finance and Administration (until 5:28 p.m.)

**Administration:** Jamie Wilson, Vice-President, Indigenous Strategy, Research and

Business Development (until 5:28 p.m.)

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David Petis, Executive Director, Advancement (until 5:03 p.m.)
Conor Lloyd, Director, College and Public Relations (until 5:03 p.m.)
Aileen Najduch, Executive Director, Student Services and Global

Partnerships (4:04 – 4:33 p.m.)

Eddy Lau, Director, International Education (4:04 – 4:33 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 Red River College Polytechnic campuses are located on the lands of Anishinaabe, Ininiwak, Anishininwak, Dakota, and Dené, and the National Homeland of the Red River Métis. We recognize and honour Treaty 3 Territory Shoal Lake 40 First Nation, the source of Winnipeg's clean drinking water. In addition, we acknowledge Treaty Territories which provide us with access to electricity we use in both our personal and professional lives.

#### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

That the Regular Meeting Agenda of April 24, 2023 be approved. – CARRIED

#### 3. CLOSED SESSION

The Board held a Closed Session from 4:44 – 5:35 p.m. during which the following reports were provided: *Comprehensive Campaign* and *Communications and Stakeholder Relations*.

The following motions were presented:

## 3.1 <u>Presentation – International Education</u>

#### MOTION B 23/04/01

That the Presentation – International Education be received as information. – CARRIED

## 3.2 Contract for Approval

#### **MOTION B 23/04/02**

That the recommendation of signing contracts with value over \$500,000 and an anticipated start date in May 2023 be approved. – CARRIED

## 3.3 Investment Committee – Minutes of September 15, 2020 to December 13, 2022

### **MOTION B 23/04/03**

That the Investment Committee Minutes of September 15, 2020 to December 13, 2022 be received as information. – CARRIED

## 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MARCH 27, 2023

#### **MOTION B 23/03/04**

That the Minutes of the March 27, 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 participated in, including re-signing the Manitoba Collaborative Indigenous Blueprint with other Manitoba post-secondary President's, the Manitoba School Boards Association and the Provincial Government.

- F. Meier also reported that he was honored to attend the Association of Consulting Engineering Companies of Manitoba Awards of Excellence. He presented one of RRC Polytech's highest honours, the Distinguished Graduate Award to Robert Okabe, CEO and Registrar at The Certified Technicians and Technologists Association of Manitoba (CTTAM) who graduated with a diploma in Civil Engineering Technology from RRC Polytech's Civil Engineering program in 1983.
- F. Meier also reported that the RBC Reaction by Collision Community Event: Indigenous Food, Fashion, and Music was well attended The event showcased Indigenous culture and arts in Manitoba and highlighted the importance of creating space for Indigenous entrepreneurship.

## 5.2 SA President Report

Student Member M. Kaur provided an update regarding the RRCSA Executive Elections, and that the Students' Association Board ratified the Election results on April 12, 2023. Prachi Ravi Chawla is the next President of RRCSA and will also be a part of the Board of Governors.

M. Kaur reported that the SA-sponsored activity, Turban Pride Day was well attended by students, staff and Instructors at the College. Approximately 1000 metres of fabric was used to demonstrate how to tie turbans.

### 5.3 Employee Member Report

Employee Member J. Geisel reported on College Council's recent meeting where Chat GPT was discussed. A number of council members agreed that it is a tool to learn and integrate in the classroom.

### 7. IN CAMERA SESSION

The meeting adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

The Administration was excused and the Board held an In Camera Session from 5:52 – 6:14 p.m. with the President and the Interim Executive Administrator.

Loren Cisyk Chair	Michelle Gaudreau Interim Corporate Secretary
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