

SYNOPSIS OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING**PUBLIC SESSION****December 7, 2016****Recognition of UOIT Women's Soccer Team**

The meeting began with the Chair discussing the success of the UOIT Women's Soccer Team's 2016 season. She congratulated the team's coach, Peyvand Mossavat, on being selected as U Sports Coach of the Year. Coach Mossavat addressed the Board and discussed the importance of the support of UOIT staff and management to the team's success. He acknowledged that 6 members of the team are OUA all-stars and 7 members are academic All-Canadians. The team's accomplishment is a collective effort and should be celebrated by the entire university community.

The Chair thanked the team and coaches for raising the profile of the university and expressed the Board's appreciation for their success on and off the field.

Chair's Remarks

The Chair noted that time had been allotted on the agenda for community reports/presentations in case the Board received requests to speak on short notice. However, no requests were received from the community to address the Board. Further to the community presentations that were received at the last meeting, the Chair thanked D. Saucier and M. Bowman for their work on conducting further consultations and developing an updated and improved student policy against sexual violence.

The Chair also provided a brief update on the progress of the SIRC Building project.

The Chair reported on the sessions she attended at the CCOU Conference. She recommended that the governors consider attending next year's CCOU conference as it provides a lot of useful information.

President's Report

The President remarked that the celebration of the successful season of the Women's Soccer Team is a carry-over of the previous night's Awards of Excellence. It was a successful event and he noted that the awards were given to people passionate about their roles. He also mentioned that there was a long list of people who received the "10 Years of Service" award and jacket.

The President also reported that the university formally received the report on UOIT's role in reconciliation. The report sets out 6 principles used to guide UOIT's response to the call for reconciliation and identifies specific goals and actions that UOIT can take to fulfill those principles. The ceremony took place in the ACE auditorium and began with a commemoration of the École Polytechnique massacre. This was a reminder of the importance of building a safe, diverse and respectful community.

Co-Populous Report

In D. Allingham's absence, the Chair delivered the written Co-Populous Report on his behalf. Highlights of the report were:

- At the last meeting of the Durham College (DC) Board of Governors held on October 12, 2016, the Board received a presentation from staff on the 50th Anniversary Celebrations for the College;
- an update was provided by the Associate V.P., Facilities and Ancillary Services on the Centre for Collaborative Education;
- the College received \$13M in funding for the new building from the Federal Government through the Post-Secondary Institutions Strategic Investment Fund;
- \$22M was also received from the Provincial Government earlier in the year;
- more than 130 Community members came together with students from DC at the Centre for Food in Whitby for the second annual Harvest Dinner in September;
- the College's proposed Sexual Violence Policy and Protocol was approved by the Board;
- the Board received an enrolment update;
- total enrollment is 10,784 (September), which is an increase of 146 students over 2015;
- the President provided an update on the 2016-2017 Business Plan for the College; and
- an update on the College's Strategic Plan was provided to the Board.

Academic Council

T. McTiernan delivered the Academic Council report to the Board. He highlighted that Academic Council received its first request from a delegation to speak at a Council meeting. Although there is no provision in the By-laws or Handbook regarding delegations, Academic Council was happy to hear from the student delegation regarding the sexual violence policy. Further, there was an ad hoc consultation session for Council members to provide feedback on the policy and procedures against workplace violence.

Highlights from Committee Reports

Audit & Finance Committee (including Investment Committee):

The Board of Governors an update on the progress of the SIRC Building construction. C. Elliott presented a budget update to the Board, which included a review of the major budget assumptions and a 10-year forecast.

Governance, Nominations and Human Resources Committee:

The Board considered and approved the following:

1. Policy on Sexual Violence for Students and Procedures for Responding to Incidents of Sexual Violence; and
2. Policy Against Violence, Harassment & Discrimination in the Workplace and Procedures to Prevent & Address Violence, Harassment & Discrimination in the Workplace

Strategy and Planning Committee

Two recipients of the Board of Governors' Pathways Awards, Sara Mehraban and Christopher Hineman, spoke to the Board about their academic and personal goals and achievements, and the positive impact receiving the awards has had on their lives.