



**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS
PUBLIC SESSION NO. 10
Thursday, April 10, 2008 – 2:30 pm
Cranbrook Campus**

Attendance:

Board	Troy Sebastian, Chair Nick Rubidge Len Luders Jim Bailey Heather Jackson Marko Maryniak Ann Rice Sandra Roberts Fernando Arteaga Ron Toyota	Appointed Member President/CEO Appointed Member EdCo Chair Elected CUPE Appointed Member (via teleconference) Elected CORFA Appointed Member Elected Student Appointed Member
Regrets	Danielle Cardozo Andy Cohen Chris Ondrik	Elected Student Appointed Member Appointed Member
College	Dianne Teslak Doug McLachlan DJ Silva Donna Kraus-Hagerman Pat Bowron Carrie Schafer Gary Johnson Sue Bodnaruk Kathy Bonell Ron McRae	Bursar SIO/Dean of Instruction Registrar Manager, Marketing & Community Relations Director, International Affairs Manager, Tourism Knowledge Cluster Dean of Instruction Board Assistant President, CORFA Dean of Instruction
Public	Susan Uswak	

10.1 Welcome and Call to Order

The Chair welcomed guests to the called the meeting to order at 3:27 pm. Mr. Sebastian apologized for the delay in starting the Public Session.

10.2 Order of Business

Add: Correspondence – Letter from the Ministry (NR)
The Agenda was accepted as amended.

10.3 Confirmation of the Minutes: February 14, 2008 and March 13, 2008

As quorum was not met at the Public Session of the March meeting, the February 14, 2008 Minutes were brought forward to the April 10 meeting.

MOVED that the Minutes of February 14, 2008 and the Minutes of March 13, 2008 be accepted as presented.

Roberts/Toyota

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.4 Finance

10.5 (a) Finance/Audit Committee Report

Mrs. Roberts reported that the Finance Committee met earlier today and reviewed the Financial Statements in detail for the month of February 2008. The Committee approves of the direction the College is taking in regard the budget.

10.5 Monitoring Report

DJ Silva was introduced. Ms. Silva provided an update on the Strategic Enrolment Management project and answered questions from the Board. Mrs. Roberts commented that she likes the format of the document as it clearly identifies to the Board some of our goals which are being translated into action.

10.6 Unfinished General Business

None.

10.7 Business Arising and/or New Business

None.

10.8 Correspondence

A copy of the letter received from Minister Coell regarding the 2.6% cutback. Some colleges are projecting deficit budgets. Our Board will lobby through other channels we have available to us.

10.9 Items Brought Forward from the Private Agenda

None.

10.10 Linkage to Ownership

10.11 (a) Chair's Report

Mr. Sebastian reported that he was present for the SIDIT awards announcement that was being hosted in four locations in the province. He also had a telephone conversation with the Minister of Advanced Education as a follow up to the letter sent to us. Mr. Sebastian took the opportunity to raise our concerns. He also attended the BCCI/Chairs meeting in Vancouver on March 31, 2008.

10.11 (b) President's Report

Dr. Rubidge announced that we have now completed the recruitment of the new Dean. The college has offered Dr. Laura Cooper the position and she will be joining us in early May. Dr. Cooper is a former COTR student and has strong interest in First Nations issues. Dr. Rubidge also provided information on the Cummins Diesel Scholarship of \$10,000.

10.10 (c) Deans' and Directors' Reports

Each Dean and Director spoke briefly to their reports. Mrs. Kraus-Hagerman offered to present information on the Ipsos Reid Survey to the Board in the near future. Mr. Sebastian suggested that some of this information could be harnessed into our lobbying efforts.

10.10 (d) Education Council Report

The Education Council report was received and filed.

10.11 Agenda Items for Next Meeting

None.

10.12 Information and Good of the Institution

Ms. Carrie Schafer announced that after two years of working with National Geographic the National Geographic Crown of the Continent maps are now available and will be distributed throughout the college and the region. The official BC Launch of the National Geographic Crown of the Continent is planned for Thursday, May 1st at St. Eugene Golf Resort & Casino and the Board of Governors will be invited. The Launch will be held in one of the Tipi at the resort with a reception to follow in the Shuswap meeting room. Carrie will forward the information to Sue to pass on to the Board members.

Correspondence was received from CORFA asking the Board of Governors to accept an invitation from the Federation of Post-Secondary Educators of BC to develop a coordinated strategy to restore funding for public post-secondary education. In addition, CORFA invited the Board to support its efforts to have a motion passed by municipal councils and other governing bodies in our region to write the Minister of Advanced Education and express its concern over the proposed cuts to operating grants for post-secondary institutions and the impacts that those cuts will have on affordability and access for students from this community and on the ability of College of the Rockies to continue serving our community.

10.13 Questions from the Public regarding any Agenda Items

None.

10.14 Adjournment

Mr. Sebastian thanked the public for attending the Board meeting and reminded the group of the Staff Appreciation Bar-b-que starting at 4:30 pm today.

Troy Sebastian, Chair

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