



**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS  
PUBLIC SESSION NO. 9  
Thursday, March 13, 2008  
Cranbrook Campus**

Attendance:

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

**9.1 Welcome and Call to Order**

The Chair welcomed guests to the called the meeting to order at 2:53 pm. Round-table introductions were made. Mr. Sebastian welcomed Ms. Susan Uswak to the Public Session of the Board.

The Chair noted that this would be Ms. Ardy Smith Miller's last Board meeting as she heads off for retirement. Mr. Sebastian extended the Board's appreciation for her work with the College, congratulated her on a job well done and wished her well.

## **9.2 Appointment of Meeting Evaluator**

Mr. Maryniak had volunteered to evaluate the meeting.

## **9.3 Order of Business**

The Agenda was accepted as presented.

## **9.4 Confirmation of the Minutes: February 14, 2008**

As quorum was not met, these Minutes will be brought forward to the next meeting.

## **9.5 Monitoring Report**

None.

## **9.6 Finance**

### 9.5 (a) Finance/Audit Committee Report

Mr. Sebastian reported that the Committee met earlier today and reviewed the Financial Statements in detail for the month of January 2008.

## **9.7 Unfinished General Business**

It was announced that the Calvin Helin presentation will take place this afternoon starting at 4:00 pm at the Key City Theatre. Mr. Helin's presentation and appearance in Cranbrook was spearheaded by COTR Aboriginal student Danielle Cardozo.

## **9.8 Business Arising and/or New Business**

### 9.8 a. Summary of Grants Received

This report was put together as a result of the Chair requesting a summary of grant proposals that COTR was successful in receiving. The report includes funding for year to date that we have received. It was interesting to see that  $\frac{3}{4}$  of our grants are related to Aboriginal programming.

We recently received funding from the Aboriginal Financial Offices Association of BC to develop 7 online second year courses for the Aboriginal Financial Managers Diploma.

## **9.9 Correspondence**

None.

## **9.10 Items Brought Forward from the Private Agenda**

None.

## **9.11 Linkage to Ownership**

### 9.11 (a) Chair's Report

Mr. Sebastian reported that he attended "For the Love of Theatre" as a representative of the Board and introduced Joe Pierre Jr. at the Key City Theatre. It was a fantastic evening and Mr. Sebastian was impressed with the awesome local talent. He is also involved as a community member with the Aboriginal Service Plan that is being led by Rosemary Nicholas. As well, Mr. Sebastian is involved with the President's evaluation and is planning for the Chairs' meeting in Vancouver on March 31<sup>st</sup>

#### 9.11 (b) President's Report

Dr. Rubidge attended a meeting of education providers and Interior Health officials together to look at challenges in health training in the area and the need. They are very, very supportive in the work we are doing and are desperate for 5,000 nurses in the next 3 or 4 years in the Interior Health region alone. Our capacity to train using the current model cannot meet that demand.

#### 9.10 (c) Deans' and Directors' Reports

Each Dean and Director spoke briefly to their reports.

A couple of faculty members will be working over the next few months to develop a Bachelor's degree in Business and we're hoping it will give us a higher profile. We are continuing to expand the courses available for distance delivery and expand the ways in which we make those courses available. We are also looking at expanding the use of instructional television to make courses available to people throughout our region and increasing partnership opportunities with our regional public schools.

The partnership we have with Selkirk in delivering the Home Support/Resident Care program in Nakusp – we're doing the online portion and they are doing the face-to-face and will have a Selkirk and COTR joint certificate. We desperately need the Medical & Unit Clerk program they are running and we have an agreement in principle where they will do the online portion and we will do the practicum portion here. We will have a framework in place to share the revenues from tuition, FTEs and the dual certificate.

Mr. Luders asked - when talking about the nursing shortage – what is the Board's role? It may be the role of the Board to make some noise. There may be a place for Presidents and Board Chairs to get together and make a statement. The growing Aboriginal population could be a giant cohort who is not going to leave the IHA region because they have lived here so long. This item will be brought back on the agenda at some time to further discuss.

#### 9.10 (d) Education Council Report

The Education Council report was received and filed.

### **9.12 Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

None.

### **9.13 Information and Good of the Institution**

Ms. Bonell, President of the Faculty Association spoke to her report that included the Skills Canada Regional Competition where four of these high school students are currently enrolled in the College of the Rockies Welding C program under the Ace-It program.

The team of 2<sup>nd</sup> year Business students competed in a business simulation competition at Capilano College on March 6 – 8 with great success.

Richard Hewko did a workshop on Math Anxiety and remedial math at the Interior Math Conference in Kamloops on February 22<sup>nd</sup> and is talking to teachers in the Creston School district to set up mentoring sessions with a pair of math classes in St Albert, Alberta using video-conferencing. As well 18 of his students took part in the Science World BC and

were involved in the Regional Science Fair at COTR. Sandi Lavery's HKIN 162 class is again involved in the annual elementary school lessons for Steeples School and will be paired up to conduct four 45 minute lessons to elementary schools and observe 4 classes. The UVic class will be delivering Dance classes to St. Mary's School.

**9.14 Questions from the Public regarding any Agenda Items**

None.

**9.15 Adjournment**

Mr. Sebastian thanked the public for coming to the Board meeting and reminded the group of the free presentation by Calvin Helin at the Key City Theatre. Meeting was adjourned at 3:34 pm.

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Troy Sebastian, Chair

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