



**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS
PUBLIC SESSION NO. 3
Thursday, September 14, 2006 – 3:00 p.m.
Cranbrook Campus**

Present	Bob Langin (Board Chair)	Appointed Member
	Jim Bailey	Ed Co Chair
	Andy Cohen	Appointed Member
	Chris Ondrik	Appointed Member
	Ann Rice	Elected Faculty Member
	Sandra Roberts	Appointed Member
	Nick Rubidge	President and CEO
	Troy Sebastian	Appointed Member
	Ron Toyota	Appointed Member
	Mark Wagner	Elected Support Staff Member
Regrets	Bryan Flynn	Elected Student Member
	Ingrid Liepa	Elected Student Member
	Len Luders	Appointed Member
	Marko Maryniak	Appointed Member
College	Pat Bowron	Director International
	Gary Johnson	Dean of Instruction
	Denis Kielly	Director of Human Resources
	Ron McRae	Dean of Instruction
	Marianne Reinders	Board Assistant
	Ardy Smith Miller	Dean of Instruction
	Dianne Teslak	Bursar
Guests	Kathy Bonell	CORFA President
	Velma McKay	CORFA Past President

3.1 Welcome and Call to Order

Mr. Langin took the Chair and called the meeting to order at 3:10 pm. He welcomed the guests and called for round table introductions.

3.2 Order of Business

The Agenda was approved with the following amendment:

Item 3.7 was moved to follow the confirmation of the minutes and the rest of the items were renumbered accordingly.

3.3 Confirmation of the Minutes (*agenda attachment*)

The minutes of April 13, 2006 were adopted as circulated.

3.4 Business Arising and/or New Business

a) Presentation from CORFA on IPSOS Reid Poll and CORFA Advocacy Campaign.

Ms. Kathy Bonell, President of the College of the Rockies Faculty Association, and Ms. Velma McKay, Past President, delivered a presentation on the IPSOS Reid Poll and CORFA Advocacy Campaign regarding tuition fees for post secondary education in BC.

Ms. Bonell invited Dr. Rubidge and the Board to make a joint presentation to the Standing Committee on Education. Dr. Rubidge informed that the BC Presidents group does regularly make presentations to the Standing Committee.

Mr. Sebastian thanked Ms. Bonell and Ms. McKay for their presentation and expressed appreciation for the work done and the cost incurred by the Federation of Post Secondary Educators for funding the poll.

3.5 Finance

a) Finance/Audit Committee Report

Ms. Roberts reported that the Finance/Audit Committee met earlier today and reviewed their terms of reference. At the following private session of the Board, the Board appointed members to the Committee. At the next meeting of the Committee, the members will elect a Chair.

Ms. Roberts explained that the Bursar has added a “year to date adjusted budget” to the status report. The auditors have issued an unqualified audit report, which is a good indication that the finance department is working to the rules. The Board is satisfied with the finance department. The Committee will meet with the auditor for new directions for next year.

b) Summary Status Report June 2006

Ms. Teslak circulated and spoke to the status report and noted that there is nothing of concern to report. There were no questions for Ms. Teslak on the status report.

Mr. Langin noted that the report was reviewed in more detail at the Finance/Audit Committee meeting.

3.6 Monitoring Reports

a) Institutional Service Plan Report 2005/06

On behalf of Mr. McLachlan, Dr. Rubidge circulated and spoke to an Accountability Framework Performance Summary for the 2005/06 fiscal year. The information was reviewed and discussed. Dr. Rubidge addressed questions from the floor.

The challenge of course transferability was discussed at length. Ms. Ardy Smith Miller urged people to call her directly if they were aware of any transferability problems and she will try to resolve them.

3.7 Unfinished General Business

a) None.

3.8 Correspondence

a) Letter of June 26, 2006 from the Hon. Murray Coell (agenda attachment)

Mr. Langin spoke to the letter and noted the issue of executive compensation has been ongoing for several years. Dr. Rubidge informed that the government has initiated a study of executive compensation across the entire public sector.

b) Letter of July 6, 2006 from the Len Traboulay Education Fund (agenda attachment)
This letter is circulated for the Board's information.

c) Letter of August 29, 2006 from Bryan Flynn (agenda attachment)
Dr. Rubidge explained that Mr. Flynn, one of the Board's student members, has found employment and left the area. Mr. Flynn was very appreciative of his experience on the Board.

d) Ombudsman's Report from April 1 to June 30, 2006 (agenda attachment)
This report is circulated to the Board for information.

3.9 Items Brought Forward from the Private Agenda

None.

3.10 Linkage to Ownership

a) Chair's Report

Mr. Langin reported that he had attended the employee recognition dinner. This was the third one he has attended and he has enjoyed them all. He commended Ms. Kraus-Hagerman and her staff for putting together an exceptionally wonderful event.

b) President's Report (agenda attachment)

Dr. Rubidge spoke to his written report, highlighted the challenges outlined in his report and addressed questions from the floor.

c) Deans' and Directors' Reports (Agenda attachments)

The following spoke to highlights in their written reports, which were attached to the Agenda or distributed at the meeting:

- Dianne Teslak, A/Bursar
- Gary Johnson, Dean of Instruction
- Denis Kielly, Director of Human Resources and Business Operations
- Ardy Smith Miller, Dean of Instruction
- Ron McRae, Dean of Instruction

The reports of Doug McLachlan, Senior Instruction Officer and Donna Kraus-Hagerman, Manager Marketing and Community Relations were attached to the Agenda.

d) Education Council Report (agenda attachment)

Dr. Bailey's report was attached to the Agenda.

3.11 Agenda Items for Next Meeting

None.

3.12 Information and Good of the Institution

Ms. McKay reported that:

- Angie Abdou, University Studies English instructor, is thrilled about the recent publication of her collection of short stories *Anything Boys Can Do*. Her novel *The Bone Cage* is expected to be released in July.

- there was a survey specific to ABE this spring and the survey results and graphs are posted on a bulletin board downstairs.

Dr. Bailey informed that:

- the College will have a choir this year and a choir director has been hired.
- the College will be hosting a Shubert concert this month in the lecture theatre and all are invited to attend.

3.13 Questions from the Public on Any Agenda Item

None.

3.14 Meeting Evaluation

Mr. Cohen delivered his evaluation of the meeting.

3.15 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Bob Langin, Chair