

MINUTES OF THE 513<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF DAWSON COLLEGE HELD ON WEDNESDAY APRIL 14, 2021 AT 6:00 P.M. BY VIDEOCONFERENCE, WESTMOUNT, QUEBEC

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PRESENT: Stéphane Beaudet Carmela Gumelli Frank Runcie  
Kevin Contant-Holowatyj Steve Hatajlo Jamie Singerman  
Francesca Cuffaro Azra Khan Victoria Trim  
Diane Gauvin Alex McComber Anna Villalta  
Ioana Geles Nathan McDonald David Wolfson  
Michael Goldwax, Chair Émilie Richer

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Andréa Cole  
Michael Duckett

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- 513.8 DATE OF NEXT MEETING
- 513.9 ADJOURNMENT

The Chair, Michael Goldwax welcomed all to the meeting as well as new student Technical program representative Nathan McDonald who is also a DSU Student Councillor.

#### 513.1 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA OF THE 513<sup>th</sup> MEETING

It is proposed to move agenda item 513.6.6, Quality Assurance Audit Self-Evaluation Plan, to follow the adoption of the minutes.

It was moved by Steve Hatajlo, seconded by Ioana Geles, THAT THE AMENDED AGENDA OF THE 513<sup>th</sup> MEETING BE ADOPTED.

The motion was adopted unanimously.

#### 513.2 ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 512<sup>th</sup> MEETING

It was moved by Victoria Trim, seconded by Stéphane Beaudet, THAT THE MINUTES OF THE 512<sup>th</sup> MEETING BE ADOPTED.

The motion was adopted by those eligible to vote.

#### 513.3 CORRESPONDENCE & PRESENTATION

François Paradis, Director of Corporate Affairs read the following motion sent by Cathy Moore on behalf of the Nursing department, addressed to the Board of Governors regarding labour relations:

*Given that it has been more than one year since our contract expired;  
Given that government representatives lack mandates to negotiate, both at the sectoral and central table;  
Given that our demands are related to issues of precarity, professional autonomy, continuing education, the consolidation of the Cegep network, workload, and resources*

The Nursing Department of Dawson College denounces the attitude of the government toward this negotiation and demands that the government provide the necessary financial resources to allow for a satisfactory resolution to the negotiations for our contract.

Approved April 12, 2021 by Nursing Faculty

## 513.4 REPORTS

### .1 Report of the Executive Committee

Diane Gauvin, Chair of the Executive Committee reported that at the regular meeting of the Executive Committee held on March 31, 2021 the final enrolment projection of 8150 for fall 2021 was approved. Also approved was the Operating Budget (revision #2) with revenues of \$98,500,000 and expenses of \$99,605,000 for a 2020-21 budgeted deficit of \$1,105,000.

### .2 Report of the Chair of the Board

The Chair, Michael Goldwax reported that the process for the selection of the new Academic Dean is on going. The next meeting of the Selection Committee will be held on April 19 with subsequent meetings to follow. He also stated that Alex McComber stepped down from the Selection Committee. Mr. Goldwax thanked Mr. McComber for his valued assistance. The Chair also reported that the Ombuds report will be presented, following consultation with the Advisory Committee, at the June 8 Board meeting.

### .3 Report of the Director General

The Director General, Diane Gauvin reported that Devis discussions are on-going with the Ministry. She also stated that she is waiting for an announcement from the Ministry that English colleges will be capped at their enrolment of 2019.

She reported that the process regarding the new building is going forward. The Dossier d'opportunité (DO) for the project is now with the Conseil du trésor.

### .4 Report of the Academic Dean

The Academic Dean, Carmela Gumelli reported the following:

Winter 2021 teaching activities:

In planning for Winter 2021, different levels of essential in-person activities had been developed as explained at the last Board meeting. Following a directive from the Government announced last week, as of April 12, only Level 1 and Level 2.1 activities will be allowed on campus. All other activities as well as non-teaching activities have been cancelled.

Fall 2021 Admissions update:

A total of 12810 applications have been received for Fall 2021. This represents an increase of 16.1% compared to Fall 2020.

- Science – increase of 27%
- Social Science – increase of 8.5%
- ALC – increase of 22.5%
- Pre-u programs – increase of 16.5%
- Technical programs – increase of 15.1%



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.4 Delegation of Authority – Integrated Bilateral Agreement 2021

Wai Bong Shum, Director of Facilities Management presented this item by stating that the Federal Minister of Infrastructure and Communities announced the approval of projects submitted under the Integrated Bilateral Agreement (IBA) for the investing in Canada infrastructure program. The College obtains a subsidy of \$1,787,700 conditional to begin work by September 30, 2021, provisional acceptance of the work by December 2021 and the signature of an agreement between the college and the Ministry of Higher Education. The projects include the renovation of G and H wing washrooms, roofing replacement of J wing and restoration of main entrance stone walls. The IBA projects require that they begin as soon as possible, consequently the College is unable to wait for the next Board meeting.

- i) It was moved by Francesca Cuffaro, seconded by Victoria Trim, THAT THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS DELEGATES TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE THE AUTHORITY TO AWARD CONTRACTS FOR THE RENOVATION OF G AND H WINGS WASHROOMS, THE ROOFING REPLACEMENT OF J WING AND RESTORATION OF MAIN ENTRANCE STONE WALLS.

The motion was adopted unanimously.

- ii) It was moved by Steve Hatajlo, seconded by Francesca Cuffaro, THAT THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS DELEGATES TO THE DIRECTOR GENERAL THE AUTHORITY TO SIGN THE INTEGRATED BILATERAL AGREEMENT, AND ALL RELATED ADDENDA WITH THE MINISTRY OF HIGHER EDUCATION.

The motion was adopted unanimously.

.5 Sale of Parcel of Land to the Société de Transport de Montréal (STM)

Wai Bong Shum presented this item and explained that the STM approached the College to buy a small parcel of land to allow clearance of an elevator shaft at the Atwater metro station. The addition of the elevator will benefit the general public and the Dawson Community. Following consultation with the lawyers at the Fédération des cégeps, it was recommended that a sale of a portion of the property was a safe course of action.

It was moved by Stéphane Beaudet, seconded by Kevin Contant-Holowatyj, THAT THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS AUTHORIZES THE TRANSACTION FOR THE SALE OF A PARCEL OF LAND WITH THE SURFACE AREA OF 14.0 M<sup>2</sup> AND A VOLUME OF 8.5 M<sup>3</sup> UNDERGROUND TO THE SOCIÉTÉ DE TRANSPORT DE MONTRÉAL IN THE AMOUNT OF UP TO \$1,000 EXCLUDING TAXES.

.6 Quality Assurance Audit Self -Evaluation Plan

Katherine McWhaw, Coordinator of the Quality Assurance and Planning Office presented this item by stating that the Commission d'évaluation de l'enseignement collégial (CEEC) is conducting its second cycle of the evaluation of college quality assurance mechanisms and the report must be submitted in June 2020. The first step in this process is the development of an evaluation plan which is to identify the key components of the audit. Ms McWhaw reviewed the mechanisms.

It was moved by Alex McComber, seconded by Anna Villalta, THAT THEtTa0[.8 OAlt18.6 (c)-1.1

After discussion, IT WAS MOVED BY ÉMILIE RICHER, SECONDED BY KEVIN CONTANT-HOLOWATYJ TO TABLE THIS ITEM TO A FUTURE BOARD MEETING.

The motion was adopted with twelve in favour.

513.8 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next regular Board meeting is scheduled for June 8, 2021.

513.9 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:13 p.m.

Signatures:

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Michael Goldwax  
Board Chair

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François Paradis