



Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

Minutes from the Monday, May 08, 2017 Meeting
Trojans Boardroom – Campus Center

Present:

Mikayla Schaffer	Vice President External	Voting Member
Alex Dimopoulos	Vice President Academic	Voting Member
Connor Goodfellow	Vice President Student Life	Voting Member
Mitchell Holt	BOD Chair	Voting Member
Joshua Bettle	BOD Vice Chair	Voting Member
Daniel Caine	Director	Voting Member
Ha Nguyen	Director	Voting Member
Herlina Siagan	Director	Voting Member
Joshua Eway	Director	Voting Member
Naomi Movilla	Director	Voting Member
Tanya Pittis	Director	Voting Member
David Morales	Board of Governors Student Representative	Ex-Officio
Rachel Paris	Manager, Governance and Advocacy	Ex-Officio
Martin Cruz	Coordinator, Governance and Compliance	Ex-Officio
Blair McCormick	Executive Director	Ex-Officio
Jessica Polivchuk	Neutral Facilitator	Ex-Officio

On Call:

Donavin Nichols	Director	Voting Member
Harsha Bhamidipati	Director	Voting Member

Regrets:

Gar Gar	President	Voting Member
Cameron Hodgins	Director	Voting Member
Jessica Beddow	Director	Voting Member
Hayli Hinchley	Director	Voting Member
Ian Buenaventura	Director	Voting Member

Guests:

Rachel Moerschfelder	Incoming Vice President External
Alysson Torres - Gillett	Incoming Vice President Academic
Ngoc Dinh	Member

1.0 Call to order

J. Polivchuk called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

2.0 Conflict of Interest Check

No conflicts of interest noted.

3.0 Approval of Agenda

Motion:

Move to amend the agenda to remove Item #5.0 Marketing Strategy and to add Items #5.0 Open Educational Resources Video presentation, #6.0 Co-Curricular Record presentation, and a Business Item #10.1 Finance Committee Membership Ratification.

A. Dimopoulos / T. Pittis
Motion carried

Motion:

Move to approve the amended agenda as presented.

M. Holt/ H. Nguyen
Motion carried

4.0 Adoption of Minutes

Motion:

Move to table the approval of the BOD Meeting Minutes from Monday, April 10, 2017.

C. Goodfellow/ J. Bettie
Motion carried

5.0 Open Educational Resources – A. Dimopoulos

A. Dimopoulos presented a video to the Board about Open Educational Resources or OERs at SAIT. OERs are teaching, learning, and research resources that are created with the intention of being freely available to anyone at any time. OERs can be textbooks, readings, or multi-media files. For students, using OERs results in direct cost savings. Instead of purchasing textbooks, students can freely access course readings and materials online. It also brings different perspectives and provides more variety for students. Diversifying OERs is an on-going project that SAIT has been undertaking over the past couple of years.

6.0 Co-curricular Record – A. Dimopoulos

A. Dimopoulos presented on Co-curricular Records (CCRs), a project that the SAIT’s Academic Council has been working on over the past year. Academic Council struck a subcommittee that is composed of SAIT staff, students, and SAITSA staff to oversee the development of the project. CCRs will assist students with finding and tracking experiences beyond classroom and links those experiences to competencies and validates through an official institutional document. Search, Reflect, and Record are the three components of the CCRs at SAIT. A. Dimpoulos briefly touched on the CCR policy as well as the committee deliverables.

7.0 Individual Reports

Verbal reports was provided by M. Schaffer, A. Dimopoulos, C. Goodfellow, D. Morales, and B. McCormick. Written reports were circulated prior to the meeting.

8.0 Committee Reports

A. Dimopoulos presented a report on behalf of the Finance Committee. A written report has been submitted prior to the meeting.

T. Pittis presented a report on behalf of the Governance Committee. A written report has been submitted prior to the meeting. T. Pittis also thanked J. Polivchuk for her support and guidance to the Board as the Neutral Facilitator over the past year.

C. Goodfellow presented a report on behalf of the Campus Life Committee. The Campus Life Committee approved funding for additional arcade games in the Gateway during its last meeting. W. Lin, the Vice-Chair of the committee assumed the role of Chair as per SAITSA’s bylaws. Lastly, C. Goodfellow noted that the Campus Life Committee will no longer have funds to distribute in the upcoming year. The committee will focus on coming up with strategies that would assist in further enhancing student life on campus.

B. McCormick presented a report on behalf of the Student Space Advisory Committee. The committee is currently waiting for the Architect to present the schematics of the additional floor for the SAITSA HQ.

H. Nguyen presented a report on behalf of the Environmental Sustainability Ad-Hoc Committee. A written report has been submitted prior to the meeting.

9.0 Action Items

9.1 Link to Agenda Packages Uploaded on the website M. Cruz

Completed and an email has been circulated with the link to access the agenda packages.

10.0 Business Items

10.1 Finance Committee Membership Ratification

Motion:

Move to ratify R. Moerschfelder and H. Nguyen as members of the Finance Committee.

A. Dimopoulos/ C. Goodfellow

Motion carried

H. Nguyen abstains

11.0 Information/Discussion

11.1 Watson’s Governance Review – Summary of Findings Workshop

R. Paris

R. Paris updated the Board on the Governance Review that SAITSA is currently undertaking with the help of Watson Inc. Fifteen Board Members and SAITSA staff attended the Summary of Findings Workshop last Saturday, April 29. R. Paris noted that it was a full day of governance learning and reviewing the results from the survey and the one-on-one interviews that Watson conducted in late March. The Governance & Advocacy Department took notes during the meeting and will be circulated once final edits are finished. The next steps of the Governance Review will depend on the Road Map.

11.2 In – Camera Session

Motion:

Move the meeting in camera

A. Dimopoulos/ C. Goodfellow

Motion carried

B. McCormick, R. Paris, M. Cruz and noted guests were asked to leave the room.

Motion:

Move the meeting ex-camera

C. Goodfellow/ A. Dimopoulos

Motion carried

B. McCormick, R. Paris, M. Cruz and noted guests were invited back to the room.

12.0 Questions/Adjournment

J. Polivchuk adjourned the meeting at 7:19pm.

BOD Chair

Approved Date:

President