

Meeting – July 8, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

Penthouse – Senator Burns – 12th Floor

Present:

Bekah Callaghan	BOD Chair	Voting Member
Alex Sutherland	BOD Vice Chair	Voting Member
Zain Bukhari	Director	Voting Member
Matthew Busby	Director	Voting Member
Delmoy Daley	Director	Voting Member
Ben Goud (Phone-In)	Director	Voting Member
Tim Holowachuk	Director	Voting Member
Tola Jimoh	Director	Voting Member
Yatendra Solanki	Director	Voting Member
Kaylee Taylor	Director	Voting Member
Ryan Morstad	President	Voting Member
Garrett Koehler	Vice President External	Voting Member
Jessica Beddow	Vice President Student Life	Voting Member
Joy Bowen-Eyre	Neutral Facilitator	Non-Voting
Marc Stromme	SAITSA Executive Director	Non-Voting
Rachel Paris	SAITSA Manager, Governance & Advocacy	Non-Voting
Rio Valencerina	SAITSA Coordinator, Governance	Non-Voting

Regrets:

Tanya Pittis	Vice President Academic	Voting Member
Rigel Raju	Board of Governors Student Representative	Non-Voting

Agenda Item

1.0 Call to Order:

B. Callaghan called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m.

2.0 Acknowledgement of Traditional Indigenous Territories:

T. Jimoh gave the Acknowledgement of Traditional Indigenous Territories.

3.0 Conflict of Interest Check:

B. Callaghan reminded the Board of Conflicts of Interest.



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4.0 Approval of the Agenda:

Motion:

To approve the agenda as amended.

A. Sutherland/B. Callaghan

12-0-0

Motion Carried

5.0 Oath of Office – Y. Solanki

B. Callaghan administered the Board of Directors Oath of Office for Y. Solanki.

6.0 Adoption of Minutes:

6.1 Regular Meeting of the Board from June 3, 2019

Motion:

To approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board from June 3, 2019.

T. Holowachuk/D. Daley

11-0-2

Motion Carried

7.0 Apprenticeship Presentation

M. Merrick presented to the Board regarding Apprentices and Trades in Alberta and how Saitsa can provide more value to and support for apprentice students at SAIT. M. Merrick listed various Apprentice concerns including:

- Apprentices and summer instructors lack access to the same level of services that are provided during Fall and Winter semesters.
- Perceived value of the Trades in society and on campus.
- Time-frames to complete modules are too short.
- Advocating for standards in industries and trades (e.g., Carpentry)
- Access to funding for those who are self-employed.

When asked what programs or events on campus Apprentices enjoy and attend, M. Merrick indicated that most apprentices adhere to strict class, exam and study schedules, which largely prohibits engagement. If provided more chances to get involved, they may get more involved. M. Merrick gave the example of a Trades Appreciation day, where students and people can ask tradespeople about trades and the value they bring to society.

The Board thanked M. Merrick for his time and commitment to advocating on behalf of Apprentices.

8.0 Individual Reports:

8.1 President

Report as submitted.



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8.2 Vice President External

Report as submitted.

8.3 Vice President Academic

Report as submitted.

8.4 Vice President Student Life

Report as submitted.

9.0 Committee Reports:

9.1 Finance Committee

K. Taylor reported that the committee has not met. The next meeting of the committee will be in September.

9.2 Governance Committee

R. Morstad reported that the committee met and reviewed the Ad-hoc Advocacy Committee Terms of Reference and recommended various amendments to the Board.

9.3 Nominations Committee

B. Callaghan reported that the committee has not met. The committee will be meeting to discuss the performance review of the Neutral Facilitator.

9.4 Advocacy Committee

The committee met to advise the Vice President External regarding priorities, “Red-tape” reduction asks, and priorities with external lobby groups.

10.0 Action Items:

10.1 Nominations Committee – Board Vacancies

B. Callaghan reported that one vacancy was filled by Y. Solanki and that no other vacancies shall be filled this term due to the limited amount of engagement remaining in the term. Y. Solanki will receive training and onboarding immediately via the Governance & Advocacy Department.

11.0 Business Items:

11.1 Saitsa Bank Accounts

M. Stromme provided a brief history of Saitsa’s bank accounts.

Motion:

Move that the Executive Director be authorized to open a bank account for Saitsa with the Alberta Treasury Branches (ATB) with the purpose of holding Saitsa’s Capital Asset funds. The name of the account will be called “Capital Assets”.

G. Koehler/Z. Bukhari
12-0-1
Motion Carried

Motion:

Move that the Executive Director be authorized to open a bank account for Saitsa with the Alberta Treasury Branches (ATB) with the purpose of holding Saitsa’s Restricted Building funds. The name of the account will be called “Restricted Building Fund”.



K. Taylor/R. Morstad
12-0-1
Motion Carried

11.2 Health & Dental RFP Recommendation

Motion:

To move In-Camera without R. Valencerina present.

B. Callaghan/M. Busby
12-0-1
Motion Carried

*D. Daley was excused from the meeting at 7:12 p.m.
The meeting moved in-camera at 7:12 p.m.*

Motion:

To move Out-of-Camera.

B. Callaghan/A. Sutherland
11-0-1
Motion Carried

The meeting moved out of camera at 7:13 p.m.

Motion:

To move In-Camera with online guests and without R. Valencerina present.

K. Taylor/T. Holowachuk
11-0-1
Motion Carried

The meeting moved in camera at 7:14 p.m.

Motion:

To move Out-of-Camera.

G. Koehler/Z. Bukhari
11-0-1
Motion Carried

The meeting moved out of camera at 7:32 p.m.

Motion:

To approve the recommendation from the Health & Dental RFP Selection Committee to award the Health & Dental contract to The Campus Trust as Saitsa's Health & Dental provider.

G. Koehler/J. Beddow
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J. Bowen-Eyre joined the meeting at 7:44 p.m.



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11.3 Ad-Hoc Advocacy Committee Terms of Reference

R. Morstad reported that the Governance Committee met and made recommendations to the board for amendments to the Committee's ToR's.

R. Morstad met with G. Koehler to discuss these changes, and the following additional changes were made:

- Instead of "Co-chaired by the Vice President External and Vice President Academic":
 - Chair – Vice President External
 - Co-Chair – Vice President Academic
- "One Ex-Officio Saitsa Staff Resource" was changed to "One Ex-Officio Saitsa Staff Resource from Governance and Advocacy."

Motion:

To approve the amended Advocacy Terms of Reference.

R. Mortad/J. Beddow
12-0-0
Motion Carried

12.0 Information/Discussion:

12.1 August 12th BOD Meeting

B. Callaghan provided background information regarding reasons why the Board may not need to meet in August.

ACTION: B. Callaghan will notify the Board by July 22, 2019 if the Board will meet on August 12th, 2019.

12.2 Executive Director Report

M. Stromme reported to the Board.

12.3 In-Camera

Motion:

To Move In-Camera with online guests, and without staff.

B. Callaghan/B. Goud
12-0-0
Motion Carried

The meeting moved in-camera at 8:12 p.m.

13.0 Questions/Adjournment:

Motion:

To Move Out-of-Camera.

M. Busby/K. Taylor
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The meeting moved out of camera at 8:26 p.m.



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The meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

