NORTHWESTERN POLYTECHNIC BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Special Board Meeting

Friday, June 30th, 2023 2:00 – 3:00 PM | NWP Executive Office E211



In Attendance: Shawna Miller Brent Cage Justin Kohlman

Tegan Martin-Drysdale Lorne Radbourne Johan Bolton

Connie Korpan Lydell Torgerson Heather Kerschbaumer

Kevin Szakacs Andrew Pietsch Brooklyn Broaders

Guests: Georgia Greenwood-Duncan Karl Germann Vanessa Sheane

Melanie Pack

1. Call to Order - 2:02pm

Territory Acknowledgement: We acknowledge the homeland of the many diverse First Nations and Métis people whose ancestors have walked this land since time immemorial. We are grateful to work, live and learn on the traditional territory of Treaty 8.

2. Annual Report

The Board Chair indicated the intent for this specially called meeting is to discuss NWPs 2022-2023 Annual Report which is required by the Ministry. Initially the intent was to make a decision at the June 1 meeting. However, the auditors were not able to complete their work in time and therefore, the board decided it would wait until the full package was complete, it would then be reviewed by the Finance subcommittee and once appropriate sent to the board for approval via email. The finance committee reviewed the material, made the edits, and on June 13 put the annual report forward with the motion to approve it. Some members raised concerns. In the original email from Finance it indicated if any large concerns needed to be addressed a special meeting would be called. That meeting was set for today.

2.1 NWP 2022-2023 Annual Report

Moved by Lydell Torgerson, seconded by Kevin Szakacs that the Board of Governors approve the 2022-2023 Annual Report as per the attachment that was circulated.

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An amendment was put forward by Heather Kerschbaumer to amend the motion to read:

Moved by Heather Kerschbaumer that the Board of Governors approve the 2022-23 Annual Report once all references to the Campus Master Plan are removed for further discussion.

Motion was defeated

Approval of the 2022-2023 Annual Report was passed with the motion being opposed by Heather Kerschbaumer and Tegan Martin-Drysdale.

The Board Chair indicated that a third party will be employed by the board to review processes to address any questions board members might have. This process will include interviewing board members and determining what, if any, actions might be improved in the future. An appropriate individual will be selected as soon as possible.

The Board Chair acknowledged a written request for information from a board member. Though the request is operational, and proper process is to go to the entire board at a future meeting and make a collective decision if it's appropriate, given the timelines and with a goal to build trust amongst the board, she indicated she made the request of executive to provide a summary to address the questions.

Justin Kohlman and Karl Germann provided a more detailed summary outlining overall costs of housing remediation at Fairview, timelines of companies who have provided information, and some more detailed slides from the operational report.

3. Next Board Meeting

The next NWP Board of Governors meeting is scheduled for October 19th, 2023