# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE DOUGLAS COLLEGE BOARD Open Session

# October 22, 2009 New Westminster Campus Boardroom

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Approved November 19, 2009

**ATTENDANCE** 

Board Members: B. Clarke, D. Guedes, M. Hwang, S. McAlpine (ex-officio), M. Regan,

M. Russell, P. Wates (Chair)

Regrets: G. Bowbrick, M. Hemmingsen, P. Kendrick, S. Meshwork (ex-officio)

Observers: M. Ferley, P. Wilkins; regrets from A. lachelli

Administration: B. Barber, J. Carrie, M. Exmann, K. Maynes, H. Postma, C. Worsley;

regrets from B. Jensen, G. Ouyang

Recording: S. Donnelly

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Paul Wates called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m., welcoming participants and relaying regrets from Graeme Bowbrick, Mary Hemmingsen, Peter Kendrick, Susan Meshwork, Alessandro Iacheilli, Blaine Jensen and Guangwei Ouyang. He noted that the matter of quorum had been investigated given the three vacancies on the Board and the evening's anticipated absences, and that it was appropriate to establish quorum on the basis of a simple majority of the existing Board membership.

#### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Mike Russell, seconded by Mike Regan and unanimously resolved:

33/2009 THAT the agenda be approved as distributed.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SEb, C. W5DtQ9T/TT4 1 TfwaVAL 41P2 .Em3G.0261 Twbfqb.56rum bd by

# 7. **REPORTS**, cont'd

- 7.3 President
- 7.3.1 President's Report

The President reported on strong enrolment growth, which was up seven percent overall – and up 12% in university transfer courses – this semester. He reported that, as a launch of the strategic planning process, a survey would be posted to the President's website for a ten-day period on October 23, 2009. The President planned to hold a meeting with the strategic planning advisory group in early November 2009, after his return from a one-week trip to join Associate Vice President, International Education Guangwei Ouyang in China.

Scott McAlpine reported that advocacy for the Evergreen Line Rapid Transit Project represented a common theme in all his meetings to date with area politicians – mayors, MLAs and MPs. He looked forward to Minister Stilwell's visit the following day, and intended to acknowledge and thank the Minister for the government's support of BC colleges.

On the President's invitation, Jan Carrie updated Board members on a collaboration with the Vancouver Organizing Committee for the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games (VANOC). She reported that this initiative, supported by BC Colleges (BCC) Presidents, resulted in Douglas College posting opportunities for those of our students interested in securing three-month jobs with the 2010 Olympics, at a salary of \$7,500 for the three months. Douglas College posted the opportunity within two days of developing the agreement; this represented an opportunity not only for students currently engaged in ongoing or co-operative education, but also for students who are not currently enrolled but have studied at the College in the recent past. Scott McAlpine thanked Jan Carrie and all involved at Douglas College for taking on this project on very short notice.

# 7.3.2 Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) Grant Proposal: Youth Internship Program

Scott McAlpine noted the details, contained in Board members' agenda packages, on the College's intended application to CIDA. Jan Carrie, who with Guangwei Ouyang was a proponent of the application, highlighted the potential internship opportunities for Douglas College graduates to work in Uganda and build on mental health and dental health projects Douglas College has already undertaken in that country.

It was moved by David Guedes, seconded by Michael Hwang and unanimously resolved:

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THAT the Douglas College Board support Douglas College's application to the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) for a grant under its International Youth Internship Program

### 8. BOARD COMMITTEES AND LIAISON

- 8.1 Audit and Finance Committee
- 8.1.1 Planned Activities

The Chair reported that, since all three Audit and Finance committee members were unfortunately unable to attend the evening's Board meeting, committee Chair Peter Kendrick had provided him a report