

Minutes of the Special Board of Governors Meeting Wednesday, October 25, 2023

Minutes of the special meeting of the Board of Governors (Board) of the Ontario College of Art and Design University (OCAD U or the University) held via videoconference at 8:30 a.m. on the 25th day of October 2023.

- Present: Colleen Baldwin, David Belous (items 4 and 5), David Binet, Elizabeth Dipchand (items 4 and 5), Alea Drain, Dave Forestell (item 4), Luciana Gomes Da Silva, Jules Goss, Mark Hanrahan, Brenda Hogan (Board Chair), Abel Juarez (items 4 and 5), Roma Khanna, Jarret Leaman (items 4 and 5), Gail Lee (item 4), Hillary Marshall (item 4), Mohsen Mortada, Ernesto Ramirez, Ana Serrano (President), b.h. Yael, and Jaime Watt.
- In Attendance: Tanya Bowes, Board Secretary & Director, Strategic Planning (BSDSP), Julie Nantais, Governance and Information/Privacy Officer, and Alan Simms, Vice-President, Finance & Administration (VPFA).

Regrets: Julie Di Lorenzo, Lalit Guglani, Richard Hunt, Kevin Reid-Morris, Heather Robson, and Lucy Song.

1. Welcome, Constitution of Meeting, and Opening Remarks

Brenda Hogan, Board Chair, welcomed members via videoconference to the special Board of Governors meeting, which was duly constituted with quorum present.

She acknowledged the ancestral territories of the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Haudenosaunee, the Anishinaabeg and the Huron-Wendat, who are the original owners and custodians of the land on which we work, stand and create.

The Board Chair welcomed new Board member b.h. Yael.

2. Approval of Special Board Agenda for October 25, 2023

On motion made by Jules Goss, seconded by Gail Lee and adopted, it was resolved that the Board of Governors approve the agenda of the October 25, 2023 special meeting, as presented.

On motion made by Dave Forestell, seconded by Mohsen Mortada and adopted, it was resolved that the Board of Governors take the meeting *in camera* at 8:37 a.m.



3. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest

The Board Chair asked for declarations of conflicts of interest for any *in camera* agenda items from Board members. No conflicts were declared.

4. Strategic Initiative/Partnership

As part of the advanced materials for this meeting, Board members received confidential briefing materials for this item.

The VPFA presented the Board with a potential opportunity for the University to participate in a time sensitive strategic initiative/partnership in downtown Toronto.

As the meeting had exceed the scheduled time and Board members had to leave, the Chair informed the Board that due to a loss of quorum another special Board meeting would be scheduled to address all outstanding questions and to take the final vote.

5. Termination

On motion made by Alea Drain, seconded by Colleen Baldwin and adopted, it was resolved that the Board of Governors take the meeting out of *in camera* and terminate the meeting at 9:41 a.m.

Next meeting: Monday, December 4, 2023.

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Lanita Layton, Board Chair

Tanya Bowes, Board Secretary