

**Brandon University Board of Governors
Special Meeting
(Open Session)**

**Thursday, August 15, 2019
Louis Riel Room
9:00 a.m.**

Present: S. Chambers (A/Chair); H. Mumin; O. Akintola; W. Hodgins; K. Auriat; J. Galvin; T. Rourke; T. Corbett; D. Docherty; G. Jackson; K. Kerkowich; B. Zander (via teleconference)

Resource: S. Lamont, K. Fisher (recorder)

Regrets: M. Decter, L. Ross, S. Robinson

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

2.0 AGENDA AND MINUTES

2.1 Approval of Agenda of August 15, 2019

Motion: Moved and seconded (W. Hodgins/G. Jackson)

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda of the August 15, 2019, of the Board of Governors special meeting (Open Session) be approved as amended:

Addition: 4.0 Move to In Camera Session

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CARRIED AS
AMENDED**

2.2 Move to Closed Session

Motion: Moved and seconded (H. Mumin/G. Jackson)

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting move to Closed Session.

CARRIED

2.3 Motion(s) Raised from Closed Session

No motions were raised from Closed Session.

K. Auriat departed the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

3.0 NEW BUSINESS

3.1 Motion: 2020 – 2021 Budget

Motion: Moved and seconded (D. Docherty/W. Hodgins)

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Governors approve the 2020-21 Budget proposal, as recommended by the Board Budget Committee.

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Dr. Docherty reported that the University received the Province's request for our 2020-2021 budget proposal in late June with an earlier than usual deadline of August 6th. The University's proposal was submitted on August 6, 2019, as required, subject to the approval of the Board. The Board Budget Committee met on July 12th to discuss the new budget process and were presented with an earlier version of the proposal. Members of the Board Budget Committee submitted a number of questions to the executive, including a question about the possibility of submitting a more comprehensive listing of capital projects. It was noted that this was not consistent with the request from the Province but such a listing will be made available to the Board Budget Committee as well as to the Board of Governors. The Board Budget Committee approved its recommendation by e-vote on August 8th; thus, a second meeting of the Committee was not required.

Mr. Lamont noted that a number of assumptions, as determined by the Province, were incorporated into the proposal, including a 3.75% increase in tuition fees and a grant increase of 0%. A lot of work is yet to be done on the 2020 – 2021 budget, including campus consultations, given that it will not come into effect until April 1, 2020. Consistent with previous years' timing, in May 2020 a detailed and balanced budget for the entire enterprise will be presented to the Board for consideration and, following its approval, quarterly reporting to the Province will commence on the on-going status of the budget.

It was noted that the President's Executive Council has established an objective to return to a balanced budget position (i.e. no use of previous year's surplus to balance the current year's budget) within a two-year period. In an effort to work

towards this objective, a proposal will be presented to the Board later this fall for consideration.

CARRIED

4.0 IN CAMERA SESSION

4.1 Move to In Camera

Motion: Moved and seconded (T. Rourke/H. Mumin)

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting move to In Camera Session.

CARRIED

5.0 ADJOURNMENT

Moved (G. Jackson/K. Kerkowich)

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the meeting adjourn at 11:43 a.m.

CARRIED

Chair, Board of Governors

Secretary, Board of Governors