

**Board Members:** 

Guests:

Mr. Vincent Vavrek, Chair

Mr. Pete Merlo, Vice-Chair

Ms. Jenna Backer

Ms. Jackie Clayton, notice of absence

Mr. Don Gnatiuk, President and CEO

Ms. Debra Gustavson

Susan Bansgrove, Vice-President Academics

and Research

Carmen Haakstad, Vice-President External

Relations

Mr. Bryan Gouthro

Mr. Drew Lamont Mr. Tab Pollock

Ms. Anita Luck

Mr. Doug Morris, notice of absence

Mr. Stewart Wilson

Laurie Sutherland, Vice-President

Administration

Renée LaBoucane, Manager Community

Stewardship, West Yellowhead

# 1. CONSENT AGENDA

### 1.1. Adoption of April 25, 2013 Agenda

The Chair called to order the public session of April 25, 2013, at 8:00 p.m. and called for additions or deletions to the agenda. One addition was noted:

2.6 GPRC Program Suspension

### 1.2. Adoption of March 28, 2013 Minutes

The Chair called for errors or omissions to the March 28, 2013 Minutes of the Board of Governors meeting. The Minutes of March 28, 2013 were approved as corrected.

### 2. GOVERNANCE

### 2.1. Governance Process Policies

## 2.1.1 GP6 Board Linkage with Ownership and GP7 Board Linkage with Organizations

**MOVED** by D. Lamont, seconded by P. Merlo, that the Board of Governors has assessed its performance with the Governance Process Policy GP6 Board Linkage with Ownership and GP7 Board Linkage with Organizations and agrees that the Board of Governors acts consistently, and is in compliance with the intent of the policy.

CARRIED 5539/2013

The Board Chair thanked D. Lamont for his thorough assessment the Board's performance in regards to these policies. The effort taken to diligently perform this task greatly benefits the Board's awareness and understanding.



### 2.2 Board of Governors Honouraria and Stipend

The Board of Governors reviewed the amount allocated for meeting honouraria and monthly stipend and agreed that given the current economic times, the Board will not increase either of these amounts in 2013-2014.

**MOVED** by T. Pollock, seconded by J. Backer, that the Board of Governors sustain its 2012-2013 Board of Governors remuneration as follows:

Board Chair: \$4,107.96/year Board Members: \$2,484/year

Board related activity where attendance is required:

\$45 for < 4 hours/day \$90 for > 4 hours/day

**CARRIED** 5540/2013

The Board of Governors activity honouraria has remained the same since 1988. Monthly stipend, with the exception of the Board Chair, has remained the same since 1989.

### 2.3 GPRC 2013-2014 Tuition Fee

The Board of Governors made a motion in January approving the tuition fee increase for 2013-2014 based on the legislated allowable increase. Given the current fiscal situation and a recent decision made by the Minister of Enterprise and Advanced Education, students will not be subject to an increase in tuition fees in 2013-2014. Therefore an amendment to the decision is required.

**MOVED** by J. Backer, seconded by A. Segal, that the Board of Governors rescind motion #5518/2013 passed at the January 24, 2013 Board of Governors meeting. The Minutes of January 24, 2013 will be amended to reflect this decision.

CARRIED 5541/2013

**MOVED** by D. Gustavson, seconded by T. Pollock, that the Board of Governors approves maintaining the current tuition fee at 2012-2013 rates for the 2013-14 academic year.

CARRIED 5542/2013



### 2.4 EL 6 Succession Planning

The Board of Governors received the CEO Monitoring Report on Executive Limitation Succession Planning. The organizational chart was circulated as additional supporting documentation.

**MOVED** by P.Merlo, seconded by D. Lamont, that the GPRC Board of Governors has read the CEO monitoring report on EL6 Succession Planning, and has assessed that the interpretation is reasonable, and that the evidence sufficiently demonstrates compliance with the interpretation.

**CARRIED** 

Abstention: D. Gnatiuk 5543/2013

#### 2.5 END: Relevant Skills for Success

The Board of Governors received the CEO Monitoring Report on Board End, Relevant Skills for Success.

**MOVED** by T. Pollock, seconded by A. Luck, that the GPRC Board of Governors has read the CEO monitoring report on End, Relevant Skills for Success, and has assessed that the interpretation is reasonable, and that the evidence sufficiently demonstrates compliance with the interpretation.

CARRIED

Abstention: D. Gnatiuk 5544/2013

### 2.6 GPRC Program Suspension

The Board of Governors was informed of three programs that Executive is recommending for suspension due to sustained low enrolments.

**MOVED** by S. Wilson, seconded by D. Lamont, that the GPRC Board of Governors approves recommending to Alberta Enterprise and Advanced Education the suspension of the following programs due to sustained low enrolment effective July 1, 2013:

- Outdoor Power Equipment Technician
- Active Aging
- General Mechanics

**CARRIED** 5545/2013



#### 3.0 CEO REPORTS

### 3.1 Issues of Enterprise Risk

Based on the earlier report in the Committee of the Whole, the Board of Governors received the report on issues of enterprise risk from the President for consideration and information.

### 3.2 Recognition

The President provided the recognitions of staff and community to the Board electronically.

#### 3.3 Other

- GPRC is currently undergoing comprehensive safety and policy audits.
- The President provided an update and overview of impacts from the 2013-2014 budget.
- ACCC and AUCC joint committee will create a national platform for communications and establishment of cohesive positions on common issues between institutions.
- Presidents of all Alberta institutions are meeting and working collectively to improve the student experience.

#### 4.0 Self-Evaluation of Governance Process

Board members received the Board meeting self-evaluation form. Members were asked to complete and submit the form. Results will be discussed at the May meeting.

#### 5.0 Round Table

- Board members agreed that the meeting was comprehensive, constructive and very productive.
   It is always worthwhile to hold Board meetings throughout the stewardship region and Hinton staff and community are extremely welcoming.
- Board members also expressed their appreciation to Executive, understanding the daunting task
  of balancing a budget in very difficult financial circumstances. The Board is confident in the
  process employed by the CEO and Executive to undertake the challenge.
- Board members extended their best wishes to Jenna Backer, who is attending her final meeting, acknowledging her impact to student life during her two terms as President of the Students' Association.
- Board members congratulated the President on his appointment to the AUCC/ACCC Joint Council.

### 6.0 Adjournment

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Vincent C. Vavrek, Chair

Maureen Clarke, Secretary