



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS
OF GRANDE PRAIRIE REGIONAL COLLEGE
GRANDE PRAIRIE REGIONAL COLLEGE, E211,
JANUARY 22, 2009, 3:00 P.M.**

Board Members: Mr. Michael O'Connor, Chair
 Ms. Leilani Boucher, notice of absence
 Mr. Tom Brewer
 Mr. Don Gnatiuk
 Mr. Richard Horner
 Mr. Daniel Lemieux, notice of absence
 Ms. Wendy McMillan, notice of absence
 Mr. Grant Menzies, notice of absence
 Ms. Vi Sunohara
 Mr. Rory Tarant
 Mr. Vince Vavrek

Guests: Mr. Carmen Haakstad
 Ms. Lynne Ness
 Mr. Christopher Mills, Daily Herald-Tribune

CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called to order the public session of the meeting at 3:05 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The Board Chair called for amendments to the Agenda of January 22, 2009.

MOVED by D. Gnatiuk, seconded by V. Vavrek, the Agenda of January 22, 2009 is approved as received.

**CARRIED
5254/2009**

MINUTES OF DECEMBER 11, 2008

The Chair called for errors or omissions in the December 11, 2008 Minutes.

MOVED by D. Gnatiuk, seconded by T. Brewer the Minutes of December 11, 2008 are approved as received.

**CARRIED
5255/2009**

MONITORING EXECUTIVE PERFORMANCE**EL-2 Financial Planning and Budgeting**

MOVED by T. Brewer, seconded by V. Vavrek, the Board of Governors accept the monitoring report of EL-2 Financial Planning and Budgeting as in compliance with, and as a reasonable interpretation of all aspects of the policy.

CARRIED
5256/2009

EL-5 Compensation and Benefits

MOVED by R. Horner, seconded by V. Sunohara, the Board of Governors accept the monitoring report of EL-5 Compensation and Benefits as in compliance with, and as a reasonable interpretation of all aspects of the policy.

CARRIED
5257/2009

REQUIRED APPROVALS AGENDA**2009/2010 Academic Schedule**

MOVED by D. Gnatiuk, seconded by V. Vavrek, the Board of Governors approves the recommended 2009-2010 Academic Schedule.

CARRIED
5258/2009

Notification will be issued from the Board of Governors to Academic Council that while the Board sees the Academic Schedule as a value resource and wishes to continue receiving the approved Academic Schedule for information and planning purposes, it has determined that approval of the Academic Schedule falls within the means of the President's Office and outside of the purview of governance.

The Board of Governors recommends Academic Council amend its Bylaws to no longer require that the Board of Governors approve the GPRC Academic Schedule.

INFORMATION REQUIRED FOR FUTURE DECISION-MAKING**2008/2009 Employee Satisfaction Survey**

The President submitted to the Board of Governors the results of the 2008/2009 Employee Satisfaction Survey. Institutional Research and Planning Officer D. Thomson presented an analysis of the results in the Committee of the Whole. Even the lowest elements in this survey have significant approval ratings. Copies of the survey are available on reserve in the Library.

INCIDENTAL INFORMATION

CEO REPORT

The President reported on recent contacts and activities:

- The FLE trend. For the first time in six years, GPRC is showing growth in its enrolment numbers. The President challenged the organization to reach 2700 FLE's by the year 2017/2018. The President credits the institutional climate for this pre-economic bust increase.
- Appointment to an AACTI Committee which will explore the challenges of senior administration succession planning among Alberta institutions.
- Ongoing discussions with City of Grande Prairie officials
- The Vice-President Fairview position should be filled in next two weeks.
- The Institutional Research and Planning Officer position has been filled.
- Finning has agreed to sign a partnership agreement with GPRC for the foreseeable future.
- A meeting has been arranged with Deeley Harley-Davidson to formalize a partnership.
- An external consultant has completed an evaluation of the President.

The President recognized the following individuals for value-added contributions:

- Instructor Campbell Ross has been nominated by GPRC for the ACCC Excellence in Teaching award.
- Kathy Weber, Administrative Assistant in Health, Wellness and Career Studies, has been featured in the Daily Herald-Tribune 'Behind the Scenes'.
- Jane Howes, Instructor in Human Services, has had an article - 'Swedish Multi-Cultural Language School' - published in the Journal of the Canadian Association for Young Children.
- Jerry Petryshyn secured grant funding in the amount of \$90,000 for the Bachelor of Science and Nursing Program expansion and \$26,241 through the Health Workforce Action Plan 2008 for lifting equipment in Nursing.
- Marian Mark, Human Resources, is recognized for the extra effort made to research and implement improvements to the employee benefit plan, without additional cost to the employer or the College.
- Paul McNeil, Palaeontologist, was featured on CBC's Nature of Things.
- Carmen Haakstad and the Community Relations staff are recognized for the quality of the latest Wisdom Magazine.

CHAMBER HEALTH ADVOCACY COMMITTEE REPORT

V. Sunohara reported for the President on the role of the Chamber Health Advocacy Committee meeting. No additional meetings have taken place over the past month. The Committee is hoping to hire support to put together a proposal to present to the Ministers of Alberta Advanced Education and Technology, and Alberta Health and Wellness to establish an action committee for medical training in northwest Alberta.

The Committee will be submitting a request to GPRC for funding to support this initiative.

OWNERSHIP LINKAGE PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD

The following ownership linkage sessions were confirmed:

- GPRC and the Peace Wapiti School Division Board of Trustees on Thursday, February 26, 11:30 – 1:00 p.m. in the Peace Wapiti School Division Board Room.
- GPRC and the Grande Prairie and District Chamber of Commerce, on Monday, March 9, 11:30 – 1:30 in the Centre 2000 Al Robertson Room. The meeting is scheduled for two hours in order to accommodate presentations by both parties.
- The MD of Greenview will be contacted next for an ownership linkage session.

EVALUATION OF GOVERNANCE PROCESS AT THIS MEETING

Board members received in their Board packages the Board meeting self-evaluation form. Members completed the form and handed it in for compilation and discussion at the February meeting.

ROUNDTABLE

Board members comments:

- It is important that the President be in attendance at all Board meetings. If he cannot be present, the affected meeting should be moved.
- Appreciation was extended to V. Vavrek for presenting to the College the original flags that flew in front of GPRC more than 30 years ago.
- The Board Chair is commended for a well-run meeting.
- The Students' Association Lounge will reopen, possibly under a new name, in March.
- The Students' Association is recognizing World Awareness Week again this year to educate staff and students on world issues. John Williams, Former MP, now Chair of the Global Organizations of Parliamentarians Against Corruption, will speak at GPRC on March 4.
- Tom Brewer gave his final comments to the Board members, as this is his last meeting. Tom is comfortable stepping down at this time while there is much enthusiasm and the College is under strong leadership. Tom was privileged to be part of the GPRC Board and extends his gratitude and appreciation to each Board member and the support staff.

- Board members expressed their farewells to Tom Brewer. Tom's counsel and guidance over past years has helped to get the Board to where it is today and he will be missed.

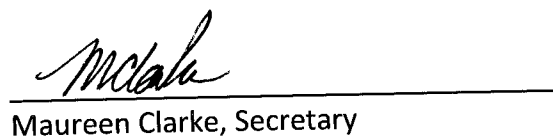
ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by R. Horner, seconded by V. Vavrek, the Board of Governors adjourns the public meeting at 4:35 p.m.

CARRIED
5259/2009



Michael P. O'Connor, Chair



Maureen Clarke, Secretary