



**Board of Governors  
Public Meeting Minutes  
August 27, 2015, 1:00 p.m.  
GPRC E211**

**In Attendance:** Mr. Pete Merlo, Chair  
Mr. Pat Coristine  
Ms. Carla Dodd  
Mr. Don Gnatiuk, President  
Mr. Drew Lamont  
Mr. Doug Morris  
Mr. Thomas Petersen  
Mr. Tab Pollock  
Ms. Natalia Reiman

**Notice of Absence:** Mr. Stewart Wilson, Vice-Chair

**Guests:** Mr. Carmen Haakstad  
Mr. Mark Evans  
Mr. Hywel Williams  
Mr. Rick Curran  
Ms. Alexa Huffman

**AGENDA ITEM**

**1. CONSENT AGENDA**

**1.1 ADOPTION OF AUGUST 27, 2015 AGENDA**

The Board Chair called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. and called for revisions to the August 27, 2015 Agenda. The Agenda was approved by consensus, with the following amendment:

- 3.2 GPRC Strategic Priorities
- 3.3 Other

**1.2 ADOPTION OF JUNE 25, 2015 MINUTES**

The Chair called for errors or omissions to the June 25, 2015 Minutes. The Minutes were approved by consensus.

**2. GOVERNANCE**

**2.1 GP15, INVESTMENT IN GOVERNANCE**

As assigned by the Board of Governors, N. Reiman conducted an evaluation of Board performance and compliance with Governance Process Policy GP15, Investment in Governance.

N. Reiman, in the course of her review, felt that there was a need to look at the policy in greater detail to ensure that the Board is in compliance with this policy. A meeting will be called to review areas in question.

The Board Chair thanked N. Reiman for her attention to the intent of the policy and her thorough presentation to the Board.

### 3. CEO REPORT

#### 3.1 Issues of Enterprise Risk

In the Committee of the Whole meeting, the CEO disclosed to the Board confidential matters of risk with potential impacts to resources of personnel and assets, or are legal in nature.

**MOVED** by Tab Pollock, **SECONDED** by Pat Coristine, that the Board has received the President's Report on Enterprise Risk Management in the Committee of the Whole.

**CARRIED**  
**5650/2015**

#### 3.2 GPRC Strategic Priorities

The Executive of GPRC have prepared a list of Strategic Priorities to guide in their future decision-making, and re-investment of assets. D. Gnatiuk provided the Strategic Priorities as information to the Board.

**MOVED** by Tab Pollock, **SECONDED** by Pat Coristine, that the Board of Governors acknowledge receipt of the 2015-2016 GPRC Strategic Priorities.

**CARRIED**  
**5651/2015**

#### 3.3 Other

CEO D. Gnatiuk reported on the following:

- Innovation and Advanced Education Minister Lori Sigurdson endorsed the work of GPRC to meet its budget obligations and requirements and accepts the budget as presented.
- Good news for students who will receive a rollback on the tuition fee structure this year, including administration fees. This has no impact on the institution in the first year.
- The Capital investment plans and unrestricted net assets have funded wireless connectivity improvements, major renovations of the Fairview Power Engineering Lab, and food services renovations in Grande Prairie and Fairview. Food services renovations will include offering both Starbucks and Tim Hortons.
- Colleges and Institutes Canada (CICan) has recognized GPRC as the only College in Canada with the relationship that it has with the hospital. GPRC has made connections with a sister institution in Australia in a similar situation.
- Welcome to Mark Evans as the Corporate Communications Officer.
- Steps continue in the pursuit of Polytechnic University Status.
- The Community of Jasper continues to lobby and support the development of a Culinary Arts facility to be located in Jasper.
- Efforts continue through collaboration with other institutions to offer an MBA in the GPRC stewardship region.

- Plans continue for the celebration of GPRC's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 2016-2017. This coincides with the 150 Anniversary of CICAN.
- Along with campus tours, opportunities to meet the Board, the President and the Alumni/Foundation Chair were hosted at the Fairview and Grande Prairie facilities this month.

#### **4. SELF EVALUATION OF GOVERNANCE PROCESS AT THIS MEETING**

Board members submitted their meeting evaluations using the BoardVantage system.

#### **5. ROUNDTABLE**

- Board members shared news and announcements.
  - The Board enjoyed the new meeting format. It will provide more opportunities for information gathering, discussion and linkages with stakeholders.
  - GPRC SA is participating in the Shinerama Campaign, a post-secondary fundraiser for Cystic Fibrosis Canada.
  - Plans are in place for the Tour of Alberta route past GPRC on September 2.
  - Celebrations and supports are planned for Residence Move-In Day, Sunday, August 30.

#### **6. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

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Pete Merlo, Chair  
GPRC Board of Governors

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Maureen Clarke, Secretary