



MINUTES OF MEETING: **SPECIAL BOARD OF GOVERNORS' NO. 579**
DATE OF MEETING: APRIL 27, 2026
TIME: 2:00 P.M.
LOCATION: SHUNIAH BOARD ROOM / MS TEAMS
CHAIR: KIM VARES

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

Jessica Alves
Omer Belisle
Miranda Bevilacqua
Garnet Czinkota
Grace Filice
Dave Paxton
Leah Prentice
Michelle Salo
Kimberly Smith
Tracie Smith
Shane Strickland
Kim Vares

REGRETS

Adam Brown
Ed Collins
Matt Dupuis
Eveline O'Flaherty

MEMBERS OF THE STAFF

Michelle Salo, President
Wendy Landry, Vice President – Indigenous Partnerships
Peter Myllymaa, Vice President – Finance and Administration
Aaron Skillen, Vice President – Academic
Jill Symington, Vice President – Organizational Effectiveness
Barbara Greer, Executive Assistant to the President and Secretary to the Board of Governors

GUESTS

Emily Willson, Manager – Institutional Research and Planning

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Board acknowledged that we are in the territory of the Anishinaabe peoples of northwestern Ontario. We work and live on the lands of Fort William First Nation who are signatory to the Robinson-Superior Treaty of 1850. We also recognize the Métis communities and Inuit peoples in the area.

As part of the colonial history of Canada, non-Indigenous peoples have derived benefit from what the Royal Commission on Truth and Reconciliation defines as the “cultural genocide” of Indigenous peoples in this country.

We embrace our role and responsibilities in a national reconciliation process and acknowledge that we are accountable for this tragic history. We at Confederation College pledge to address injustices against Indigenous peoples and to honour our relationships with Indigenous peoples in our community.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOVED BY: Kim Smith
SECONDED BY: Omer Belisle

THAT the agenda as printed, including any additional information and new business of the Board of Governors' Meeting No. 579, to be held on April 27, 2026, be approved.

CARRIED

3. DECLARATIONS OF POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of potential conflict of interest.

4. PRESENTATIONS

3.1 New Strategic Plan

Emily Willson, Manager – Institutional Research and Planning will be in attendance to respond to questions, relative to the above noted.

A copy of the following materials were provided, for review:

- Draft Mission Vision Values
- Revised Framework and KPIs

The President advised that a hold has been placed on the development of the new logo. Further consultation will be had internally and with partners regarding history, reputational risk, etc.

A discussion was held regarding the Vision Mission and Values distributed.

A vote was taken on the selection of the Vision and Mission statements. Recommendations for changes were made. The changes were and new statements will be sent out for voting and selection.

The Value Statements were reviewed and amended.

The Pillars were reviewed. It was recommended that the grounding pillar be No. 1.

The new Ends and Strategic Plan will be presented to the Board of Governors at their meeting to be held on May 13, 2026, for consideration.

5. CHAIR'S REMARKS

There were no remarks.

6. NEXT MEETING

The next regular Board of Governors' meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 13, 2026, at 9:00 a.m. in the Shuniah Board Room / MS Teams.

7. ADJOURNMENT

7.1 Adjournment

MOVED BY: Tracie Smith
SECONDED BY: Grace Filice

THAT the Board of Governors' Meeting No. 579 held on April 27, 2026, be adjourned at 3:06 p.m.

CARRIED



Chair's Signature



Secretary's Signature