BOARD OF GOVERNORS' MEETING NO. 456
January 27, 2012

MINUTES

Time: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Place: Shuniah Boardroom A219

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD

Gwen DuBois-Wing, Chair
Dennis Wallace, Vice Chair
Paula Sdao, Vice Chair
Leona Scanlon, Member-at-Large
Glenn Brassard
Don Campbell
Chris Fralick
Meaghan Gibson

Anne Krassilowsky
J.P. Levesque
Paul Noonan
Susan Prezio
Doris Rossi
John St. Amand
Bill Trochimchuk
Cheryl L. Vaccher

Jim Madder, President
Bob Backstrom, Vice President, Student & Corporate Service and Board Secretary / Treasurer

Regrets: M. Gibson, A. Krassilowsky, J. St. Amand, L. Scanlon,

MEMBERS OF THE STAFF

Present: Judi Maundrell, Senior VP Academic
S. Brenda Small, VP Aboriginal Relations
Mary Burak, Executive Assistant

1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 10:12 a.m.

2. **Approval of Agenda**

2.1 **Consent Agenda**

2.1.1 Advisory Committee Minutes
2.1.2 Negahneewin Council Minutes
2.1.3 Advisory Committee Appointments

**MOTION:**

“That the revised agenda and consent agenda of Board meeting no. 455 be approved as distributed.”

Moved by B. Trochimchuk
Seconded by D. Wallace

Carried.
3. **Conflict of Interest**

Governor Bill Trochimchuk advised of a possible conflict of interest as he assisted with the preparation of the financial reports.

*Secretary's Note:* Conflicts of Interest are declared by Governors pursuant to the Ontario Colleges of Applied Arts and Technology Act, 2002.

4. **Chair's Remarks**

The annual luncheon with Negahneewin Council has been postponed to the March Board meeting. As we will be discussing Aboriginal Education at this meeting, we thought it would be more appropriate to meet with them then.

We have added the President's Remarks this month following the Chair's Remarks per the Coordinating Committee's recommendation to allow the President an opportunity to identify/contextualize the items of a strategic nature.

We have deferred approval of the 2012-13 tuition fees until next month as we are waiting for the final detail from the Ministry.

Please note we have noted 2 of the Executive Limitations for review this month under agenda item 7.2 but in future we will make note all policies are currently under review. Once the Governance Committee has completed their review, all policies will be tabled for formal approval by the Board.

The Leader of the Progressive Conservative Party of Ontario and Leader of the Official Opposition, Tim Hudak, visited our campus yesterday. A request was received for Mr. Hudak to tour the apprenticeship area in the Dorion Building. Governor Wallace and the President accompanied him on this tour.

As discussed in meetings held during the Colleges Ontario Conference, the Board Chairs and Vice Chairs now have the opportunity to share best practices among the group via the College Portal System. The respective Board Chairs and Vice Chairs will participate in webinar training later this month.

The ACCC Conference will take place this year from May 26-29, 2012 in Halifax, Nova Scotia. This conference will be hosted by ACCC in collaboration with Nova Scotia Community College. The theme of the conference is 2012 World Congress: Driving the Global Economy. If you are interested in attending, please let Mary know. At this time, the Chair advised attendance will be tabled with the Board Coordinating Committee to review/approve conference participants. The Board will be advised of their decision at the February Board meeting.
Two information items:

- The NOMA (Northwestern Ontario Municipal Association) Annual Meeting will take place April 25-27, 2012 in Kenora and Jim has been invited to speak at one of the sessions taking place on Thursday, April 26th.
- The NOACC (Northern Ontario Associated Chambers of Commerce) Spring Meeting/AGM is taking place in Sioux Lookout this year on April 27-29, 2012. Please note this meeting will conflict with our April 27th Board meeting.

4.1 President's Remarks

The President noted the importance of the Board agendas and the Governors due diligence in the agenda setting process. His strategic report being addressed under agenda #6.1 will capture the remarkable opportunities facing the College. Following his presentation, Governors were asked to review this year’s governance discussion priorities and advise if additional presentations and/or discussions items should be considered.

5. Approval of Minutes

MOTION:

“That the Board approve the Minutes of Meeting No. 455 as distributed.”

Moved by D. Rossi  
Seconded by C. Fralick  
Carried.

5.1 Monthly Evaluation Summary – Information item.

6. ENDS DISCUSSION

6.1 President’s Strategic Report

Following a brief preamble, the President provided a PowerPoint presentation which outlined his first six months and the opportunities/challenges being faced by Confederation College today. Despite a slowing economic climate and changing demographics in the region, the President focused on the opportunities. Building and strengthening partnerships locally and in the region is one of the key opportunities available to Confederation as it strives to meet the needs of geographically-bound learners. Additional opportunities include dual-credit programming, program revitalization, flexible/integrated delivery, and applied research.

The President fielded questions throughout the presentation and upon completion the President was thanked for his detailed report.
A break was taken at 11:07 a.m. and the meeting reconvened at 11:15 a.m.

6.2 2011-12 Agenda Cycle & Governance Discussion Priorities

The pre-circulated charts were noted for information. The Chair advised due to the transition period, the latest updates will be provided regularly.

7. ITEMS FOR DECISION

In future, the policy section will state ‘currently under review’ until the Governance Committee completes the policy review process.


7.2 Executive Limitations Policy Review
7.2.1 EL5 – Fiscal Condition – No change.
   The language pertaining to item #3 will be reviewed by the Governance Committee.
7.2.2 EL13 – Partnerships – No change.

7.3 Board Committee Reports

7.3.1 Governance Committee
   The pre-circulated report was noted for information. To expedite the work assigned to the Governance Committee, the Chair requested the Board's approval to conduct a 'straw poll' by the Committee for the selection of a Governance Coach per the RFQ process. A formal recommendation for approval will be tabled next month. The Board was in agreement with this plan of action.

7.3.2 Nominating Committee
   The pre-circulated report was noted for information.

7.4 Board of Governors’ Employee Awards of Excellence

Included in agenda item 7.5.
7.5 Other Items for Decision

Report of the In-Camera session. It was:

Moved by D. Campbell
Seconded by C. Fralick

“That the report of the Board of Governors’ In-Camera Meeting be accepted as follows:

a) “That the In-Camera minutes of meeting no. 455, held November 25, 2011, be approved as distributed.”

b) “That the actions arising out of the discussion on the restructuring initiative be implemented.”

c) “That the Board of Governors’ Employee Awards of Excellence for Faculty, Administrative and Support Staff be approved as presented.”

Motion Carried.

8. INFORMATION Items

8.1 PRESIDENT’S UPDATE

PROVINCIAL PERSPECTIVE

College Ontario 2011 – Board of Governors’ Reports

Governors expressed appreciation for the Governors’ written feedback.

President’s Activity Report

The President represented Canada at the ACCC International Conference held December 12-13/11 in Kuala Lumpur. The focus of his presentation was on good practices and the emerging challenges related to the development of green facilities and green communities. The conference went very well and as a result, the President has been requested to lead a session at the ACCC Conference taking place in Halifax at the end of May. The focus of the session will be to stimulate discussion around green technology.

This summer the President toured the regional campuses as part of his orientation. As a follow-up, he will be conducting meetings with community leaders in the respective communities this winter. He visited the Red Lake Campus on January 17th and shared some of the outcomes from his visit.
He provided the dates of the upcoming visits and he extended an invitation to
the regional Governors to join him if they're available.

- Fort Frances Community – January 31, 2012
- Kenora Community – February 1, 2012
- Dryden Community – February 13, 2012
- Geraldton Community – March 29, 2012
- Marathon Community – March 20, 2012
- Wawa Community – March 21, 2012

The President invited the Governors’ feedback on providing a monthly activity
report. In keeping the Board agendas strategic, it was suggested that in future
this detail be provided in a written format and circulated as information.

Governor Brassard left the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Additional Item: IN-CAMERA

The Board of Governors moved In-Camera at 11:36 a.m. to address the
remaining In-Camera agenda items.

MOTION:

“That the Board move In-Camera.”

Moved by D. Rossi
Seconded C. Fralick

Carried.

The regular Board meeting reconvened at 11:57 a.m.

Following the second In-Camera session, it was:

Moved by P. Sdao
Seconded by C.L. Vaccher

“That the second report of the Board of Governors’ In-Camera
Meeting be accepted as follows:

d) “That the Monitoring Report from the President re
Policy EL-1 Constraints be accepted.”
e) “That the Monitoring Report from the President re
Policy EL-9 Treatment of Clients be accepted.”

Motion carried.
9. SELF EVALUATION OF THE GOVERNANCE PROCESS

9.1 Governor Fralick was asked to lead the Governors through the evaluation form on behalf of Governor Brassard.


MOTION:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

Moved by D. Wallace
Seconded by J.P. Levesque

Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Recorder: Mary Burak

Chair’s Signature