

**MINUTES OF THE 495th MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF DAWSON COLLEGE
HELD ON THURSDAY OCTOBER 24, 2018 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE BOARDROOM,
3040 SHERBROOKE STREET WEST, MONTREAL, QUEBEC**

PRESENT: Diane Gauvin Igor Gorelyshev Ralph Rimokh
Richard Filion Azra Khan Frank Runcie
Cheranda Fraser-Williams Maurice Hughes Jamie Singerman
Anna Gagliardi Alex McComber Anna Villalta
Michael Goldwax, Chair Jean Nagy

REGRETS: Anila Asghar Trey Goppy
Sonya Branco Steve Hatajlo
Ioana Geles

College Officers: François Paradis Wai Bong Shum
Glenys Ronnie

Chair of Senate: Absent

Also Present: Chris Adam Carmela Gumelli Johanne Messier
Leanne Bennett Wolfgang Krotter Jaya Nilakantan
Andrew Bodzay Catherine LeBel Kalie Rae
Isabelle Carrier Julia Lijeron Donna Varrica
Andréa Cole

Recording Secretary to the Board: Janet Pakulis

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Prior to the adoption of the agenda, the Chair, Michael Goldwax welcomed all to the meeting and noted the names of Board members who sent their regrets.

495.1 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA OF THE 495th MEETING

The following agenda items will moved in the order mentioned below to follow the adoption of the minutes. Agenda items 495.6.1, 495.6.4, 495.6.3 and 495.6.2.

It was moved by Anna Gagliardi seconded by Jamie Singerman, **THAT THE AMENDED AGENDA OF THE 495th MEETING BE ADOPTED.**

The motion was adopted unanimously.

495.2 ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 494th MEETING

For clarification purposes, the wording *Service Québec* will be removed from section 1.03 of the background attachment to Bylaw 2A.

It was moved by Anna Gagliardi, seconded by Alex McComber, **THAT THE MINUTES OF THE 494th MEETING BE ADOPTED WITH PROPOSED CORRECTIONS.**

The motion was adopted unanimously by those eligible to vote.

495.3 CORRESPONDENCE & PRESENTATIONS

.1 Board Orientation – Regulatory Framework & Finance

François Paradis, Director of Corporate Affairs gave an overview of the presentation. He also stated that the Fédération des cégeps offers a 3 hour training program on Board Governance. The proposed dates are January 23 or 30. A Doodle survey will be sent to Board members.

495.4 REPORTS

1. Report of the Executive Committee

Richard Fillion had the following report from the Executive Committee meeting held on October 10, 2018.

The following resolutions were adopted:

- That the vacant position ACSY-403 in Academic Systems be abolished following the incumbent's resignation and the creation of a professional position.
- That the Executive Committee approves a contract by mutual agreement with GE Healthcare, by virtue of Article 12 – Paragraph 4 of the Act respecting contracting by public bodies for the maintenance of radiology equipment.

- That the Executive Committee authorizes the College to award a contract for a duration of three years, in the amount of \$225,000 excluding taxes to GE Healthcare for the maintenance of radiology equipment.

2. Report of the Chair of the Board

The Chair reported that the Audit Committee met with the external auditors, Raymond, Chabot, Grant, Thornton to review the current 2017-18 Audit plan. He also stated that he was invited to participate in a conference call to be held in December with the Fédération des cégeps.

3. Report of the Director General

The Director General stated that with the new Government in place, there will be one Minister for the entire Education portfolio instead of two as was in the past.

Mr. Filion also stated that a meeting was held with the SQI (Société québécoise des infrastructures) on October 5, 2018. All documents that we produced over the last two years were submitted and a second meeting should take place soon.

On October 31, we will be presenting a request to the Ministry to increase our Devis Scolaire. In 1998 the devis was set at 7075 and our proposed increase is 8000 for day division students.

4. Report of the Academic Dean

The Academic Dean, Diane Gauvin reported that five employees attended a Symposium on Indigenous Education. Wolfgang Krotter, Assistant Dean of Creative & Applied Arts, elaborated further by stating that this Symposium held in Wendake was hosted by Colleges and Institutes Canada and that we presented on Indigenous Initiatives. Those who participated from the college, were Michelle Smith (Journeys, CinCom), Tiawenti:non Canadian (First Peoples' Center Coordinator), Pauline Morel (Journeys, English) and Mark Beauchamp (History).

The Academic Dean also reported that six faculty members attended an Artificial Intelligence conference in Toronto. The conference had two topics, Deep Learning and Governance & Ethics.

Mme Gauvin also stated that there is so far a 20% increase in Winter applications and that Open House will be held on October 28.

5. Report of the Chair of Senate

The following was reported at the last Senate meeting on October 9, 2018 The revision of the Computer Science Technology Program was approved to be recommended to the Board. There was a discussion on the Honours Policy for Graduates and the Director of Student Services addressed Senate.

495.5 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

495.6 NEW BUSINESS

.1 Revision to the Computer Science Technology program (420.B0)

Diane Gauvin introduced this item and then introduced the Program Revision Team, Julia Lijeron, Jaya Nilakantan and Andrew Bodzay. She stated that the revision was due to changes to competencies. Andrew Bodzay gave a detailed explanation of the changes, namely pre-requisites to math, new competencies and changes in wording of competencies. Members addressed questions and discussions ensued.

It was moved by Jean Nagy, seconded by Ralph Rimokh, **THAT THE REVISIONS TO THE COMPUTER SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM (420.B0) BE ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS.**

The motion was adopted unanimously.

.2 CRISPESH Action Plan 2018-19

Richard Filion presented this agenda item in the absence of the new Director. He stated that there has been a change in directorship at CRISPESH following the departure of Catherine Loiselle. The new Director is Roch Ducharme, a former employee of Dawson College. CRISPESH's mandate has been reviewed and the Strategic Plan adopted by our Board last year. Mr. Filion also stated that the centre's focus is to become more visible and to encourage companies, employers to hire those who are disabled and to develop business opportunities.

It was moved by Jamie Singerman, seconded by Jean Nagy, **THAT THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF DAWSON COLLEGE APPROVES THE CRISPESH ACTION PLAN 2018-19.**

The motion was adopted unanimously.

.3 Status report on AASHE Certification

Richard Filion introduced the agenda item with Chris Adam, Coordinator of Sustainability presenting the status report. Mr. Adam stated that in 2006, a non-profit charitable organization started a two-year Action-Conservation project at Dawson College. Criteria for energy, waste and water reduction were created and strategies implemented that led to the establishment in 2008 of a College sustainability policy and the adoption of AASHE (Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education) criteria in academics, engagement, operations and planning & administration. The College's Strategic Plan went a step further and listed well-being for all, sustainably, as a core value of Dawson. As part of Mr. Adam's visual presentation he elaborated on the projects and endeavours undertaken. Dawson has positioned itself as an international leader in climate change action. We are a model to other institutions.

It was moved by Alex McComber, seconded by Jean Nagy, **WHEREAS THE OCTOBER 2018 UN INTERGOVERNMENTAL PANEL ON CLIMATE CHANGE REPORT, WHICH STATES THE PLANET ONLY HAS UNTIL 2030 TO STEM CATASTROPHIC CLIMATE CHANGE, AND THE RESPONSIBILITY OF INSTITUTES OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO MODEL POSITIVE CHANGE IN SOCIETY, THAT DAWSON COLLEGE DECLARES ITSELF CARBON NEUTRAL FOREVER, AND CONTINUES TO REDUCE ITS CARBON FOOTPRINT IN WHATEVER MEANS POSSIBLE AND MANAGEABLE.**

The motion was adopted unanimously with one abstention.

.4 Ombuds Report 2017-18

Kalie Rae, Ombudsperson explained her role and gave an overview of what her work was comprised over the last year since she became College's Ombudsperson. Members had questions and discussions ensued.

It was moved by Anna Gagliardi, seconded by Jamie Singerman, **THAT THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS RECEIVES THE OMBUDS REPORT 2017-18.**

The motion was adopted unanimously with two abstentions.

.5 Summer 2018 Graduates – Diplomas of College Studies

Diane Gauvin, Academic Dean, stated that the Ministry awards the diplomas of College studies on the recommendation of the College.

It was moved by Anna Gagliardi, seconded by Jean Nagy, **THAT ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS HAVING BEEN SUPPLIED AND VERIFIED, BE IT RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND TO THE MINISTER OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO AWARD A DIPLOMA OF COLLEGE STUDIES TO EACH OF THE 372 STUDENTS WHOSE NAMES APPEAR ON THE ATTACHED REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATION.**

The motion was adopted unanimously.

.6 Amendments to Bylaw Number 1

François Paradis, Director of Corporate Affairs presented this item by stating that changes to the Academic Calendar are sometimes needed due to unforeseen circumstances, which depending on the timing might require calling a Special Board meeting. It is proposed to delegate amendments to the Executive Committee. Another change is proposed to enable the Director of Corporate Affairs to adopt and amend policies related to records management, such as the College retention schedule and upcoming policies for records management and document digitization.

A discussion ensued regarding these amendments and it was moved by Igor Gorelyshev, seconded by Frank Runcie to amend the motion and be delivered in two sections.

The motion was adopted unanimously with 2 against and one abstention.

- i) It was moved by Richard Fillion, seconded by Diane Gauvin, **THAT BYLAW NUMBER 1 BE AMENDED AS DEFINED IN SUPPORTING TABLE, BYLAW 1 – PROPOSED REVISIONS, SECTION 5, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.**

The motion failed with 8 in favour, 2 against and 2 abstentions.

- ii) It was moved by Ralph Rimokh, seconded by Jamie Singerman, **THAT BYLAW NUMBER 1 BE AMENDED AS DEFINED IN SUPPORTING TABLE, BYLAW 1 – PROPOSED REVISIONS, SECTION 6, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.**

The motion was adopted unanimously.

495.7 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Board of Governors is scheduled for November 26, 2018.

495.8 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Signatures:

Michael Goldwax
Board Chair

François Paradis
Director, Corporate Affairs