



BOARD OF GOVERNORS PUBLIC MEETING

Friday, October 3, 2025

1:00 PM

Clock Tower Boardroom, CT309

MINUTES

Board members present:

Dr. Airini, Inderpreet Bains, Hee Young Chung, Hasnat Dewan, David Hallinan, Dian Henderson, Amisha Patel, Christine Sorensen, Tim Webber

Regrets:

DeDe DeRose, Heather Fader, Jim Hamilton, Cindy Ozouf, Niki Remesz, Dancing Water Sandy

Executive and others present:

Baihua Chadwick (Vice-President International), Matt Milovick (Vice-President Administration and Finance), Brian Roy (Interim Vice-President Research), Shannon Wagner (Interim Provost and Vice-President Academic), Mike Henry (Chief of Staff), Scott Blackford (Interim General Counsel), Christina Duquette (Interim Associate Vice-President Finance), Charlene Myers (Manager, University Governance), Sara Wolfe (Associate Vice-President, Students; *for agenda item 9.a. only*), Allysa Gredling (Student Development Administrative Coordinator; *for agenda item 9.a. only*), Amber Huva (Sexualized Violence Prevention and Response Manager [*Education and Prevention*]); *for agenda item 9.a. only*)

1. CALL TO ORDER — David Hallinan

The board chair, D. Hallinan, called the meeting to order at 1:12pm and welcomed the following new governors:

- i. Dr. Airini (President and Vice-Chancellor)
- ii. Inderpreet Bains (Elected student)
- iii. Amisha Patel (Elected student)

2. TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT — David Hallinan

D. Hallinan delivered the territorial acknowledgment.

3. RECOGNITION OF EXCELLENCE — David Hallinan

On behalf of the board, the chair, D. Hallinan, bestowed framed certificates of recognition on two individuals.

a. Courtney Mason

Dr. Courtney Mason, a professor and Canada Research Chair in Rural Livelihoods and Sustainable Communities at TRU, was congratulated on having been recognized by the Royal Society of Canada (RSC) for his outstanding achievements.

b. Jason Johnston-Sedore

Jason Johnston-Sedore, an assistant teaching professor in tourism management at TRU, was congratulated by the board for being recognized with the prestigious King Charles III Coronation Medal.

4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

*On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the agenda be adopted as circulated.*

5. CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURES

No governors declared a conflict.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Minutes of board public meeting of June 14, 2024

*On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the board public meeting of June 14, 2024 be approved as circulated.*

7. BOARD CHAIR'S REPORT — David Hallinan

a. 2024 – 2025 Summary of Board Activities

D. Hallinan highlighted several activities that the board had completed over the past year.

8. FINANCE COMMITTEE — David Hallinan

D. Hallinan, chair of the Finance Committee, presented the committee's report.

a. Statement of Financial Information

D. Hallinan reported that the Finance Committee, at their meeting on September 19, recommended that the board approve the Statement of Financial Information. Discussion ensued.

*On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the Board of Governors approve the FIA Report as provided.*

b. Q1 Results

M. Milovick reported that the Q1 Results would be discussed during the presentation on Future TRU and Deficit Mitigation Plan.

9. PRESIDENT'S REPORT — Dr. Airini

a. President's Report to the Board

Dr. Airini delivered a verbal report to the board, covering several topics including the budget and strategic planning.

i. Annual Report to the Board on the Implementation of the Sexualized Violence Policy (BRD 25-0)

S. Wolfe joined the meeting by Teams and asked that A. Gredling and A. Huva, who were at the meeting in person, be permitted to present the report on her behalf, which they did.

ii. Policy ADM 32-0 Responsible Use of University Space

S. Blackford presented this agenda item, highlighting some points in the memorandum that was circulated with the agenda package and responding to questions. He asked the board to send a letter from the board chair to the chair of senate requesting consultation from senate on the proposed revisions to this policy, in accordance with Section 27(2)(d) of the *University Act*.

*On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the Board of Governors engage with Senate regarding consultation on this policy.*

10. SENATE REPORT — Dr. Airini

Dr. Airini, Chair of Senate, presented the report from senate. She noted that the report contained three items being recommended by senate to the board for approval.

- a. Category III Proposal, Department of Literatures, Languages, and Performing Arts: Technical Theatre Certificate

*On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the Board of Governors approve the Category III Proposal, Department of Literatures, Languages, and Performing Arts: Technical Theatre Certificate, as circulated.*

- b. Formation of a New Department of Data Science

*On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the Board of Governors approve the formation of a New Department of Data Science within the Faculty of Science, as circulated.*

- c. Division and Transition within the Counselling, Academic Supports, and Assessment (CASA) Department

*i. On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the Board approve dividing the Counselling, Academic Supports & Assessment (CASA) Department into two departments: the Department of Integrative Learning and Assessment (ILA) and the Counselling Department reporting to the Dean of the Faculty of Student Development.*

*ii. On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the Board approve that the Counselling Department be moved to Student Services and report to the Director, Student Affairs.*

11. PRESENTATION

- a. Future TRU and Deficit Mitigation Plan

Dr. Airini, M. Milovick, and S. Wagner presented on Future TRU and Deficit Mitigation Plan. M. Milovick reminded the board that, in March when they approved the budget, they had asked for a budget mitigation plan to be presented in the fall. Discussion ensued.

*On motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the Board of Governors accept the budget mitigation plan as presented.*

12. NEXT BOARD MEETING

- a. The next board meeting is scheduled for Friday, December 5, 2025 in the Clock Tower Boardroom.

13. TERMINATION OF MEETING

There being no further agenda items, the chair terminated the meeting at 2:54pm.