Board Members present: F. Robin, Board Chair; A. Petter, President; M. Cordoba; J. Dhesa; J. Earthy; M. Mroz; J. Stewart; D. Williams; O. Zihlmann

Regrets: A. Giardini, Chancellor; J. Francis; A. Kessler; J. Kim; C. Lewis

OPEN SESSION

A. Finance and Administration

a. The Board approved the University’s 2018-2019 Budget and Financial Plan, including tuition fees for undergraduate and graduate programs, and Student Services and Recreation-Athletics fees.

B. University Relations

a. The Board approved the following actions recommended by Senate on March 5, 2018:
   • The 2018/2019 Enrollment Plan attached as Appendix A to the document titled For SENATE March 5, 2018, and 2018/2019 domestic and international undergraduate admission targets to each Faculty, by semester and basis of admission category as indicated in Tables C1 and C2 respectively of Appendix C (Senate Paper S.18-32);
   • The Full Program Proposal for the Graduate Certificate in Education within the Faculty of Education, effective Fall 2018; and,
   • The dissolution of the Applied Human Nutrition Certificate Program in the Department of Biomedical Physiology and Kinesiology within the Faculty of Science, effective Fall 2018.

b. Fundraising Progress Reports: The Board noted year-to-date progress reports as follows:

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   c. The Board approved the Terms of Reference for:
      • Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Travel Award;
      • Robert O. Sanderson Award in Business;
      • Elsie Winona McLaren Meadows Award in History Endowment;
      • Vida Lee Azan Graduate Award in Gender, Sexuality, and Women’s Studies;
      • Mike and Jenifer Thewalt Graduate Award Endowment;
      • Gerald Goh Undergraduate Bursary in Psychology;
      • Edward Wilson Undergraduate Bursary in History Endowment;
      • Vivienne Taylor & Anton Kuipers School of Communication Undergraduate Bursary;
      • Joanne Warnett Award for Mature Students;
      • Barb “Robbie” Robertson Memorial Women’s Basketball Award Endowment; and,
      • Geography Undergraduate Fieldwork Endowment Fund.

C. Governance and Nominating
a. The Board approved that Mr. Brian Taylor be recommended for reappointment to the Board of Directors of the SFU Community Corporation as external Director for a term of two years commencing March 25, 2018 and expiring on March 24, 2020.

b. The Board approved the appointment of Ms. Sandy Garossino as a Board Member of the Simon Fraser University Foundation for the period March 15, 2018 to March 14, 2021.

D. Human Resources

a. The Board approved the 2018-2019 Faculty Renewal Plan.

E. Other

a. President Peter reported that on February 27, 2018, the Federal Finance Minister tabled Budget 2018, which contained some very positive news for Canadian research, including:
   • A commitment of $925 million over five years in new funding for the three granting councils;
   • Increased funding for research infrastructure through the Canada Foundation for Innovation; and,
   • Further investment in the Canada Research Chairs program.
   • This represents the largest increase in fundamental research funding in the country’s history.

b. With respect to the February 22, 2018 BC Budget tabled by the Province’s Finance Minister, the President noted:
   • BC will invest in 2,900 additional post-secondary seats in technology related fields of study, including 320 undergraduate and 120 graduate student FTEs for SFU’s Sustainable Energy and Environmental Engineering program.
   • The introduction of a $450 million student housing program that will allow public post-secondary institutions to borrow from government and finance student housing projects. This program is intended to create 5,000 new student housing beds across the Province. Universities will be able to borrow from government at a favourable interest rate, but will be expected to make a contribution towards the cost of residence projects. It is expected that the program will allow SFU to move forward with Phase 2 of the Burnaby Student Residence Renewal and Expansion project in close proximity to Phase 1. This would enable new dining and student amenity space planned for second phase to be available to meet the needs of Phase 1 and Phase 2 residents.

c. A. Petter commented on SFU Public Square’s sixth annual Community Summit, Brave New Work, which took place from February 26 to March 7, 2018. The Summit explored the future of work in light of a labour market that is in flux due to technological change, artificial intelligence, globalization and other forces. The signature event entitled “The New World of Work: Thriving or Surviving?” featured American commentators Van Jones and Anne-Marie Slaughter, and was moderated by CBC’s Laura Lynch. Presented in partnership with Vancity, it attracted 2,300 people to the Queen Elizabeth Theatre. Post-Summit, he hosted an appreciation event for all those who worked to make the Public Square event a success.

d. President Petter informed the Board that the Jack Blaney Award for Dialogue was presented at the Morris J. Wosk Centre for Dialogue on February 20 to Alice Nderitu in recognition of her international leadership in the use of dialogue to advance peacebuilding and human rights.

e. The President reported that the Annual Surrey Gala on March 9 was attended by the Premier, Surrey Mayor and federal, provincial and municipal representatives. The sold out event provided an opportunity to thank the Province for funding the new Sustainable Energy and Environmental Engineering program, and to share some of SFU’s priorities for the future. The Board watched a new video – “SFU On The Move.” The video was introduced at the Gala and will be used at
upcoming events in Victoria and Ottawa, and other venues, to showcase the University’s progress in a number of areas.

f. A. Petter commented on a highly successful day-long dialogue entitled “Reconciliation in BC: When are we going to get to the hard stuff?” at the Morris J. Wosk Centre for Dialogue on March 16. An initiative of the School of Public Policy and SFU Public Square, the conference drew over 150 people, including the Premier, federal Minister of Justice, provincial Attorney General, provincial Minister of Advanced Education, Skills and Training, Chief Robert Joseph, First Nations leaders and elders, and many others. Copies of SFU’s “Aboriginal Peoples Supplement” for February 2018 were distributed.

g. President Petter commented on “Engaging The Vision: Community Consultation Report” which was distributed to Board members. The President noted that the report summarized feedback received during the consultation process, and provided examples of initiatives underway that relate to the themes and suggestions raised during that consultation.

Overall support was voiced for the Vision during the consultation on the basis that it has:

• helped to differentiate SFU positively;
• created a culture that supports greater community engagement; and,
• improved SFU’s reputation.

Areas of weakness identified included:

• the Student Experience, which was the theme of the March 10, 2018 Joint Senate-Board Retreat, and one around which a major strategic initiative is underway;
• inter-campus engagement; and,
• ambiguity around the definition of “engagement.”

Areas where it was suggested that further strength could be gained included:

• community-engaged research;
• faculty/staff engagement; and,
• community engagement.

h. President Petter gave Board members copies of a brochure colloquially referred to as “SFU 101” which is designed to give readers a clear and concise overview of SFU as a world-class University that Engages the World. He then provided an update on recent international developments, including:

• SFU’s first participant in the Scholars at Risk Program, Dr. Hanadi Ibrahim of Syria, has taken up a one-year Visiting Faculty appointment in the Department of Chemistry. She will be working with Dr. Dipankar Sen, Professor, Molecular Biology and Biochemistry and Chair of the Department. Dr. Joy Johnson, Vice-President, Research and International, recently led a mission to India to clarify and strengthen relationships with a number of Indian partner institutions, including India Oil Corporation Ltd. and the Bombay Stock Exchange Institute.

• The President will lead an SFU mission to Singapore on March 23 to attend the annual conference of the Asia-Pacific Association for International Education (APAIE). He informed the Board that SFU will host the 2020 APAIE annual conference in Vancouver, which will be the first time the conference has been held in the Americas. The SFU delegation will also travel to Taiwan to strengthen relationships with National Taiwan University and National Taiwan Normal University. An Alumni Reception will also be held in Taipei.

i. The President informed the Board that SFU has announced the names of those who will receive an Honorary Degree in 2018.

• In June, the University will recognize: Board Chair Emeritus Michael Francis, a chartered accountant, innovator and leader who has devoted much of his life to community engagement; Haida fashion designer Dorothy Grant; internationally renowned environmental sustainability pioneer Ashok Khosla, internationally renowned Canadian choreographer Crystal Pite; celebrated
Canadian author Madeleine Thien; and, paediatrician, professor and internationally acclaimed children’s health advocate Stanley Zlotkin.

- In October, SFU will recognize: celebrated primatologist, ethologist, environmentalist, and animal rights activist Jane Goodall; internationally recognized cognitive scientist Alison Gopnik; and Mariana Mazzucato, professor and director of the Institute for Innovation and Public Purpose at University College London.

j. Governor J. Dhesa commented on a number of matters:
- Student involvement in the March “Sexual Assault Awareness Month,” hosted by the Sexual Violence Support & Prevention Office and designed to raise public awareness about sexual assault, promote a consent culture, and educate communities and individuals on how to prevent sexual violence.
- The Simon Fraser Student Society (SFSS) partnered with Health and Counselling Services for Hi F.I.V.E. (Friendship, Invite conversation, Value everyone’s gift, Eliminate stigma) Me Week from March 20 to 23, 2018. The goal of activities and events throughout the week was to conquer the stigma surrounding mental health. The final event was a five-hour Resilience Workshop in collaboration with the Canadian Mental Health Association.
- The 2018 SFSS General Elections were held from March 18 to 22. The Board was informed that student engagement and involvement in student governance is healthy and strong.
- Voting concluded in February to elect two new student members of the Board of Governors, replacing J. Dhesa and O. Zhilmann for a term of one year effective June 1, 2018. The Board was informed that student engagement in this process was also strong.

k. Governor J. Earthy reported that she delivered the Keynote address to the Beedie Graduate Women’s Council on Tuesday, March 20, as part of the School’s “Run the World” series. She also informed the Board that she participated as a judge at the eighth annual Opportunity Fest, held at SFU Surrey on March 22. The marketplace-style festival, hosted by the Beedie School of Business, gave SFU students and student teams the opportunity showcase their innovative products and ventures to the wider community.

l. Joy Johnson, Vice-President, Research and International provided the Board with a report on recent research achievements.

m. The Board received a report from Martin Pochurko, Vice-President, Finance and Administration, summarizing the major activities and initiatives in the departments within his portfolio as of March 2018. He drew the Board’s attention to the following items:
- The Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills and Training has approved Phase 1 of the Master Residence Plan at SFU Burnaby and SFU is now waiting for the building permit so that the project can begin.
- In 2017, SFU responded to a Request for Expressions of Interest for property owners interested in partnering in the development of a new Surrey Community Centre/YMCA. Initially, another response was chosen. However, the University was recently advised that negotiations with the preferred respondent were not successful and that the City of Surrey and the YMCA wish to continue discussions with SFU. Should the project proceed, SFU will explore ways in which to maximize all possible benefits for students.
- In addition to recently being selected by the job search site “Indeed” as one of the top ten places to work in BC, the University has just been ranked in the 2018 top twenty Family-Friendly Employers in Canada by The Globe and Mail.
- The University is waiting for the release of the business case for the proposed Burnaby Mountain Urban Gondola.

n. The Board reviewed the report from Peter Keller, Provost and Vice-President, Academic on a number of activities and developments in his portfolio, and he highlighted the following matters:
• Dr. Jeff Derksen has been appointed as Dean and Associate Provost, Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies for a five-year term beginning February 1, 2018. The search for the first Vice-Provost and Associate Vice-President, Learning and Teaching is coming to an end, as are the searches for the Dean of Science and the Dean of Lifelong Learning.

• The Flexible Education Review has concluded and the recommendations are under active exploration. To support the transition and implementation of the recommendations to bring accessibility and efficiency to the delivery of flexible education at SFU, the portfolio of the Centre for Online and Distance Education (CODE) will move from Lifelong Learning to the Office of the Vice-President, Academic beginning April 1, 2018. This portfolio will report to the new Vice-Provost and Associate Vice-President, Learning and Teaching once that position is filled.

• A discussion has been held with the decanal group concerning the ongoing academic and infrastructure planning for SFU Surrey over the next five years.

CLOSED SESSION

A. Finance and Administration

a. The Board received a project status report on the Sustainable Energy and Environmental Engineering Program Building in the SFU Surrey precinct.

b. Other matters were discussed.

B. University Relations

a. The Board received fundraising progress reports for the months ending December 2017 and January 2018.

b. The Board approved the Terms of Reference for the William Saywell Professorship in Asia Pacific Studies.

c. The Board reviewed the report of Mike den Haan, Vice-President, Advancement and Alumni Engagement on the recent activities, developments and achievements in each of the areas within his portfolio.

d. The Board reviewed the report from Joanne Curry, Vice-President, External Relations on key issues in Government Relations and Communications & Marketing.

C. Human Resources

a. Other

The Board approved:

• Mr. Craig Asmundson, Senior Lecturer Emeritus, 01 Sep 16 retroactive to retirement
• Dr. Josephine Anthony, Senior Lecturer Emerita, 01 Sep 15 retroactive to retirement

D. Other

a. The Board received the President’s Activities Report for January and February 2018.

b. The Board engaged in a discussion with Joanne Curry, Vice-President, External Relations, and Matthew Grant, Director, Community Engagement and Outreach, External Relations, regarding Supporting Community Engagement Across SFU.
CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

a. The Board approved the re-appointment of Dr. Joy Johnson as Vice-President, Research and International, for a further five-year term beginning September 1, 2019.

b. The Board discussed and signed the Government’s 2018-19 Mandate Letter for Public Post-Secondary Institutions. The Letter was subsequently submitted to the Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills and Training, and posted as a PDF on the Board’s web site at: http://www.sfu.ca/bog.html

c. Other matters were discussed.

The next Board of Governors meeting will be held at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 24, 2018 in the Halpern Centre, Room 126, SFU Burnaby.