SUMMARY – BOARD OF GOVERNORS’ MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 27, 2018

Board Members present: F. Robin, Board Chair; A. Giardini, Chancellor; A. Petter, President; T. Budd; M. Cordoba; C. Gill; A. Hall; A. Khehra; M.C. Kropinski; C. Lewis; J. Stewart; D. Williams

Regrets: J. Earthy; A. Kessler; M. Mroz

OPEN SESSION

A. Finance and Administration

a. The Board received for information the monthly rental rates for SFU Residences for the academic year 2019-2020.

b. The Board received the University’s Statement of Financial Information for the year ended March 31, 2018 and authorized the Chair of the Board to sign the document.

c. The Board received for information the 2018-2019 Quarter 1 Forecast, which was submitted to the Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills and Training on June 29, 2018.

d. The Board noted for information the Quarter 1 Budget to Actual Variance Report as of June 30, 2018.

B. University Relations

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

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b. The Board approved the Terms of Reference for the:

- Fraser Health KEY Graduate Scholarship;
- Helen Osborne Memorial Award for Aboriginal Students;
- James A. MacEachern Graduate Scholarship in Earth Sciences Endowment;
- Anne Cubitt Undergraduate Scholarship;
- Rick Klassen Memorial Football Award Endowment;
- Hal Werner Track and Field Award Endowment;
- Inspiring Women in Applied Sciences Annual Award;
- Anil Patel Graduate Award in Business;
- INNOEC Community Service Award;
- Ryan Barrington-Foote Bursary in Business Administration;
- North Shore ElderCollege Society Award in Gerontology;
- Christopher K Y Chan Scholarship in the Environment;
c. The Board approved the following action recommended by Senate on July 9, 2018:

• The Establishment of the School of Environmental Science within the Faculty of Environment.

d. The Board received additional information regarding measures in the Institutional Accountability Plan and Report 2017-18 Reporting Cycle that came to the Board on June 28, 2018. SFU’s standings are positive and compare favourably to other universities.

C. Governance and Nominating

a. The Board approved rescinding Policy R10.02 Research Semester Research Grant as the policy is no longer valid under Canada Revenue Agency rules.

b. The Board approved that Ms. Mary Rose Gonzales be recommended for appointment as Trustee of the Pension Plan for Members of the Administrative/Union Staff as APSA representative for a three year term commencing November 30, 2018 and expiring on November 30, 2021.

c. The Board approved that Richard Durrans be appointed as Member of the Investment Advisory Committee, for a six year term commencing September 27, 2018 and expiring on September 26, 2024.

d. The Board approved that Mr. Chris Hilliard be appointed as Chair of the Simon Fraser University Foundation for a three year term commencing April 18, 2018 and expiring on April 17, 2021.

D. Responsible Investment

a. The Board approved SFU’s commitment to measure and reduce the carbon footprint of the University’s investment portfolio by 40% below the baseline measurement reported as of March 31, 2016, and to achieve this reduction by 2030 to match Canada’s national climate commitment.

b. The Board received for information the United Nations Principles for Responsible Investment (UNPRI) Assessment Report 2018 designed to provide feedback to signatories to support ongoing learning and development. The results indicated that SFU is meeting or exceeding the mean, scoring well within its peer group.

c. The Board reviewed information from MSCI ESG Research Inc. that provided a carbon footprint analysis on the public equities held through external managers for SFU investment portfolios as of March 31, 2018. The report summarized the carbon footprint for the total of SFU’s public equity investments based on the holdings data as of March 31, 2016, 2017, and 2018, and it showed how each measurement compares to SFU’s 2030 target. The baseline as of March 31, 2018 has dropped to 87.3 tons per CO2 emitted per million dollars invested. It was 88.4 in 2017. SFU’s 2030 target of 124.5 will be adjusted to reflect the 40% reduction just approved by the Board in the open session.

E. Other
a. President Petter reported on various events relating to the successful start to the academic year, including:

- Welcoming 5,125 new undergraduate students, 1,500 new graduate students, and 25 new post-docs from 45 countries to SFU;
- The President’s Dream Colloquium on “Making Knowledge Public” got underway on September 13 with a packed public lecture on fake news from University of Washington Professor Jevin West. This interdisciplinary program will bring five other leading thinkers to SFU during the fall semester to speak on the theme of knowledge sharing and will also set the stage for the SFU Public Square Community Summit in the spring which will address “post-truth” in the information age;”
- The September 18 official opening of the SFU Image-Tech Lab at Surrey Memorial Hospital. This world-class research facility is the only lab in Western Canada offering both high field MRI and high density MEG technology. It is a great example of university-industry-government collaboration, and is expected to further advance SFU’s relationship with Fraser Health; and,
- SFU honoured distinguished alumni Peter Akman, Ryan Beedie, Betsy Gibbons, and Dr. Steven Holdcroft at the annual Outstanding Alumni Awards luncheon and evening reception on September 26.

b. A. Petter commented on the following developments of note during summer 2018:

- In July, he spoke on the role of universities in building social infrastructure at the Transatlantic Dialogue, a biennial gathering of university leaders from the U.S., Europe and Canada;
- SFU became the first Canadian member of the University Social Responsibility Network (USRN), an international network of 16 universities committed to community betterment. J. Johnson, Vice-President, Research and International will address the USRN Summit in Haifa, Israel in December 2018;
- Also in July, SFU continued its role as founding partner in a seventh highly successful Indian Summer Festival; and,
- He hosted the annual President’s Employee Appreciation Barbeque to express thanks to over 1,500 staff and faculty members.

c. The President informed the Board that there are three upcoming events of note:

- On September 28, SFU will hold its annual Terry Fox run and walk at all three campuses;
- Fall Convocation ceremonies will take place on October 4 and 5, with honorary degrees being awarded to Alison Gopnik and Jane Goodall, and the Chancellor’s Distinguished Service Award being conferred on Barry Macdonald at the Chancellor’s Dinner; and,
- SFU and UBC will host a special joint ceremony at the Vancouver Convocation Centre on Friday, October 19, where each institution will confer an honorary degree on His Highness the Aga Khan.

d. Board Chair F. Robin welcomed two new Board members to their first meeting since being elected to serve:

- Angie Hall, is an Order-in-Council member appointed July 31, 2018 for a one year term. A. Hall serves on the SFU Alumni Association Board and recently served on the Board’s Responsible Investment Committee. She previously served as the graduate student representative on SFU’s Board of Governors. A. Hall holds a Masters in Development Economics and International Development and a Bachelor of Arts in International Studies from SFU.
- Dr. Charan Gill, is an Order-in-Council member appointed July 31, 2018 for a one year term. C. Gill was the founding President and former CEO of the Progressive Intercultural Community Services Society.

e. The Board Chair congratulated President Petter on being honored with the 2018 Peter Lougheed Award for Leadership in Public Policy on September 19, 2018. F. Robin commented that SFU was well-represented at the event.
f. The Board Chair also congratulated Chancellor A. Giardini on being awarded the Order of British Columbia in recognition of her varied contributions to Canada’s forestry sector, to higher education and to the literacy community. In addition, A. Giardini has been appointed to the Board of Directors of Hydro One Limited. Hydro One is Ontario’s largest electricity transmission and distribution provider.

g. Governor A. Khehra reported that Club Days at SFU are being held in Convocation Mall where students are introduced to a variety of clubs offered at SFU. He also reported that the Simon Fraser Student Society (SFSS) and UBC’s Alma Mater Society held their Annual Welcome Back BBQ on Friday, September 14, 2018. Finally, he informed the Board that the SFSS President was impeached at the SFSS AGM on September 24, 2018 and the Acting President will be Vice-President, Student Services until notified of a bi-election if needed.

h. The report of the Vice-President, Research and International on key activities in her office, as well as recent research achievements, was provided to the Board for information. In the absence of J. Johnson, President Petter noted SFU’s continued success in attracting research funding. He also highlighted SFU’s Big Data Initiative, noting that the Canadian Statistical Sciences Institute (CANSSI) will host its national headquarters at the Big Data Hub. He further noted that three SFU faculty members have recently been named Fellows of The Royal Society of Canada (RSC), while two faculty members have been named as College Members.

i. The Board reviewed the report of the Vice-President, Finance and Administration on the major activities and developments within his portfolio as of September 2018. M. Pochurko highlighted three areas:

- Tanya Morrison has joined SFU as the new Director of Compensation in Human Resources;
- SFU has won the 2018 Sustainability Award in Facilities Management. This award recognizes SFU’s efforts to implement a Zero Waste system across all three campuses; and,
- SFU Childcare celebrates their 50th anniversary this year.

j. The Board reviewed a written report from the Vice-President, Academic and Provost on a number of activities and developments in the areas within his portfolio, and he highlighted the following matters:

- There are 56 new faculty and librarians joining SFU from across the globe. Approximately half are from Canada and half are from other parts of the world.
- SFU is on target with an overall increase in undergraduate and graduate student enrollment.
- SFU, in collaboration with the SFSS, has partnered with Morneau Shepell to launch My Student Support Program (MySSP) which is a 24/7 multi-platform mental health and support service for all students.
- Faculties have submitted their proposed Academic Plans and P. Keller will bring the plans together and integrate them into an overarching plan for consultation with the SFU community later this fall.
- Dr. Elizabeth Elle started her term as SFU’s first Vice-Provost and Associate Vice-President, Learning and Teaching this fall. A top priority will be to advance strategies to support the design and delivery of flexible learning.

CLOSED SESSION

A. Finance and Administration

a. The Board engaged in a preliminary discussion about the University’s budget for fiscal year 2019/20, and reviewed the information to be shared with the campus community in a series of budget consultations.
b. The Board received an update on the implementation of the Residence & Housing Master Plan on the Burnaby Campus.

c. The Board approved a contract award to GardWorld for the provision of security services at Simon Fraser University for a three (3) year term commencing October 15, 2018, with the potential for three (3) renewal terms of two (2) years each, for a total possible term of nine (9) years.

d. The Board approved the 2019 to 2024 Five Year Capital Plan for submission to the Ministry of Advanced Education, Skills and Training.

e. The Board approved contracts with Western Pacific Enterprises Ltd. and United Power Ltd. for the provision of electrical services at Simon Fraser University for a five (5) year term commencing January 1, 2019, with the potential for two (2) renewal terms of one (1) year each, for a total possible term of seven (7) years.

f. The Board received for information a status report on the SFU Burnaby 2065 Campus Master Plan.

g. The Board received for information a Capital Projects and Planning Program Status Report as of September 2018.

h. The draft minutes of and excerpts from the report to the Investment Advisory Committee meeting of June 19, 2018, were received by the Board for information.

i. Other matters were discussed.

B. University Relations

a. The Board received fundraising progress reports for May, June and July 2018.

b. The Board received for information the annual 2017-18 Fundraising Report prepared by University Advancement.

c. The Board reviewed the report from M. den Haan, Vice-President, Advancement and Alumni Engagement on the recent activities, developments and achievements in each of the areas within his portfolio, and his priorities for the next six months.

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

e. Other matters were discussed.

C. Governance and Nominating

a. The Board discussed the University’s response to the October 17, 2018 legalization of the recreational use of cannabis, with respect to the development of revisions to University policies and a process for full community consultation.

D. Responsible Investment

a. The Board adopted the minutes of the Responsible Investment Committee meeting of April 10, 2018.

E. Human Resources
a. **Academic Appointments**

The following academic appointments were approved and have been accepted:

- Dr. Sheelagh Carpendale, Computing Science, Professor with tenure, 01 Nov 18
- Dr. Tianzheng Wang, Computing Science, Assistant Professor, 01 Aug 18 – 31 Aug 22
- Mr. Sky Hopinka, Contemporary Arts, Assistant Professor, 01 Aug 18 – 31 Aug 22

b. **Other**

The Board approved:

- Mr. Scott Mackenzie, Librarian Emeritus, W.A.C. Bennett Library, 01 Sep 18
- Dr. Robert Anderson, Professor Emeritus, Communication, 01 Sep 18
- Dr. Robert Hackett, Professor Emeritus, Communication, 01 Sep 18
- Prof. Martin Gotfrit, Professor Emeritus, Contemporary Arts, 01 Sep 18
- 25% Modified Appointment, Computing Science, 01 Sep 18 – 31 Aug 20

F. **Other**

a. The Board received the President’s Activities Report for June, July and August 2018.

b. The Board Chair congratulated governor D. Williams on being named one of B.C.’s Top Forty under 40 in 2018 by *Business in Vancouver*.

c. In the context of a 2005 Memorandum of Understanding between SFU and the City of Surrey in which mutual goals and areas for collaboration were identified, the Board looked at the multiple initiatives and successes that are underway as well as future potential opportunities. At the conclusion of the Board meeting, members moved to Room 4010 for a view of the new Sustainable Engineering and Environmental Engineering building and the Surrey-City Centre precinct.

d. Other matters were discussed.

**CONFIDENTIAL SESSION**

a. The Board received for information the annual performance review recommendations for the senior executive group, noting that under government’s current executive compensation freeze, merit awards will be implemented only at such time that government policy permits, and following a further review and confirmation by the Board.

b. The Board approved the President’s Goals and Objectives for 2017/18.

c. Other matters were discussed.

The next Board of Governors Meeting will be held at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, November 23, 2017 in Room 126 of the Halpern Centre at SFU Burnaby.