

**BOARD OF GOVERNORS
November 30, 2022
Jorgenson Hall – JOR 1410
380 Victoria Street
9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**

MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Board of Governors of Toronto Metropolitan University (the “University”) held on Wednesday, November 30, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. in-person and by video and teleconference.

ATTENDANCE:

Present: S. Babikian, K. Bhatia, N. Campbell, J. Cockwell, J. Dallaire, S. Dworkin, I. Gammel, C. Garay, R. Graham, M. Kolios, M. Lachemi, G. Leong, D. Miller, M. Mullings, C. Paisley (Vice-Chair), D. Porter, S. Ragunathan, R. Rodrigues, S. Sinha, W. Soliman, T. Staffieri (Chair)

Regrets: N. Chauhan, J. Fakhim, J. Fukakusa, J. Kuriakose, N. Mohamed, E. Shim

Board Secretariat:

J. Shin Doi, General Counsel, Secretary of the Board of Governors, and University Privacy Officer
V. Luckiram, Governance Specialist
A. Mall, Senior Legal Counsel and Governance Officer

Others in Attendance:

M. Anthony, Director, Real Estate, Facilities Management and Development
M. Backo-Shannon, Vice-President, Clinical Programs and Innovation, Ontario Health (Central Region); Fellow, Health System Learning at The Institute for Better Health, Trillium Health Partners
G. Craney, Chief Strategy Officer, University Planning
M. Forbes, Chief of Staff and Executive Director, Communications
R. Frankle, Assistant Vice-President, Advancement
J. Grass, Assistant Vice-President, University Relations
R. Iannacito-Provenzano, Interim Provost and Vice-President, Academic
S. Kaur, Executive Director, School of Medicine
J. Lagerquist, Interim Director, Special Projects, Office of the President
S. Liss, Vice-President, Research and Innovation
G. Mallon, Assistant Vice President, Facilities Management & Development
J. McKee, Chief Financial Officer
J. McMillen, Vice-Provost, Students
I. Mishkel, Vice-President, University Advancement and Alumni Relations

M. Moshe, Senior Advisor to Provost and Vice-President, Academic, MD Program Proposal Development

L. Nater, Senior Presentation Technology Specialist

J. Neiman, Director, Pensions and Benefits

J. O'Donnell, Chief Human Resources Officer

A. Padmos, Dean of Record for Toronto Metropolitan University School of Medicine

A. Saloojee, Interim Vice-President, Equity and Community Inclusion

S. Zolfaghari, Vice-President, Administration and Operations

1. IN-CAMERA DISCUSSION (Board Members Only)

2. IN-CAMERA DISCUSSION (Executive Group Invited)

END OF IN-CAMERA SESSION

3. INTRODUCTION

4.1 Welcome

4.1.1 Land Acknowledgement

T. Staffieri acknowledged the land.

4.1.2 Chair's Remarks

T. Staffieri welcomed Board members to the meeting. T. Staffieri thanked University Advancement, Urban Farms, and Board member S. Babikian's catering team for the gifts provided for the Board members. T. Staffieri acknowledged the recent professional accomplishments of Board members S. Dworkin, S. Ragunathan, and I. Gammel.

4.2 Approval of the November 30, 2022 Agenda

The agenda was approved as presented.

4. REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT

M. Lachemi introduced R. Iannacito-Provenzano, Interim Provost and Vice-President, Academic, who started her role on October 1, 2022. M. Lachemi provided an update on his trip to Cairo, Egypt, where he met with Toronto Metropolitan University Cairo students and toured the state-of-the-art facility.

M. Lachemi advised that Bill 26, which included an amendment to change the *Ryerson University Act* to the *Toronto Metropolitan University Act* has passed its first and second reading in the Ontario Legislature. M. Lachemi advised that when he spoke before the Standing Committee on Social Policy on November 22, 2022, the University received support

from all the political parties for its action on this issue. M. Lachemi noted that no changes were made by the government to the language drafted for the amendment and that two (2) new Senate seats will be added to represent the new law school and medical school.

M. Lachemi reported that on October 25, 2022, R. Iannacito-Provenzano unveiled a public art piece on the west-facing wall of Kerr Hall, which was commissioned by the University as part of the Arctic/Amazon: Networks of Global Indigeneity, an expansive curatorial program led by the Wapatah Centre for Indigenous Visual Knowledge at OCAD University. M. Lachemi noted that the mural is the third public art piece recently installed on campus as part of the University's commitment to increase Indigenous placemaking, a priority set out in the Campus Master Plan.

M. Lachemi thanked T. Staffieri for his generosity in supporting the University's vision to increase equitable access to legal education and medical training for individuals from underrepresented groups with his gift in the amount of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) to create the Staffieri Family Scholarships in Law and Medicine. M. Lachemi recognized that this gift is the first major gift for the new School of Medicine. T. Staffieri commented that he and his family were grateful to assist the University and that it was wonderful to meet the recipients of the law scholarships at a recent reception.

5. REPORT FROM THE SECRETARY

J. Shin Doi, Secretary of the Board, advised that her written report was included in the Board materials. J. Shin Doi congratulated G. Mankovskii, a PhD graduate from the Physics Department, on receiving the Fall 2022 Board of Governors Student Leadership Award and Medal. J. Shin Doi gave notice that the By-Laws of the University will be amended once the University's legal name is recognized.

6.1 Board of Governors Election Dates 2023

J. Shin Doi advised that the Board of Governors Election dates for 2023 were included in the Board materials.

6. REPORT FROM THE INTERIM PROVOST AND VICE PRESIDENT ACADEMIC

7.1 The Academic Year Ahead

R. Iannacito-Provenzano reported on the vision for the year ahead, which will continue to be guided by fulfilling the recommendations in the Standing Strong Task Force Report and the Anti-Black Racism Campus Climate Review Report. R. Iannacito-Provenzano discussed the plans for winter 2023 and the priority of the health and safety of the University's community.

R. Iannacito-Provenzano outlined the enrollment numbers and advised that after two (2) years of significant expansion in undergraduate domestic enrollment, the University has

returned to the enrollment corridor and will plan accordingly for 2023-24. R. Iannacito-Provenzano noted that the landscape for international student enrollment continues to be uncertain due to COVID-19 policies and Canadian visa delays, but that the University continues to expand international enrollment through winter intake by providing these students with the option to begin their studies in January 2023.

R. Iannacito-Provenzano advised she is leading the search for the dual position of Dean of the School of Medicine and Vice-President, Medical Affairs and explained that a series of town hall meetings were held in November 2022 regarding the planning and development of the medical school.

R. Iannacito-Provenzano reported that in September 2022 the University welcomed the first cohort of students at the Cairo campus and that she is leading the search for the Chief Administrative Officer, which will oversee the strategic and administrative functions of the campus in Egypt.

R. Iannacito-Provenzano spoke about a new digital learning and teaching strategy; an academic leadership initiative; the development of an interdisciplinary inclusive school of public policy; and a new interdisciplinary minor in LGBTQ2S+ to be offered in 2023-24. R. Iannacito-Provenzano introduced P. Albanese, the new Interim Vice-Provost, Faculty Affairs.

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS

8.1 Report from the Chair of the Employee Relations and Pensions Committee

8.1.1 Amendment #7 to the Ryerson Retirement Pension Plan

It was moved, seconded and carried that:

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED:

THAT the Board of Governors approves Amendment #7 to the Ryerson Retirement Pension Plan which rescinds section 3 of Amendment #5 to the Ryerson Retirement Pension Plan; and increases the University's contribution rate for faculty members to the Ryerson Retirement Pension Plan effective January 1, 2021.

8.1.2 Amended and Restated Total Earnings Supplemental Plan for Employees of Ryerson University

It was moved, seconded and carried that:

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED:

THAT the Board of Governors approves the Amended and Restated Total Earning Supplemental Plan for Employees of Ryerson University effective January 2021, which increases the contribution rate to the Total Earnings Supplemental Plan for Employees of

Ryerson University; and incorporates certain other revisions in the administration of the Total Earnings Supplemental Plan for Employees of Ryerson University.

8. REPORT FROM THE CHAIR OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

9.1 Financial Statements (unaudited) for the period ending October 31, 2022

It was moved, seconded and carried that:

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED:

THAT the Board of Governors approves the Financial Statements (unaudited) for the period ending October 31, 2022, as presented.

9. FOR INFORMATION

10.1 Report from the Chair of the Finance Committee

10.1.1 Fiera Capital Report - September 30, 2022

10.1.2 2022-23 Enrolment Update

10.2 2021-2022 Sexual Violence Policy Report

10.3 Periodic Program Review Summary and Implementation Plan Reports approved in 2021-2022

10.4 Graduating Student Survey 2021

10. CONSENT AGENDA

11.1 Approval of the September 28, 2022 Minutes

The minutes were approved as presented.

11. TERMINATION

NEXT MEETING: January 30, 2023