

Minutes of the 506th Meeting of the Mohawk College Board of Governors

Date of Meeting:	November 20, 2024
Place of Meeting:	Bert Hares Boardroom, Fennell Campus and Video Conference
Chair:	Anna Filice
Members Present:	Kathy Lerette Rick Anderson Paul Armstrong Shaun Padulo Yvonne Maidment Gabriela Soraggi Shantal Woolsey Hayley Hopkins Claudia Novelo Fragoso Vickie Baird Matthew MacLean Brian Henry Gail Burns Sean Chesney Karen Belaire (10:05 am)
Regrets:	None
Board Secretary:	Julia Sippel, Corporate Secretary
Resources:	Angela Zehr, Chief Financial Officer Rose Zhang, Internal Audit
Others Present:	Cebert Adamson, Vice President, Academic Katie Burrows, Vice President, Students & International Trish Loomis, Vice President, Communications & External Affairs Kim Watkins, Vice President, Corporate Services Lorna Somers, Vice President, Advancement & Alumni Engagement Megan Mascarin, Chief Human Resources Officer Lauren O'Hare, Administrator Monika Dudek, Administrator
Also Present:	Heather Giardine-Tuck Sarah Harvie Susan Lau

1. Call To Order, Land Acknowledgement & Health and Safety Moment

Quorum being present, the 506th Board of Governors meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

Governor Yvonne Maidment gave a land acknowledgement and Megan Mascarin provided a Health and Safety Moment.

2. Changes to the Agenda

With no objections, the agenda was approved.

3. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

Governor Rick Anderson informed the Board of his association with Six Nations Polytechnic, as referenced in item 6.5, due to his employment there.

4. Chair's Remarks

The Chair welcomed the Mohawk College Board of Governors to the 506th Board of Governors meeting. The Chair welcomed Governors Gail Burns and Sean Chesney to their first Board meeting.

5. President's Remarks

Paul Armstrong spoke to the Board and provided a number of updates including the nominees from Mohawk College for the Premiers Awards at the upcoming Higher Education Summit. The advocacy work the College has undertaken in light of new policies, and an update on the brand tracking initiative undertaken by staff. President Armstrong also thanked the Board for their participation in his inauguration. The highlights video then played for the Board.

6. Open Consent Items

The Board approved the following Open Consent Items with no objection by members:

6.1 Notice of Amendments to By-law No. 1 PO.24.11.193

THAT the Chair of the Board gives notice to the Board of Governors on November 20, 2024 that proposed amendments to By-law No. 1 will be presented to the Board of Governors at its next meeting, which is scheduled for February 19, 2025. MOTION 506.OC.11.20.6.1

6.2 Board Retreat Report: Good Governance PO.24.11.191

THAT Report PO.24.11.191: Board of Governors Retreat – Good Governance be received for information purposes and that the report template as attached as Appendix A, be endorsed for future use.

MOTION 506.OC.11.20.6.2

6.3 Board Policy Review: B06 Governor's Code of Ethical Conduct and B07 Conflict of Interest PO.24.11.192

THAT the following policies, attached as appendices A and B to Report PO.24.11.192, be approved:

1. B06: Governor's Code of Ethical Conduct
2. B07: Governor Conflict of Interest

MOTION 506.OC.11.20.6.3

6.4 Audit Planning Report Year Ending March 31, 2025 CS.24.11.617

THAT the Audit Planning Report for the year ending March 31, 2025, as provided in report CS.24.11.617, be approved.

MOTION 506.OC.11.20.6.4

6.5 Indigenous Education Report BG.24.11.114

THAT Report BG.24.11.114: Indigenous Education Council Report be received for information purposes.

MOTION 506.OC.11.20.6.5

6.6 Board Retreat Report: Internationalization Strategy BG.24.11.115

THAT Report BG.24.11.115: Report Back on Internationalization Strategy from Board Retreat be received for information purposes.

MOTION 506.OC.11.20.6.6

7. Open Decision / Discussion Items

7.1 Banner Update Presentation

Kim Watkins and Katie Burrows appeared before the Board and provided an update on the Banner project. A PowerPoint presentation was made and a copy available in the meeting file.

Highlights of the presentation included:

- Overview of major updates
- Updated integrated project plan
- Program level risks and updated risk scoreboard

Management responded to a number of questions from Governors.

Moved by Anna Filice

Seconded by Shaun Padulo

THAT the Banner Transformation Update be received for information purposes.

CARRIED (MOTION 506.OD.11.20.7.1)

8. Student Spotlight

A student spotlight video was played for members of the Board.

The Board took a ten-minute break and then commenced the closed portion of the agenda.

9. Upcoming Meetings / Events

Governance & Human Resources Committee – February 11, 2025
Audit, Finance & Infrastructure Committee – February 12, 2025
Board of Governors Meeting – February 19, 2025

10. Termination

On motion made and duly seconded, the meeting terminated.