

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, October 27, 2017
River Campus Boardroom, Air Ronge
9:00 A.M. – 11:48 AM

Attendance:

Board

Bouvier, Myrna
 Durocher, Jackie (Acting Chair)
 Fern, Victor
 Polischuk, Doreen
 Trottier, Paul

Staff

Chrispen, Cherise
 Greschner, Toby (CEO)
 Goulet, Ordean
 Kyplain, Jennifer (recorder)
 Penney, Guy
 Young, Shelley

Regrets:

Charles, Deborah
 Favel, Veronica
 Sierzycki, Jodie

1. **CALL TO ORDER @ 9:10 AM**
2. **OPENING PRAYER – V. Fern**
3. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**
Additions: 9.2 Banking
10.4 Staff Appreciation
10.5 Student Supports

10-27-2236	MOTION	Moved by D. Polischuk, seconded by V. Fern to adopt the agenda as amended. <div style="text-align: right;">.../carried</div>
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4. **MINUTES**
 - 4.1 Minutes of the September 29, 2017 board meeting

10-27-2237	MOTION	Moved by P. Trottier, seconded by M. Bouvier to approve the September 29, 2017 minutes as presented. <div style="text-align: right;">.../carried</div>
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5. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES - none**
6. **REPORTS**

- 6.1 Facilities (handout)
 - Boiler went down at the Buffalo Narrows Residence, estimated cost to fix is \$3300.
 - Tendered out the foundation design for admin building. Mid Con engineering from Prince Albert was successful. We have a preliminary design, should begin work by May or June.
 - PMR will be submitted before December 15, 2017 requesting 250K for mud jacking, leveling, etc.
 - PMR for 481K will be submitted to renovate the old mine school addition including boiler, HVAC, wiring etc.

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- 6.2 Information Technology (handout)
 - For the second year in a row, the College received a notice of alleged copyright infringement sent to Northlands College by the Ministry of Education. After another investigation it was determined that the IP address did not belong to our College.
 - University programming will be migrating to the Rock (Mistashinhk bldg.).
 - The College’s inventory of laptops is end of life and needs to be replaced.
 - More staff are mobile than ever before, which results in more laptops issued.
- 6.3 Technical, Trades & Mining (handout & in-person)
 - Working on program plan for next year, options of programs as per handout.
 - Alternating certain program delivery between La Ronge, Buffalo and Creighton.
 - SIIT wanting to rent our building to run the small motor programming in Creighton
- 6.4 Academic Programming (handout & in-person)
 - 2018-19 University academic year in relation to scheduling and staffing needs. The goal is to continue to move in a direction of more face to face delivery. Advertising will be done for 4 specialist positions in the areas of math, biology, English and indigenous studies.
 - All university programming will be moved to the Rock in time for semester 2.
 - Finalizing two ABE partnerships with Lac La Ronge Indian Band and Peter Ballantyne Cree Nation.
 - 2018 ABE Grad has been set for May 30 at JRMCC.
- 6.5 Student Services (handout & in-person)
 - New building attendants in Buffalo and Ile a la Crosse have been hired due to the increased number of students in University.
 - Currently housing 69 students in La Ronge; 37 through LRHA and 32 through Burns and Hall apartments.
 - LRHA has the apartments until the end of January. After that there will be a new landlord. However, the rents will be honoured so not to affect the tenants.
 - Buffalo narrows residence have 7 students as of now, however, will be having the pipefitting program starting which will bring more students.
- 6.6 Marketing and Public Relations (handout)
 - Provide sponsorships to many local initiatives. List attached.
 - Scholarship Golf Tournament is June 7, 2018.
 - Vibrant Roots 20018 is May 9-10, 2018.
 - The Rock Shop is the new storefront located at the Mistasinihk Bldg.
- 6.7 Human Resources (handout)

10-27-2238	MOTION	Moved by M. Bouvier, seconded by P. Trottier to approve the reports as presented.	.../carried
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7. BUDGET AND FINANCE

- 7.1 2018 First Quarter Report
 - Waiver allowed certain amounts of salaries. Waiver includes: \$374,372 and \$131,640 salaries recovered from ABE and STA programs respectively.

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10-27-2239	MOTION	Moved by D. Polischuk, seconded by M. Bouvier to approve the budget and finance report as presented. .../carried
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8. CHAIR

- Attended a conference call on October 18, 2017 with Tammy Bloor Cavers and Mike Pestill. The four agenda items were discussed: CEO contract, CEO annual leave payout, NORTEP/PAC transition and budget process reporting on the 2017/18 budget.
- They would also like to set-up a meeting to discuss expectations for the post-secondary sector and what this means for governance at regional colleges. They would come to La Ronge. January was suggested but we do not have a regular meeting until February; therefore, we will invite them to the February 23 meeting.

10-27-2240	MOTION	Moved by M. Bouvier, seconded by P. Trottier to approve the chair report as presented. .../carried
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9. CEO

- Meeting with Buckley Belanger on October 11. This was a follow-up to a meeting request from both northern MLA's earlier this year. Buckley was able to provide some good insight into future programming on the west side. As a courtesy, we also extended an invitation to MLA Doyle Vermette, however, he was unable to meet, and we will continue to look for a time to meet with him.
- Our student recruitment officer has been busy with conducting surveys in high schools on the west side in order to help with collecting data on expectations with programming from students.
- We have made arrangements with the Buffalo Narrows Mayor and Council to meet on the evening of November 2. We will be discussing programming opportunities.
- Meet with Minister Kevin Doherty on October 4. It was a very informative and productive meeting.
- The new student cards were presented. These will be given to all Northlands College existing and new students.

10-27-2241	MOTION	Moved by V. Fern, seconded by M. Bouvier to approve the CEO report as presented. .../carried
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10. ITEMS FOR DECISION

10.1 University Programming Advisory Committee

- As per the Ministerial Directive of March 24, 2017, and Pursuant to section 14(h) of the Regional Colleges Act, the Minister has directed that the Northlands College Board establish an advisory committee with respect to university programming in the north.
- DRAFT Terms of Reference presented.

10-27-2242	MOTION	Moved by D. Polischuk, seconded by V. Fern, that Northlands College create a University Programming Advisory Committee and adopt a Terms of Reference for the Committee. .../carried
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12.2 Banking

- Due to the recent announcement of the CIBC bank – La Ronge Branch closer effective April 2018, we may want to re-think our recent motion to move our banking to CIBC from Conexus. The branch on the reserve will remain open.
- It was decided to leave as is.

10-27-2243	MOTION	Moved by P. Trottier, seconded by D. Polischuk to close the account #70-03919 at the CIBC branch in Flin Flon. .../carried
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11. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

11.1 MLA Reception – December 4, 2017

- Toby will attend.

11.2 Student Events and Fundraising

- It was discussed whether alcohol should be served at college events such as graduations, especially when children are present.
- DRAFT up recommendation and rationale for future meeting.
- Staff appreciation - \$75.00 gift card for our store

11.3 Meeting with Ministry – January 2018

- The Ministry is requesting to come up to meet with the Board and Sr. Staff to discuss accountability and governance. The date that was suggested was sometime in January, however, our next regular Board meeting is not until February 23, 2018.

12. CLOSING PRAYER/ADJOURN

10-27-2244	MOTION	Moved by Victor to adjourn 11:48 AM. .../carried
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Chair

Recorder