

# **UNBC** UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN BRITISH COLUMBIA

## **BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

### **PUBLIC SESSION MINUTES**

Thursday, January 30, 2025

Senate Chamber Room 1079

4:30 – 5:00 p.m.

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**Present** – I. Agoston, A. Alexander, A. Beswick, E. Dampson, J. Henley, J. Martin – VICE CHAIR, D. McIntosh, J. McKay – CHAIR, T. Morrison, P. Mullins, G. Payne, G. Stewart, T. Whitcombe,

**Regrets:**

**Absent:** I. Lakhani,

**Governance:** K. Howitt (University Secretary), A. Parent (Governance Officer – Recording), J. Unnuth, (Governance Coordinator)

**Administration:** B. Owen (Interim Vice-President Academic & Provost), R. Somani (Vice-President Finance and Administration), P. Wood-Adams (Vice-President Research and Innovation)

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The meeting commenced at 5:02 pm.

### **Acknowledgement of Territory**

For thousands of years, Indigenous Peoples have walked gently on the diverse traditional territories where the University of Northern British Columbia community is grateful to live, work, learn, and play. We are committed to building and nurturing relationships with Indigenous peoples, we acknowledge their traditional lands.

The Prince George campus is situated on the unceded traditional territory of the Lheidli T'enneh First Nation, part of the Dakelh (Carrier) peoples' territory.

The Chair acknowledged the First Nations territories on which we work.

#### **1. Chair's Remarks**

- Declarations of Conflict  
No conflicts declared.

- Correspondence Received

a. Letter from Ministry of Post- Secondary Education and Future Skills received.

#### **2. Approval of Agenda**

MOTION: 2025BP01.30.01 (T. Whitcombe/P. Mullins)

*That the Agenda for the Public Session of the January 30, 2025 meeting of the Board of Governors be approved as presented.*

CARRIED

3. **Approval of Minutes**

MOTION: 2025BP01.30.02 (T. Whitcombe/J. Martin)  
*That the Public Session Minutes of the November 28, 2024 meeting of the Board of Governors be approved as presented.*  
CARRIED

4. **Report from the Closed Session of the Board**

No report

5. **Business Arising from Previous Public Session Minutes**

None

6. **Reports of Committees and Related Motions**

(i) **Audit and Risk Committee** – G. Stewart, Chair  
Written report received.

a. **University Policies and Procedures Annual Update** – G. Payne and K. Howitt  
Materials were received and reviewed.

i. University Policies and Procedures Report

ii. [Link to University Policies and Procedures Approved Since March 2021](#)

(ii) **Finance and Investment Committee** – A. Beswick, Chair  
No report.

(iii) **Governance and Human Resources Committee** – J. McKay, Chair  
No report.

7. **Other Business**

a. **Annual Schedule of Board Meetings 2025** – included in the meeting package for information

b. **Schedule of Upcoming UNBC Events**

o Employee Recognition- Wednesday, February 13 from 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm

For more UNBC events, please visit [www2.unbc.ca/events](http://www2.unbc.ca/events)

8. **Adjournment**

MOTION: 2025BP01.30.03 (P. Mullins)  
*That the Board Public Session be adjourned.*  
CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 5:07 pm.