



MASSEY COLLEGE
in the University of Toronto
4 Devonshire Place,
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MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD

May 13, 2020 | 4-5pm
By Zoom / Teleconference

Present:

Board members: Alan Broadbent, Alissa Trotz, Aubie Angel, Barbara Sherwood Lollar, The Right Honourable Beverley McLachlin, Brian Silverman, Craig Thorburn, David Robertson, David Smith, Edith Hillan, Jennifer Jenkins, John Massey, Jonathan Rose, Liz Smyth, Nathalie Des Rosiers, Olivier Sorin, Paul Gooch, Peter Tovell, Pankaj Mehra, Raymond Massey, Sarianna Metso, Seshu Iyengar, Tim Casgrain

Officers and Staff: Catherine Fowler, Emily Mockler, Joyee Chau

Regrets:

Colleen Flood, David Cameron, Joshua Barker, Meric Gertler

Welcome and remarks from the Chair

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:02pm, thanked all board members present and gave a Land Acknowledgement Statement she then welcomed Senior Fellow Pankaj Mehra, the newest member of the Governing Board (GB). The Chair then invited Principal Des Rosiers to welcome the new Director of Advancement, Catherine Fowler and introduce her to the GB.

The Chair then delivered the following remarks:

Covid-19 has had a huge tremendous impact both personally and professional on all of us, especially the Junior Fellows – having to shift teaching, research and learning into virtual environments. The Principal and Staff has continued to support them in these challenging times. The Board has been working to keep our Board Committees vital and virtual to address ongoing and emerging needs of the College. The Chair thanked Senior Fellows and Quadrangle Society members for continuing to support Junior Fellows and Staff whose work life has been disrupted.

Many members of the Massey Community have been the public face and voice of much needed scientific evidence, one of these voices has been Senior Fellow Colleen Flood. Because of the extraordinary demands on her time, she has stepped down as the Chair of the Risk Committee – but has assured the community of her continued willingness to serve as a resource. On behalf of the board, I'd like to extend a thank you to Colleen for all of her hard work on behalf of the College.



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Approval of Agenda

Upon motion, duly made, seconded and unanimously carried **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** the agenda be approved and posted online. **CARRIED.**

Approval of Minutes

Upon motion, duly made, seconded and unanimously carried **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** the minutes of the March 27th meeting of the Governing Board be approved and posted online. **CARRIED.**

Report of the Principal

The Principal reported how she and her team are responding to the COVID- 19 Emergency by creating a contingency plan, should any members of staff should become ill and not be able to work. She described how social distancing is currently working at the College as well as how it can be further operationalized. She reported that the Terms of Reference for the Anti-Black Racism Committee are being created. She discussed how she is furthering her priorities:

- *Enhancing the Visibility of the College* through online events (such as the Massey Dialogues; the Book Club Gala that featured Senior Fellow Margaret Atwood, Susan Swan and Lily Cho, and the Chapel Royal Symposium);
- *Empowering the Community* through the establishment of the Security and Safety Committee and furthering the admissions process for the Fall of 2020 always mindful of the impact of COVID-19;
- *Ensuring the College's Sustainability* by working on an Architectural Evaluation and proactively working on finance and budgeting. The Principal introduced Catherine Fowler, the recently appointed Director of Advancement.



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The Board welcomed Catherine Fowler and heartily thanked Principal Des Rosiers for her tireless care for the College and its members, especially members of the Junior Fellowship.

Report of the Finance and Audit Committee

The Board heard a presentation by the Chair of the Finance and Audit Committee, Tim Casgrain, and the College's Bursar, Joyee Chau, on the 2020-21 Capital and Operating Budgets. This is the first time these budgets have been presented separately. The budgets address the fiscal realities resulting from COVID-19.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** the operating budget be approved. **CARRIED.**

Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** the capital budget be approved. **CARRIED.**

Other Business

The Board thanked The Right Honourable Beverly M McLachlin, the College Visitor, whose six year term is concluding.

The Board also thanked Senior Fellow Colleen Flood, the outgoing Chair of the Risk Committee who provided expertise to the College in managing COVID-19.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** Craig Thorburn be appointed the Chair of the Risk Committee. **CARRIED.**

In Camera Sessions

1. Principal and Governing Board Members
2. Governing Board Members

Adjournment

The Meeting adjourned at 4:40pm.