



Meeting of the Governing Board
December 2, 2021 | 3:00-5:00pm ET | Via Zoom

Present:

Joshua Barker, David Cameron, Nathalie Des Rosiers, Wanekia Dunn, Edith Hillan, Seshu Iyengar, Jennifer Jenkins, Anita McGahan (Vice-Chair), John Massey, Raymond Massey, Pankaj Mehra, Akwasi Owusu-Bempah (Chair), David Robertson, Barbara Sherwood Lollar, David Smith, Peter Tovell, Christine Tran, J Robert S Prichard

Officers and Staff:

Catherine Fowler, Emily Mockler

Regrets:

Tim Casgrain, Paul Gooch, Chief R. Stacey Laforme

Welcome & Remarks from the Chair

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:00pm ET, delivered a land acknowledgement statement and welcoming remarks.

Motion to approve the December 2, 2021 Governing Board Meeting Agenda

Upon motion, moved by J Robert S. Prichard, seconded by Edith Hillan and unanimously carried **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** the agenda for the meeting of the December 2nd Governing Board be approved and posted online. **Carried.**

Motion to approve the October 18, 2021 Governing Board Meeting Minutes

Upon motion, moved by Pankaj Mehra, seconded by Barbara Sherwood Lollar and unanimously carried **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** the minutes of the October 18, 2021 Governing Board Meeting be approved and posted online. **Carried.**

Business Arising

No business arising.

Report of the Principal

The Principal updated the Governing Board on the following topics:

1. COVID- 19
 - a. On-going adaptations
2. Supporting the Massey Community
 - a. Junior Fellows: Mentorship, Massey Program
 - b. Programming: High Tables, Massey Dialogues, SF lectures, Book and Music Clubs
 - c. Anti-Black Racism Council
3. Ensuring its Sustainability (Bursar's Report)
 - a. Fundraising Update
 - b. Financial Update

Strategy and Steering Committee Report Vice-Chair

The Chair then invited the Vice-Chair to review present work done by the strategy and steering committee report.

Discussion of the [*Strategy and Call to Action: The Massey Story*](#) document and questions followed.

Upon motion, duly made by Jennifer Jenkins, seconded by Christine Tran and unanimously carried **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** the Governing Board approve the report *Strategy and Call to Action: The Massey Story* prepared by the Strategy and Steering subcommittee. **Carried.**

Report from the Don of Hall

The Chair then invited the Don of Hall to deliver a short report. The Don of Hall covered Junior Fellow morale stating that there is lots of energy and excitement from the Junior Fellowship around the wealth of interdisciplinary online and in person events. There has been a great response to the events and programming – especially around the High Tables celebrating Pride and Muslim Communities. They also updated the Governing Board on the activities of the Junior Fellow House Committee and governance initiatives in process.

Report from the Chair of the Governance and Nominating Committee

The Chair then invited the Chair of the Governance and Nominating Committee (GNC) Edith Hillan to update the board on GNC activities. The tabled two motions brought by the GNC for review by the board:



Upon motion, duly made by Edith Hillan, seconded by David Cameron and unanimously carried **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** that James Bird be appointed as the Non Resident Junior Fellow representative to the Governing Board. **Carried.**

Upon motion duly made by Edith Hillan, seconded by Anita McGahan and unanimously carried **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** the Governing Board approve the recommendation that Lieutenant Governor of Ontario, Elizabeth Dowdeswell, be invited to be Honourary Patron of Massey College. **Carried.**

Report of the Risk Committee

The Chair of the Risk Committee, Pankaj Mehra updated the Governing Board on the activities of the Risk Committee – the committee met in August, as well as November 24th. They continue to monitor COVID protocols and public health guidelines from the province and work closely with Principal Des Rosiers in regards to College COVID protocols. Mr. Mehra then briefed the board on the update to the Massey College Bylaws, as well as the Risk Committee's work on mental health supports for the Junior Fellowship.

Report of the Alumni Representative

Mr. Wanekia Dunn gave a short report on the activities of the Massey College Alumni Association (MCAA) - dinners by alumni cohort have been well received and were well attended. The MCAA continue to work on Alumni outreach. Mr. Dunn will send a report to the board following the association's next meeting early in 2022.

Report of the Chair of the Finance and Audit Committee

In Mr. Casgrain's absence, The Principal invited the Governing Board to review the Bursar's Report which was circulated to the Board in advance of the meeting. The Principal also highlighted that the Finance and Risk Committee is currently evaluating Massey College's investment managers and are preparing a call for proposals. The Finance and Audit Committee plan to present a report and recommendation for a fund manager to the Governing Board by the end of this fiscal year.

Other Business

No other business raised.

In Camera Sessions

- 1 (Principal & GB Members)
- 2 (GB Members Only)

The meeting adjourned at 4:27pm ET.