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**Assiniboine College Board of Governors Meeting**

**Tuesday, September 15, 2026, Study Hall, MICA, North Hill Campus, Brandon**

**Board of Governors:**

Ruth Mealy (Chairperson), Jan Chaboyer (Vice Chairperson), Mona Cornock, Tere Stykalo, Mitchell Hengen, Ketan Patel, Randy Daley, Arianne Monroy De Leon (incoming student representative)

**Regrets:**

Jennifer Bone, Jeremy Wilkinson

**College Staff:**

Mark Frison (President), Shannon Brichon (Treasurer), Danielle Adriaansen, Derrick Turner, Brad Mahon, Brad Dodds, Anya McNabb, Amy Doerksen (Secretary), Julie Muller (remote), Erin Selby (remote)

**Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order by Ruth Mealy at 5:05pm. Attendance constituted a quorum.

**1. Land Acknowledgement – R. Mealy**

**2. Approval of Agenda**

**MOTION: Cornock /Patel**

That the agenda for September 15, 2026 (BOG:26/09/15) Board of Governors meeting be approved.

CARRIED

**3. Approval of Minutes of June 5, 2026**

**MOTION: Chaboyer / Hengen**

To approve the minutes of June 5, 2026 (BOG:26.06.05) Board of Governors meeting.

CARRIED

**4. New Business**

i) Fall Enrolment Report

- D. Adriaansen, VP of Students and Enrolment, provided an overview on fall enrolment compared to budget as well as last year's results.
- New domestic enrolment counts of actuals to budget are 3% under budget.
- New international enrolment counts of actuals to budget at 37% under budget. It was noted that there are additional intakes that will start in October to help these numbers improve.
- Returning domestic students are 12% higher than budgeted and returning international students are 172% higher however, many of these could be part-time students and will not contribute financially to budget in the same way as a full-time student.
- New student enrolment is down in all academic schools.
- Apprenticeship is showing strong enrolment and growth from 2025-26 academic year.
- Winter starts (January intakes) are being closely monitored with decision to cancel or defer programs being made in late fall. Practical Nursing rural rotating sites will commence in Morden, Neepawa and Beausejour in January 2027, Also, Primary Care Paramedic will welcome its first intake in January 2027 in Dauphin.

**5. Reports**

i) Executive and Governance Committee

- R. Mealy (Chair) provided an update from the committee that met earlier in September and approved the Committee Slate for 2026-27.

**6. 2026 College Report** –

i) Campus Development Updates

- B. Dodds, Director of Campus Development, reviewing the current major projects taking place around the college:

a) North Hill Campus High Voltage Line Upgrade – Project inherited by the Province in the transfer of assets. All work has been completed including the installation of a new transformer and underground high voltage line to stabilize power supply to the NHC Powerhouse.

b) Greenhouse Research Facility – Project has been delayed but is expected to be completed by the end of October.

c) Mechatronics Phase II – Construction of two classrooms and office/resource space for Learning Commons is moving along as planned and will be completed on time.

d) MICA West Wall – Project inherited by the Province in the transfer of assets. Project was delayed due to a complication during the permitting process with Heritage Manitoba however construction is expected to start soon.

e) Room 504 in Vic. Ave. East Campus – Contracts have been awarded for interior construction and activity has started. Work on emergency generator is also underway. Temporary generator and ATS will be in place for the end of September.

f) Student Housing – The college has engaged contractors to complete a CMHC funding application and initial signals have been positive about it being approved. A demand survey is being conducted shortly with a student survey. Excel 7 Ltd was awarded the design/build contract for the 240-bed facility that will mainly feature 4-bedroom apartment style units. The building site is at the North Hill Campus.

g) Prairie Innovation Centre – Functional space planning is currently under review. Building condition assessment, geotechnical investigations, etc. have largely been completed. This data will be used to inform technical design and construction. Remediation, demolition and other preparatory work is currently being discussed and expected to start early November.

ii) 65th Anniversary Update

- A. Doerksen, Director of Integrated Planning, provided an update on upcoming events and activities to celebrate Assiniboine's 65th anniversary including Homecoming, Rewind the Unwinder and a Curling Funspiel.

iii) The Board received the 2026 September College Report as provided.

**7. Closed Session**

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| **MOTION: Stykalo / Monroy De Leon** |
| That the Board of Governors move into the closed session. |
| CARRIED |

**8. Adjournment –** The meeting adjourned at 6:09pm.

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| **MOTION: Chaboyer** |
| That the Board of Governors adjourn the meeting. |
| CARRIED |

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Secretary Chair