

**MINUTES OF THE OPEN SESSION MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

Held on Wednesday, May 24, 2017, at 4 p.m.
in Room GM 410 (Board of Governors Meeting Room)
located on the 4th floor of the Guy-Metro Building,
1550 de Maisonneuve Blvd. West
on the SGW Campus

PRESENT

Governors: Helen Antoniou Molson, Françoise Bertrand, *Vice-Chair*, Sandra Betton, Theresa Bianco, Jeff Bicher, Antoinette Bozac (*via telephone*), Jean-Pierre Desrosiers, Mélanie La Couture, William Lynch, Lucinda Marshall-Kiparissis, Frédérica Martin, *Vice-Chair*, Michael Novak, Georges Paulez, Philippe Pourreaux, Frances Shaver, Alan Shepard, *President and Vice-Chancellor*

Alternate Governor: Terry Wilkings

Non-voting Observer: Jonathan Wener, *Chancellor*

Also attending: Philippe Beauregard, William Cheaib, Denis Cossette, Roger Côté, Frederica Jacobs, Lisa Ostiguy, Justin Powlowski, Lisa White (*for item 11*)

ABSENT

Governors: Norman Hébert jr., *Chair*, Gabriel Bran Lopez, Gina P. Cody, Daniel Cross, Hélène Fortin, Rahul Kumar, Tony Loffreda, Maria Peluso, Suzanne Sauvage

1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 4:07 p.m. by Vice-Chair Bertrand who was chairing the meeting in the absence of Board Chair Hébert.

1.1 **Adoption of the Agenda**

Upon motion duly moved and seconded, it was unanimously RESOLVED:

R-2017-4-7 *That the Agenda be approved, including the items on the Consent Agenda.*

CONSENT2. Adoption of April 19, 2017 Minutes

R-2017-4-8 *That the Minutes of the meeting of the Open Session of April 19, 2017 be approved.*

3. Professional liability waiver for an in-house architect (Document BG-2017-4-D5)

R-2017-4-9 *Considérant que Mme Mana Hemami, architecte, est au service exclusif de l'Université Concordia;*

Considérant que Mme Mana Hemami, architecte, ne pose des actes professionnels que pour des édifices destinés à l'usage exclusif de l'Université Concordia et non destinés à la revente;

IL EST RÉSOLU de déclarer aux fins du Règlement sur la souscription obligatoire au Fonds d'assurance de la responsabilité professionnelle de l'Ordre des architectes du Québec (chapitre A-21, r. 13) que l'Université Concordia se porte garant et s'engage à prendre le fait et cause et répondre financièrement des conséquences de toute erreur ou omission de Mme Mana Hemami dans l'exercice de ses fonctions.

4. Audit Committee report (Document BG-2017-4-D6)
5. Finance Committee report (Document BG-2017-4-D7)
6. Governance and Ethics Committee report (Document BG-2017-4-D8)
7. Honorary Degree and Convocation Committee (Document BG-2017-4-D9)
8. Human Resources Committee (Document BG-2017-4-D10)

There reports are provided for information.

REGULAR9. Business arising from the Minutes not included on the Agenda

There was no business arising from the Minutes not included on the Agenda.

10. President's report (Document BG-2017-4-D11)

Prof. Shepard thanked those Governors who attended his speech at the May 10 event organized by CORIM. He also provided an update on some activities around the campus and highlighted some information included in his written report.

Following his report, he responded to questions.

11. Annual report from the Office of Rights and Responsibilities (Document BG-2017-4-D11)

Associate Advisor Lisa White summarized the mandate of the Office of Rights and Responsibilities (ORR) and presented the highlights of the annual report, including some key statistics. To illustrate the type of situations that ORR deals with on a regular basis,

Ms. White shared three narratives, one situation involving two students, another involving two employees and the third regarding a student of concern.

Following her presentation, Ms. White responded to questions of clarification. It was suggested that some comparative data be included in next year's report in connection with some of the charts included in the annual report.

12. Report on compliance with environmental legislation and health and safety (EH&S) regulations (Document BG-2017-4-D12)

Mr. Côté summarized the key elements of the report, specifying that while the number of safety training sessions has decreased, the number of participants in those sessions has increased. He underlined that the increase in the number of citations is linked to the increased number of inspections and assessments.

With respect to work-related injuries, he noted the absence of any extreme injury which would compromise an employee's long term health or well-being. The awareness campaign regarding campus safety continues to track well. Following his summary, he responded to questions and comments.

13. COPIBEC Copyright License Agreement renewal (Document BG-2017-4-D13)

Me Jacobs apprised the Board that renewal was being sought for this agreement which the University has signed in different iterations since 1999. She was pleased to convey that the negotiations in 2014 had resulted in a 29% decrease in the price per FTE and that again this year, there has been another decrease of approximately 10%. She explained that the state of the law regarding copyright, "fair dealing" and other exceptions to copyright law remains in flux, and that this agreement will continue to provide stability while the legal landscape is being settled.

In response to various questions, Me Jacobs advised that this renewal will be signed by all of the Quebec universities, excluding Université Laval which is currently in litigation with COPIBEC. She further added that external legal expertise was sought and obtained by the negotiating team prior to undertaking negotiations with COPIBEC.

Upon motion duly moved and seconded, it was RESOLVED (*Lynch requesting that his opposition be noted in the Minutes*):

R-2017-4-10 ATTENDU QUE la « Convention concernant la reproduction d'œuvres littéraires dans les établissements d'enseignement d'ordre universitaire (2014-2017) » vient à échéance le 31 mai 2017;

ATTENDU QUE le Comité des secrétaires généraux du Bureau de coopération interuniversitaire (BCI) a été mandaté pour la négociation du renouvellement de ladite convention avec COPIBEC;

ATTENDU l'entente intervenue avec COPIBEC sur le texte de la Convention concernant la reproduction d'œuvres littéraires dans les établissements d'enseignement d'ordre universitaire (2017-2021);

ATTENDU la recommandation du Comité exécutif et du Comité des secrétaires généraux du BCI, ainsi que le résultat de la consultation menée par le BCI auprès des membres de son conseil d'administration concernant le texte de la Convention concernant la reproduction d'œuvres littéraires dans les établissements d'enseignement d'ordre universitaire (2017-2021);

ATTENDU l'intérêt pour l'Université Concordia, comme établissement d'enseignement de niveau universitaire, d'adhérer à la Convention concernant la reproduction d'œuvres littéraires dans les établissements d'enseignement d'ordre universitaire (2017-2021) aux fins de sa mission d'enseignement et de recherche;

IL EST RÉSOLU :

d'approuver l'adhésion de l'Université Concordia à la Convention concernant la reproduction d'œuvres littéraires dans les établissements d'enseignement d'ordre universitaire (2017-2021), selon le document BG-2017-4-D14 joint à la présente résolution; et

d'autoriser la secrétaire générale à signer, pour et au nom de l'Université Concordia, la Convention concernant la reproduction d'œuvres littéraires dans les établissements d'enseignement d'ordre universitaire (2017-2021).

14. Revision to the Copyright fee (Document BG-2017-4-D14)

Upon motion duly moved and seconded, it was unanimously RESOLVED:

R-2017-4-11 *Whereas at its meeting of May 21, 2014, the Board of Governors approved a decrease in the Copyright fee from \$0.77 to \$0.53 per credit collected from all students beginning with the Summer term 2014/1 term;*

Whereas the current Copyright fee collected from all students will cease as of May 31, 2017;

Be it resolved that the Board of Governors approve the collection of a revised Copyright fee of \$0.45 per credit from all students for the next four successive years (2017/2018, 2018/2019, 2019/2020 and 2020/2021), effective with registration for the Summer 2017 term (2017/1), in accordance with the University billing, refund and withdrawal policy.

15. Other business

Ms. Marshall-Kiparissis asked if the increased security at today's meeting was the "new normal" and, if so, she urged that this be clearly communicated to the University community. The President responded that he would address security issues during the Closed Session.

16. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:06 p.m.



Danielle Tessier
Secretary of the Board of Governors