

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

**November 24, 2016**

The meeting was held at 1:00 p.m. in Room 4155 Stevenson Hall.

PRESENT:     Mr. H. Hassan, Chair  
              Ms. I. Birrell, Secretary

Mr. J. Adams	Mr. M. Helfand
Dr. P. Bishop	Mr. P. Jenkins
Ms. W. Boye	Mr. J. Knowles
Dr. J. Capone	Mr. M. Lerner
Dr. A. Chakma	Dr. K. Mequanint
Ms. S. Chrominska	Ms. N. Noonan
Ms. K. Cole	Mr. B. Ross
Dr. J. Deakin	Ms. C. Stephenson
Mr. K. Gibbons	Dr. J. Toswell
Dr. R. Giffin	Mr. M. Wilson

By Invitation: C. Beynon, C. Brunette, C. Dean, R. Ezekiel, M. Kicknosway, L. Logan, J. Luker, J. O'Brien, C. Richmond, B. Stonefish, J. White

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**Land Acknowledgement**

The Chair acknowledged that Western's campus is situated on the traditional territories of the Anishinaabeg, Haudenosaune, Lenaapeewak and Attawandaron peoples, all of whom have

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The President's report, distributed with the agenda, consisted of the following topics: Post-Secondary Institutions Strategic Investment Fund, changes to student funding programs, immigration process changes that will benefit students, other government relations activities, Fall Preview Day, Homecoming 2017 update, leadership update, and activities of the President since the September Board meeting. He also reported on the provincial budget update, the \$180 million allocation to support local access to university education in new "university-led" sites in Milton and Brampton, anniversary celebrations for the Department of Economics and Robarts Research Institute, Global Ivey Day, a recent celebration in Kingston for the election of colleagues to the Royal Society of Canada, Law's annual alumni event in Toronto, and the fourth annual breakfast for international students.



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**Information Items Reported by the Property & Finance Committee**

The Report of the Property & Finance Committee, detailed in Appendix II, contained the following items that were received for information by unanimous consent:

Report on Underwater Endowments

**REPORT FROM THE MCINTOSH GALLERY COMMITTEE** [Appendix IV]

BG.16-127 **Annual Report from the McIntosh Gallery 2015-16**

The Board received for information the McIntosh Gallery Annual Report 2015/16, detailed in Appendix IV.

**ITEMS REFERRED BY SENATE** [Appendix V]

BG.16-128 **Indigenous Strategic Plan – Final Report**

The Chair announced that the presentation of the Indigenous Strategic Plan (ISP) is an important moment in Western's history. To mark the seminal nature of this occasion, he invited Visiting Elder Myrna Kicknowsay to give a traditional greeting noting that having an Elder provide a traditional opening at important and historic events is an integral part of Indigenous cultures.

Following the greeting, the Chair welcomed members of the Indigenous Strategic Initiatives Committee: Jana Luker, Brent Stonefish, Jerry White, Carol Beynon, Charmaine Dean, Candace Brunette, Chantelle Richmond and Rick Ezekiel.

R. Ezekiel and C. Richmond provided an overview of the Indigenous Strategic Plan detailed in Appendix V, Annex 1, including the process for the development of the ISP, eight strategic

