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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

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A. Shepard, President & Vice Chancellor offered his congratulations to the Class of 2020 whose degrees were conferred on June 19. He applauded the work that the Communications team and individual faculties did to help graduates celebrate virtually. He said that Western is committed to inviting the Class of 2020 to a future Convocation to provide opportunity for those graduates to celebrate in person once it is safe to do so.

A. Shepard reported that more than 800 students, faculty, staff and alumni attended the virtual Anti-Racism Working Group Town Hall on June 24. He encouraged Board members to watch the recording of the town hall posted on the Office of the President's website.

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BG.2051 UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGENDA [Appendix I]

It was moved by R. Konrad seconded by D. Keddy

That the items listed in Appendix I, Unanimous Consent Agenda, ~~except 2~~  
(Director's Report: McIntosh Gallery Pandemic Action Plan) approved or received for  
information.

CARRIED

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REPORT OF THE SENIOR POLICY AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE [Appendix III]

Prior to considering the Report of the Senior Policy and Operations Committee, R. Konrad provided the Board with a high level overview of the work of the Committee.

BG.2058 Annual Report 269 8vee



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A Board member noted that definitions of 'Registration' and 'Collection' had not been included in the policy. J. Patten indicated that he would provide the definitions to the University Secretariat.

The question was called and CARRIED (no abstention)

BG.2063 Director's Report: McIntosh Gallery Pandemic Action Plan

The Director's Report on the McIntosh Gallery Pandemic Action Plan was provided in Appendix VI, Annex 4.

A Board member expressed concern that some of the guidelines set out in the McIntosh Gallery Pandemic Action Plan may not be keeping with the University's overall strategy. Patten responded that the guidelines had been set under the pressure of the pandemic and in the absence of a clear strategy.

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BG.2066 Faculty of Social Science Proposed Name Change: The Department of Geography to the Department of Geography and Environment

It was moved by R. Konrad, seconded by D. Keddy,

That the Board of Governors approve that the Department of Geography within the Faculty of Social Science be renamed as the Department of Geography and Environment, effective July 1, 2020.

CARRIED (by Unanimous Consent)

BG.2067 Information Items Referred by Senate

Appendix VI, Items Referred by Senate, contained the following items that were received for information by unanimous consent:

- x Annual Report of the Working Group on Information Security (WG2019)
- x Report on Promotion, Tenure and Continuing Appointment
- x Report of the Academic Colleague
- x Academic Administrative Appointments

BG.2068 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

No questions were raised.

BG.2069 OTHER BUSINESS

On behalf of the Board, R. Konrad thanked R. Richter and K. Mequanint, whose terms end June 30, 2020, for their time and service to the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned to the confidential session at 2:10 p.m.

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R. Konrad  
Chair

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A. Bryson  
Acting Secretary