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### **3. Chair's Items**

A discussion took place regarding the succession plan for the current Chair.

The Chair, joined by the Interim University Secretary, provided a detailed synopsis of the nomination and election procedures required to appoint eligible Governors into the Board Leadership roles of Board Chair and Board Vice-Chair. The Interim University Secretary reviewed the General Board Bylaws and the Board Nominating Committee's Terms of Reference to help facilitate a thorough discussion among members regarding the status of the renewal progress, and the proposed June timeline to proceed to the June 16, 2023 AGM.

### **4. Adjournment**

Having exhausted the items on the agenda Mr. Jeff Bangs, Chair adjourned the meeting at 4:44 p.m.

## **OPEN SESSION**

The Chair of the Board of Governors ("the Board"), Mr. Jeff Bangs, called the meeting to order at 4:46 p.m. and confirmed quorum. Mr. Bangs then opened the meeting by acknowledging the Robinson-Huron Treaty of 1850 and further recognized that Laurentian University is on the traditional lands of the Atikameksheng Anishnawbek.

## **OPEN ACTION ITEMS**

### **1. Adoption of Agenda**

MOTION: Moved by Angela Recollet and seconded by Aaron Barry

That the agenda be approved as presented.

Carried unanimously.

### **2. Declaration of Conflicts of Interest**

The Chair invited members to declare any conflicts of interest relevant to the agenda and reminded Governors that at any time during the meeting proceedings they are respectfully encouraged to consider and raise any potential conflict, which may arise during discussions.

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### **3. Executive Committee Items**

#### **3.1 Notice of Proposed Amendments to the General Board Bylaws and Board Committee Restructuring**

The Chair invited Interim University Secretary, Mark Johnson to provide more information on this item. Mr. Johnson provided further context about restructuring the Board Standing Committees and

noted the circulated materials that provide more details. Mr. Johnson highlighted the proposed bylaw changes. He added voting on this matter would occur at the June 21st meeting of the Board of Governors, taking effect immediately. Further steps taken would be the revision of the Terms of References. He provided a timeline to when the new Committee structure would be in place by.

A fulsome discussion ensued regarding Senate representation on the new Standing Committees, as well as the joint request of the union partners and the Board of Governors made to the Province to change legislation so to have three members to be union representation. It is unclear yet as to whether or not the three positions would be part of the existing whole complement of the 16 members or, will it involve adding three additional spots. No word yet from the Province regarding its decision on this matter.

#### **4 Nominating Committee Items**

##### **4.1 Election and Appointment of Chair of the Board of Governors**

The Chair invited the Vice-Chair of the Nominating Committee, Laura Kurkimaki to present this item. Ms. Kurkimaki explained a new Board Chair has to be elected due to be effective upon the departure of the incumbent Chair, Jeff Bangs. The Board Chair is an ex-officio voting member to all Board Standing Committees.

RESOLUTION: Moved by Jim Gallagher and seconded by Aaron Barry

BE IT RESOLVED,

THAT the Board of Governors elect Mr. Vernon Cameron as Chair of the Board of Governors for a period of two year(s), commencing on July 1, 2023 at the close of June 30, 2025, as recommended by the Board Nominating Committee, and as presented at its meeting of June 7, 2023.

Carried unanimously.

#### **5. Chair's Items**

The Chair had no other items to present.

#### **6. Adjournment**

Having exhausted the items on the agenda Mr. Jeff Bangs, Chair adjourned the meeting at 5:13 p.m.

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Jeff Bangs, Chair

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Mark Johnson, Interim University Secretary