

With respect for cultures and the needs of communities, Northern Lakes College provides quality educational programs and services which enable adults to continue their education, to improve their employment opportunities, and to enhance their quality of life.



MINUTES

The Board of Governors of Northern Lakes College

October 25, 2011

Stony Point (Wabasca) Campus, 11:00 a.m.

Present:

Governors	
Archie Cunningham - <i>Public Member (Chair)</i>	✓
Ahmed (Andy) Assaf - <i>Public Member</i>	✓
Gerald Cunningham - <i>Public Member (Vice Chair)</i>	✓
Colin Kelly - <i>Public Member</i>	✓
Jennifer Moore - <i>Public Member</i>	✓
Wilf Willier - <i>Public Member</i>	✓
Sandra Willing - <i>Public Member</i>	✓
Scott Biggin - <i>Faculty Association-nominated Member</i>	✓
Jordan Koski - <i>Student-nominated Member Designate (Observer)</i>	✓
Colin Ross - <i>Staff Association-nominated Member</i>	✓
Rick Neidig - <i>President</i>	✓
Staff	
Madeline McVey, <i>Vice President, Academic</i>	✓
Lynne Haas, <i>Vice President, College Services</i>	✓
Brad Hestbak, <i>Senior Director, External Relations</i>	✓
Randy Anderson, <i>Community Consultant</i>	✓
Leigh Davies, <i>Secretary to the Board of Governors</i>	✓

1. Opening

1.1 Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 11:05 a.m. by Chair Archie Cunningham and the delegation from the MD of Opportunity was heard.

The Board recessed for a joint luncheon with the MD of Opportunity at 12:05 p.m.

The meeting resumed at 1:10 p.m.

MOTION 020-11/12

Moved by Colin Ross

That the Board move into Committee of the Whole.

CARRIED

The Board moved into Committee of the Whole at 1:10 p.m.

Vice Chair Gerald Cunningham assumed the Chair.

MOTION 021-11/12 Moved by Colin Kelly
That the Board move out of Committee of the Whole.
CARRIED

The Board moved out of Committee of the Whole at 2:20 p.m.
Archie Cunningham assumed the Chair.

1.2 Adoption of Agenda

MOTION 022-11/12: Moved by Andy Assaf
That the agenda for October 25, 2011 be adopted.
CARRIED

1.3 Acceptance of Minutes.

1.3.1 September 20, 2011

MOTION 023-11/12: Moved by Sandra Willing
That the minutes of September 20, 2011 be approved as corrected.
CARRIED

2. Introduction of Guests

2.1 The Council of the MD of Opportunity.

2.2 Ms. Lindy Fors, Coordinator of Adult Basic Education

3. Presentations and Delegations:

3.1 The Council of the MD of Opportunity.

3.2 Ms. Fors spoke and answered questions on the College's Adult Basic Education program.

4. Reports

4.1 President's Report: Rick Neidig

The President reported that a meeting was held with Trout/Peerless Band officials regarding the status of building projects, and it was suggested that the proposed new campus project will likely proceed in three years. A draft proposal for the conversion of the old Chateh health centre is now under review by Chief and Council, prior to submission to the federal Community Economic Opportunities Program. Dean Ernie Shanahan met with officials in Fox Creek to discuss the community's training needs. Mr. Neidig indicated that space will allow the College's learning circle of Practical Nurse students at the Fairview campus of Grande Prairie Regional College to continue through 2011-12. The Assistant Director of Facilities, Mr. Paul Chaulk, was recognized as Employee of the Year by the Slave Lake Chamber of Commerce, in recognition of his exceptional work during the wildfire crisis this spring. Enbridge has initiated meetings with B.C. and Alberta colleges to plan training for the job opportunities that will exist for communities along the route of the Northern Gateway Pipeline Project. Vice President, Academic Madeline McVey has been working to reverse Alberta Employment and

Immigration's refusal to fund programs utilizing any amount of asynchronous instruction. To date, funding has been restored for one program, and Ministry officials now want to conduct a one-by-one assessment of other programs before reinstating funding for others. The 20-week Integrated Trades Preparation program begins February 1, 2012, and will provide intensive academic upgrading, exposure to trades, safety training and work experience preparatory to students writing various Trades Entrance Examinations. Board members Sandra Willing and Jennifer Moore, along with Senior Director Brad Hestbak and Fundraising Coordinator Monica Edwards, attended the Local Opportunities Committee meeting recently in Peace River. The Committee hopes to create a corporation to match industry's requirements with local contractors and businesses in the Peace region. Dual credit carpentry is now available at Roland Michener School in Slave Lake, and a carpentry program for the Métis Nation will begin in early December. The College participated in the Laricina open house and trade fair in Wabasca on October 20, 21. President Neidig also reported that all of the College's Practical Nurse program graduates who wrote the national examination passed – greatly exceeding both the Alberta and national pass rates. A proposal is being drafted for submission to the Northern Alberta Development Council for funding for a project which will utilize the High Prairie Tolko site as a training facility.

MOTION 024-11/12: Moved by Wilf Willier
That the Board accept the President's Report as information.

CARRIED

MOTION 025-11/12: Moved by Gerald Cunningham
That the Board move in camera.

CARRIED

The Board moved in camera at 2:45 p.m.

Colin Ross and Leigh Davies left the meeting at 2:55 p.m.

Rick Neidig left the meeting at 3:15 p.m.

Colin Ross returned to the meeting at 3:20 p.m.

MOTION 026-11/12: Moved by Wilf Willier
That the Board move out of camera.

CARRIED

The Board moved out of camera at 3:35 p.m.

Rick Neidig and Leigh Davies returned to the meeting.

MOTION 027-11/12: Moved by Andy Assaf
That the Board ratify the collective agreement as negotiated with the Alberta Union of Public Employees, Local 71, for the period July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012.

CARRIED

Colin Ross abstained.

MOTION 028-11/12: Moved by Wilf Willier
That the Board approves as presented the Management Exempt Regulation, for the period July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012.

CARRIED

Colin Ross abstained.

MOTION 029-11/12: Moved by Colin Kelly
That the Board approves as presented the Senior Management Team Regulation, for the period July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012.

CARRIED

Rick Neidig and Colin Ross abstained.

Scott Biggin left the meeting at 4:05 p.m.

5. Business Arising-Ongoing

5.1 November 15th and December 13th Board Meeting Venues: Rick Neidig

The Board agreed to change their November 15th meeting from a videoconference meeting to a face-to-face meeting in Slave Lake, and move their December meeting to Monday, December 19th, in order to accommodate Students' Association members involved in the annual fee consultation with the Board, but write examinations during the week of December 12th. It was agreed that both meetings will begin at 10:00 a.m.

5.2 Official Opening of the Trades and Technology Building: Rick Neidig

The Board agreed to holding an official opening of the Trades and Technology Building in Slave Lake, in conjunction with their November 15th meeting.

Andy Assaf left the meeting at 4:10 p.m.

Jennifer Moore and Sandra Willing left the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

5.3 Board Retreat in Peace River December 5-7: Rick Neidig

Mr. Neidig briefed the Board on plans for the Board's annual retreat. This year, the Board has invited the Council of Community Education Committees (CCEC) to join them on December 5th and 6th.

Sandra Willing returned to the meeting at 4:35 p.m.

6. Business Arising-Ongoing

6.1 Out of Country Travel Request: Lynne Haas

MOTION 030-11/12: Moved by Colin Ross

That the Board approve the out of country travel request for staff member professional development, as presented by the Vice President, College Services.

CARRIED

6.2 Golden Eagle Awards Slave Lake, November 18: Brad Hestbak

Mr. Hestbak informed the Board that the College is supporting this local event, and invited Governors to attend.

6.3 First Draft of Proposed 2012-2013 Tuition Fees: Rick Neidig

The Board discussed the first and preliminary draft of the tuition fees proposed for the 2012 – 2013 operational year.

Colin Kelly left the meeting at 4:48 p.m.

7. Policy Review

No policies were reviewed by the Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

The next meeting will be held at the Slave Lake campus, beginning at 10:00 a.m.