



**Vancouver Island University
Board of Governors**

**Synopsis of Meeting Held March 15, 2012
at the Nanaimo Campus**

(full details of the agenda can be found at https://isweb.viu.ca/comm_public. (click on “+” symbol)

At its meeting held on March 15, 2012 the Board of Governors:

Approved: Change in Venue

The Board approved the change in meeting venue from the Powell River Campus to the Nanaimo Campus due to weather conditions.

Approved: Tuition Fee Increase

The Board gave second reading and approved a tuition fee increase, consistent with the Ministry Tuition Policy of 2%, effective April 1, 2012. [Click here for full Details.](#)

Approved: Policies and Procedures

The Board gave second reading and approved the following policies and procedures:

- [Procedure 44.01.001 – Tobacco Use on VIU Premises](#)
- [Policy 41.16 – Political Engagement – Employees of VIU](#)
- [New Policy 32.10 – Confidentiality of Student Records](#)
- [New Procedure 32.10.001 – Confidentiality of Student Records](#)
- [New Policy – Endowment Funds](#)

The Board approved housekeeping changes to the following policies and procedures:

- Procedure 41.08.003 – Research Grants (rescinded)
- [Policy 44.12 – Displaying of Flags](#)
- [Procedure 44.12.001 – Displaying of Flags](#)
- [Policy 31.08 – Honorary Research Associates](#)
- [Procedure 31.08.001 – Honorary Research Associates](#)
- [Procedure 32.07.001 – Student Advising](#)

Approved: New Programs

The Board endorsed the granting of an *Online Learning and Teaching Diploma Program* to students successfully completing the program requirements.

Proposed: Policies and Procedures

The Board gave first reading and notice of motion for the following policies and procedures:

- [Policy 31.15 – Review and Assessment of Instructional Programs and Departments](#)
- [Procedure 31.15.001 – Review of New Instructional Programs](#)
- [Procedure 31.15.002 – Review of Existing Instructional Programs and Departments](#)

- [Procedure 31.15.003 \(New\) – Summative Assessment of Instructional Programs and Departments](#)
- [Procedure 31.15.004 \(New\) – Suspension, Cancellation, or Discontinuance of Programs](#)

For input, please forward comments to board@viu.ca before May 11, 2012.

Received Information Reports From

- Finance Committee
- President & Vice-Chancellor
- Board Members

Received For Information

- Assisted Leave Report – Don Alexander, Geography Department
- Ministry Letter re: Student Loan Default Rates

Next Board Meeting

- April 26, 2012 – Tentative and at the Call of the Chair
- May 23/24, 2012 – Nanaimo Campus
- June 27/28, 2012 – Nanaimo Campus

Approved Minutes

All approved Board minutes are available at https://isweb.viu.ca/comm_public.

Board Members

Shawn Atleo, Chancellor	Stewart Hawthorn
Ralph Nilson, President & Vice-Chancellor	Katie Marocchi
Mike Brown, Chair	John Phillips, Past Chair
Barb Carle-Thiesson, Vice-Chair	Steven Purse
Patrick Barbosa	Dominique Roelants
Kristine Chyplyk	Ann Scott
Bill Cripps	Bill Yoachim
Jerry Doman	

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Policy on Presentations to the Board by Employees, Students and Members of the Community (Policy 11.20)

The Board encourages persons or groups to address it on issues related to the University. A period of time will be set aside at each Regular Meeting of the Board and any person or group may speak to an issue. In addition, at the request of a person or group or on the decision of the Chairperson, presentation may be made at an in-camera meeting of the Board. Written briefs should be in the hands of the University Secretary/Senior Policy Advisor at least 10 working days in order to be included in the agenda of that meeting. Fifteen minutes will be allotted for scheduled presentations, and five minutes will be allotted for unscheduled presentations. Policy 11.20 can be viewed at https://isweb.viu.ca/policy_procedure/docshow.asp?doc_id=21017.

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