

**Synopsis of Meeting Held September 27, 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 September 27, 2012 the Board of Governors:

Toured the Faculty of Social Sciences

Prior to the meeting the Board toured the Faculty of Social Sciences and hosted a luncheon with faculty, staff, and students. A positive informational session was provided by faculty, staff and student representatives.

New Board Members

Two newly elected Board members were welcomed and introduced to the Board. Chris Bergen, student representative, was elected to the Board for a one year term ending June 30, 2013, and Chris Burnley, faculty representative, was elected to the Board for a three-year term ending June 30, 2014. The Oath of Office was signed by both new Board Members.

Approved: 2012-2013 Board Goals

The Board approved the 2012-2013 Board Goals. To view the approved goals please visit <http://www.viu.ca/board/BoardofGovernorsGoals.asp>.

Approved: 2012-2013 President’s Goals

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Approved: Committee/Board/Senate Appointments

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Approved: New Program

The Board endorsed the granting of the **Workplace Essential Skills Training (WEST)** 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 33.01 – Waiver of Tuition for University Employees in Courses](#)
- [Procedure 33.01.001 – Waiver of Tuition for University Employees in Courses](#)
- [Policy 11.30 – Governance](#)

Received Information Reports From

- Policy Development & Review Committee
- Facilities Committee
- Finance Committee
- President & Vice-Chancellor

Received For Information

- Letter from the Royal Embassy of Saudi Arabia
- Letter from Leonard Krog, MLA
- Ministry Letter August 28, 2012
- VIU Research Awards Committee Reports
- Entities controlled by VIU
- Government Letter of Expectations
- Ministry of Advanced Education Revised 2011/12-2013/14 Service Plan
- Senate Highlights – June 7, 2012

Next Board Meeting

- November 21/22, 2012 – Parksville/Qualicum Centre

Approved Minutes

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

Board Members

Mike Brown, Chair

Bill Cripps

Barb Carle-Thiesson, Vice-Chair

Jerry Doman

Shawn Atleo, Chancellor

Stewart Hawthorn

Ralph Nilson, President & Vice-Chancellor

John Phillips, Past Chair

Patrick Barbosa

Steven Purse

Chris Bergen

Ann Scott

Chris Burnley

Bill Yoachim

Kristine Chyplyk

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.