

## BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF ATHABASCA UNIVERSITY

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APPROVED minutes of the open session of the 251<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Board of Governors of Athabasca University held virtually on Monday, June 28, 2021.

**Present:** Nancy Laird (Chair), Deborah Meyers, Sharon Anderson, Bryan Berg, Lynn Hamilton, McDonald Madamombe, Shannon Neighbour, Larry Spagnolo, Sandip Lalli, Shawn Fraser, Derek Briton, Liam Connelly, Stacey Hutchings, Natalia Iwanek and Julia Cornester

**Governance Staff:** Carol Lund (University Secretary)

**Others Present:** Matthew Prineas, Jennifer Schaeffer, Kristine Williamson, David Head, Gilbert Perras, Charlene Polege, Pamela Hawranik, Deborah Hurst

**Absent with Regrets:** Tracey Maguire

### Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:03 P.M.

### 1.0 Approval of Agenda and Consent Agenda

**251-01 MOVED** That the Board of Governors approves the open session agenda for Meeting 251, and thereby approves the consent agenda including the open session minutes of meeting 249, held May 21, 2021, as presented.

**Neighbour/Spagnolo**

**Carried**

### 2.0 Conflict of Interest Declaration

Subject to the Code of Conduct and Conflict of Interest Guidelines for the Board of Governors, members were asked to declare any conflict they may have with respect to particular agenda items contained within the meeting agenda.

No conflicts were declared.

### 3.0 Action Items

#### 3.1 Approve Investment Management Agreement

**251-02 MOVED** That the Board of Governors approves the 2021-2022 Investment Management Agreement between Athabasca University and the Ministry of Advanced Education.

**Anderson/Spagnolo**

The Interim President presented this item and reviewed it with the members.

**Carried**

### **3.2 Approve Bachelor of Health Studies program and Closure of Bachelor of Health Administration program**

- 251-03 MOVED** That the Board of Governors approves the Bachelor of Health Studies (BHS) program effective September 1, 2022, pending approval by Alberta Advanced Education,  
And further:  
That the Board of Governors approves the permanent closure of the Bachelor of Health Administration program, pending approval by Alberta Advanced Education.

**Madamombe/Neighbour**

The Provost and Vice President Academic reviewed this item with the members.

**Carried**

### **3.3 Approve Digital Business Transformation specialization in Masters in Business Administration program**

- 251-04 MOVED** That the Board of Governors approves the new Digital Business Transformation specialization in the existing Masters in Business Administration program effective January 1, 2022, or thereafter at the discretion of the Provost and Vice President Academic, pending approval by Alberta Advanced Education.

**Cornester/Hamilton**

The Provost and Vice President Academic reviewed this item with the members.

**Carried**

### **3.4 Approve Strategic Leadership and Change Specialization in Masters in Business Administration program**

- 251-05 MOVED** That the Board of Governors approves the new Strategic Leadership and Change specialization in the existing Masters in Business Administration program effective January 1, 2022, or thereafter at the discretion of the Provost and Vice President Academic, pending approval by Alberta Advanced Education.

**Cornester/Lalli**

The Provost and Vice President Academic reviewed this item with the members.

**Carried**

## **4.0 Business Arising from the Consent Agenda**

## **5.0 Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 P.M.