Call to order: 7:58 a.m.

C. Warner provided a welcome to all at the meeting.

1. Approval of the Agenda

President Timmons requested an additional item 5.8 to be added to the agenda regarding tuition.

Klein – Opseth
Moved approval of the agenda as amended.

CARRIED

2. Governor Conflict of Interest

The Chair asked Board members to declare a conflict of interest should they have one with any of the decision items. M. Smadu and D. Kwochka declared a conflict with any potential discussion related to a specific legal issue. C. Londono declared a conflict with potential discussion related to collective bargaining.

3. Approval of the Minutes

3.1 Board Meeting of 8 December 2018 – circulated with the Agenda

An amendment was requested to Item 3 of the Minutes: The first sentence will be amended as follows: “The Board discussed a potential future Board retreat on Board fiduciary responsibilities, which may include such topics as how the Board acts in the best interest of the University, values, and purposes the University serves, culture of the Board…”

Bosgoed – Smadu
Moved approval of the minutes as amended.

CARRIED
3.2 Special Board Meeting of 18 January 2018 – circulat<ed with the Agenda

Smadu – Tomkins
Moved approval of the minutes as circulated. CARRIED

4. Business Arising

4.1 Non-Academic Pension Plan Amendment 2018-1 – Transfers within the University (Section 9), For Decision (HR), Page 13 of Board Agenda

Opseth-Kwochka
That the Board of Governors approve the Amendment 2018-1 as recommended by the Non-Academic Benefits Committee (NABC) to change the treatment of a Member transferring from a Non-Academic position to a position that results in reclassification as Academic, Administrative or Out of Scope.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

4.2 College Avenue Campus Renewal Update and Extension Request for SIF Program, For Decision (F&F), Page 75 of Board Agenda

Londono-Opseth
That the Board of Governors approve the University’s substantial completion deadline extension application for the College Avenue Campus Renewal Project.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

5. Strategic Item(s)

5.1 Saskatchewan Universities Funding Mechanism (SUFM), For Discussion, Page 79 of Board Agenda

B. Christie was introduced and provided a presentation on the Saskatchewan Universities Funding Mechanism.

Following the presentation there was a brief question and answer session. Discussion included:

• The major drivers of calculated operating grants
• SUFM discipline weights

The Chair thanked B. Christie for the presentation.

The item is appended to the Official File.

(B. Christie and D. Eisler withdrew from the meeting at 8:37 a.m.)
5.2 2018 University Risk Register, *For Decision (A&RM)*, Page 98 of Board Agenda

Bosgoed – Smadu

*That the Board of Governors approve the 2018 University Risk Register.*

G. Bosgoed presented the item for approval and summarized the discussions held at the Committee meeting the day prior.

The Board requested that narrative regarding “quality” be added to the Impact and Likelihood Rating Guide. In addition, the Risk Description for Risk #1 IT Security & Privacy should be expanded to better describe the inability to operate should a significant risk event occur.

Management agreed to adjust the materials to reflect both suggestions.

The question was called on the motion.  

CARRIED

5.3 Annual Internal Audit Plan 2018-2019, *For Decision (A&RM)*, Page 104 of Board Agenda

Bosgoed – Smadu

*That the Board of Governors approve the annual internal audit plan for 2018-2019.*

G. Bosgoed presented the item for approval and summarized the discussions held at the Committee meeting the day prior.

The question was called on the motion.  

CARRIED

5.4 TRIUMF Membership, *For Decision (A&RM)*, Page 119 of Board Agenda

Bosgoed – Klein

*That the Board of Governors approve the University of Regina’s move from Associate Member of TRIUMF to Full Member of TRIUMF. The University will conduct an internal review of its membership status in 2020 and every five years thereafter.*

G. Bosgoed presented the item for approval and summarized the discussions held at the Committee meeting the day prior.

Discussion followed on governance of the organization, decommissioning costs and potential future risks of full membership.

All questions were addressed by management.

The question was called on the motion.  

CARRIED
5.5 Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program, For Decision (F&F), Page 125 of Board Agenda

Londono – McKenzie
That the Board of Governors approve in principle the application for funding for the following three projects through the Federal Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program:

1. Darke Hall Interior Renovations
2. Central Heating Plant – Replacement of Boiler 1
3. Central Heating Plant – Replacement of Roof

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

5.6 Darke Hall – Project Approval, For Decision (F&F), Page 133 of Board Agenda

Londono – Opseth
That the Board of Governors provide Level 2 approval of the $10,000,000 project and authority to complete the design for the renewal of the interior of Darke Hall.

C. Londono presented the item for approval and President Timmons summarized the discussions held at the Committee meeting the day prior.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

5.7 University 10 Year Capital Plan Submission to Advanced Education, For Decision (F&F), Page 138 of Board Agenda

Londono – Bosgoed
That the Board of Governors approve the development projects listed in Table 1 for submission to the Ministry of Advanced Education for incorporation into the SaskBuilds/Province Wide 2018-2019 Integrated Capital Plan.

C. Londono presented the item for approval and President Timmons summarized the discussions held at the Committee meeting the day prior.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

5.8 Tuition, For Discussion

President Timmons raised this item for discussion.

The Board highlighted the importance of the narrative to be included with the 2018-2019 Budget Submission.
6. Administrative Items

6.1 Employment Equity and Diversity Policy, For Decision (HR), Page 141 of Board Agenda

Opseth – Kwochka
That the Board of Governors approve the Employment Equity and Diversity Policy.

A. Opseth presented the item for approval and summarized the discussions held at the Committee meeting the day prior. A question was raised about the composition of Search Advisory Committees. This is within policy EMP-010-030.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

6.2 Tuition Fee Master of Science Organization Studies, For Decision (HR), Page 148 of Board Agenda

Londono – Smadu
That the Board of Governors approve the tuition fee for the Master of Science in Organization Studies program be the same, per credit hour, as the tuition for the Master of Administration in Leadership and the Master of Human Resource Management.

C. Londono presented the item for approval. T. Chase responded to questions.

The question was called on the motion. CARRIED

7. Consensus Items

Tomkins – Klein
Agreed to move items 7.1, 7.2, 7.3, 7.4 as an omnibus motion as follows:

7.1 Academic & Administrative Pension Plan, Amendment 2018-1 (DB Component), For Decision (HR), Page 150 of Board Agenda

That the Board of Governors approve the Amendment 2018-1 as recommended by the Academic and Administrative Benefits Committee (AABC) to remove the ability for defined benefit members to transfer their pension entitlement out of the Plan after June 30, 2018 if they qualify for immediate retirement. Amendment 2018-1 also removes the one year limitation for accepting transfers into the defined contribution component of the plan from another employer effective July 1, 2018.

7.2 Policy Revision – Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy, For Decision (GOV&NOM), Page 265 of Board Agenda

That the Board of Governors approve the revision policy GOV 060-005 Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy.

7.3 T.D. Brown Saskatchewan Student Bursary, For Decision (F&F), Page 276 of Board Agenda

That the Board of Governors approve the transfer of funds in the T.D. Brown Saskatchewan Student Loan Bursary of $102,167.41 to the College Avenue Campus Renewal Project.
7.4 Richard E. R. Laursen Dance Scholarship, *For Decision (F&F)*

*That the Board of Governors approve the transfer of funds in the Richard E. R. Laursen Dance Scholarship of $32,664.31 to the renewal of Darke Hall.*

The question was called on the omnibus motion. **CARRIED**

(The Board had a brief recess at 9:44 a.m. The meeting reconvened at 10:00 a.m.)

8. Reports (For Information)

8.1 Chair, *Verbal Report*

The Chair provided an update on the recent events and activities that were attended since the last Board meeting and including the: State of the University Luncheon, 132 Chamber of Commerce Chair’s Inauguration Dinner, CIS Women’s National Basketball Championships, and Saskatchewan Chamber Political Forum.

The Chair also reported on an upcoming meeting at the MacKenzie Art Gallery.

8.2 Chancellor, *Verbal Report*

The Chancellor provided an update on events and meetings held on and off campus since the last Board Meeting including the attendance at the State of the University Luncheon.

The Chancellor gave an update on the February Senate Meeting.

8.3 President’s Report, *For Information (GOV&NOM), Page 283 of Board Agenda*

President Timmons presented the report for information. The President provided an update on a number of events and activities that she participated in since the last Board meeting.

The President highlighted progress on the objectives in her report.

The President asked D. Malloy to provide a brief update on research activities, including the R.C.M.P. Project.

Discussion followed including progress on Indigenization initiatives. All questions were addressed by management.

8.3.1 Performance Measurement Framework and Dashboard, *For Information (A&RM), Page 297 of Board Agenda*

G. Bosgoed presented the item for information and summarized the discussions held at the Committee meeting the day prior.

Discussion followed. All questions were addressed by management.
8.4 URSU President, Verbal Report

J. McKenzie provided an update on events and activities that were attended since the last Board meeting and reported on the following:

- URSU Elections
- the Open Textbook initiative
- His concerns regarding the cost of university education for students.

J. McKenzie announced his Board term will be completed on April 30, 2018. The Board Chair and members thanked J. McKenzie for his work and service on the Board.

8.5 Committee Chair Highlights, Verbal Report

A. Opseth provided from the Human Resources Committee, including an update on the Health, Safety, and Wellness Report.

C. Londono provided an update on the Finance and Facilities Committee, including status updates on current capital projects. An update was also provided on members of Council who met to discuss the purpose of Universities. A small group of academics attended and engaged in good discussion.

G. Bosgoed provided an update from the Audit and Risk Management Committee, including the Committee’s discussions with the Internal Auditor. G. Bosgoed also noted that the presentation on Student Retention Initiatives was very interesting and helpful and encouraged all Board members to review.

P. Klein provided an update on behalf of the Governance and Nominations Committee and updated the Board on:
  - Draft Board Retreat agenda to be presented at the May Board Meeting
  - Update on Board Appointments
  - Current policy development

9. In Camera Session: 11:05 a.m.

9.1 Approval of the In Camera Board Minutes, 8 December 2017, distributed confidentially

Smadu – Londono
Moved approval of the In Camera Minutes as circulated.

The item is appended to the Official File.

CARRIED

9.2 Approval of the In Camera Special Board Minutes, 18 January 2018, distributed confidentially

Tomkins – Londono
Moved approval of the In Camera Special Minutes as circulated.

The item is appended to the Official File.

CARRIED
9.3 Approval of the In Camera Special Board Minutes, 27 February 2018, distributed confidentially

Kwochka – Bosgoed
Moved approval of the In Camera Special Board Minutes as circulated.

The item is appended to the Official File.

CARRIED

9.4 Strategic Presentation, “Land Transfer Agreements”, For Discussion (GOV&NOM)

(S. Wicijowski, N. Wagner, N. Paskewitz, joined the meeting from 11:10 a.m. to 11:37 a.m. and presented the item for information)

9.5 City Land Transfer Update and Approval in Principle for Conexus Legal Agreements, For Information (F&F)

The item is recorded in the In Camera Minutes and is appended to the Official File.

(D. Eisler joined the meeting at 11:34 a.m.)

(P. Daniels, D. Button, D. Malloy withdrew from the meeting at 11:38 a.m.)

9.6 Government Relations, For Information (GOV&NOM)

The information item is recorded in the In Camera Minutes.

9.7 Collective Bargaining, Verbal Update,

The item is recorded in the In Camera Minutes and is appended to the Official File.

(V. Timmons and G. Sylvestre withdrew from the meeting at 12:07 p.m.)

10. Adjournment – 12:28 p.m. Moved by Kwochka

Glenys Sylvestre
University Secretary

Cathy Warner
Chair