



AFFILIATED WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF WATERLOO

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Special Strategic Plan Meeting

Wednesday, March 6, 2024 | VIRTUAL: Microsoft Teams | 6:00 p.m.

MINUTES - OPEN SESSION – FINAL

The minutes were approved at the April 24, 2024 meeting of the Board of Governors.

PRESENT: Asma Al-Wahsh, Jean Becker, Rachel Carey, Tim Farley, Wendy Fletcher (President), Yaacov Iland (Secretary), Jane Karanassiou, Thomas Littlewood, Tisa Mushani, Edwin Ng, Ashton Romany, Karen Spencer (Chair), Eliana Suarez, Shumiao Wang (Treasurer), Marita Williams, Jeff Wilson

REGRETS: Neha Chugh, Joseph Olubobokun (Vice-Chair), Jodey Porter, Fei Wei

GUESTS: Cort Egan, Melanie McKellar, Tanya Missere Mihas, Kristiina Montero

RECORDER: Lisa Kessig

TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: With gratitude, we acknowledge that Renison University College is located on the traditional territory of the Anishinaabeg, Hodinohsyó:ni, and Attawandaran (Neutral) Peoples, which is situated on the Haldimand Tract, the land granted to the Six Nations that includes ten kilometres on each side of the Grand River from mouth to source. Our active work toward reconciliation takes place in all corners of our campus through research, learning, teaching, community building and outreach. We are guided by the work of our Reconciliation and Re-storying Steering Committee and Anti-Racism and Decolonization SpokesCouncil, as well as the [University of Waterloo's Office of Indigenous Relations](#).

1. WELCOME

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT- Karen Spencer

3. OPENING PRAYER- Karen Spencer

4. CHAIR'S REMARKS- Karen Spencer

President Search update- Members received CV copies for the two finals candidates. The in person candidate visits to Renison at the end of February went well and both had an opportunity to meet briefly with current President Wendy Fletcher. Thank you to Tim Farley and the Food Services team for providing the wonderful catering for the visits.

Strategic Plan- A word of acknowledgement to Wendy Fletcher for her leadership through the Strategic Planning process and ensuring that it was completed. It is beneficial to have this plan in place for the incoming President.

5. DRAFT STRATEGIC PLAN 2024-2027

Wendy Fletcher expressed gratitude to Cort Egan for serving as the leader for the Strategic Planning process. The last Strategic Plan was in place 2019 – 2024 and the new plan will span 2024-2027. With an inclusive planning process, a common Renison vision was confirmed. After surviving the pandemic and working through the current challenging period for the post-secondary sector, the groundwork has been laid within the new Strategic Plan for a more radical operational plan to be developed in support of the vision.

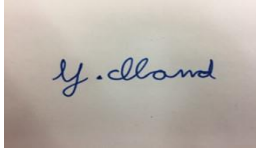
Cort Egan acknowledged the members who served on the Strategic Planning Steering Committee who worked together under the guidance of the Turner Consulting Group. The Strategic Plan project was approached with an equity lens in an intentional way. Many ways to input were provided to staff, faculty, students, and Board members. The plan is a living document and will be housed on the Renison website where narrative updates for progress toward meeting our goals will be provided. An annual update will be provided to the Board.

The plan was reviewed and some suggestions for edits were noted. The Strategic Plan will be updated, uploaded to the website and distributed to the Renison community.

MOVED by Yaacov Iland to accept the Strategic Plan 2024-2027 as amended; **SECONDED by Jeff Wilson.**

CARRIED.

The meeting was adjourned.

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Yaacov Iland
Secretary, Board of Governors