

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS SUMMER 2024

Since the Winter Board Highlights, the NBCC Board of Governors met on June 12th and June 13th.

Highlights are as follows:

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Governors convened to debrief the Board's annual evaluation. The Board evaluates its performance annually as part of a continuous improvement initiative to improve the Board's performance. The evaluation exercise also identifies action items going forward and is an important part of the Board's development, as well as being a governance best practice.

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The Board:

- > Undertook a strategic review of the **2023-2024 Q4 Performance Management Dashboard**.
- Received a Strategic Plan update and year-two priorities presentation from NBCC's four divisions:
 (i) Engagement and Experience; (ii) People and Culture; (iii) Academic, Innovation and Student Affairs; and (iv) Finance and Administration.
- Reviewed draft Guidelines for NBCC's 2020-2025 Five-Year Organizational and Operational Review. As outlined in Section 27 of the <u>New Brunswick Community Colleges Act</u>, NBCC is required to complete an organizational and operational review every five years. The Minister, Post-Secondary Education, Training and Labour (PETL), approves the Guidelines for the Review, however, does not approve the final report. The draft Guidelines were submitted to Minister Turner for approval on June 17th.
- Reviewed and approved a draft Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between NBCC and PETL. Under Section 6 of New Brunswick's <u>Accountability and Continuous Improvement Act</u> responsible Ministers and Crown corporations are required to jointly develop a MoU which is reviewed and renewed every three years. Our Board Chair, Governor Lindsay Bowman, and our President & CEO signed the MoU on behalf of NBCC. The signed MoU was sent to Minister Turn on June 17th.
- Reviewed and approved a Report on Forced Labour and Child Labour in Supply Chains. NBCC is required to submit a report pursuant to a Federal act of legislation (<u>Bill-S211</u>, May 11, 2023). The <u>final report</u> is posted on nbcc.ca.
- Received an update on the Internal Control Framework: Capital Infrastructure and reviewed and approved the 2025-2026 Capital Budget Submission which was submitted to the Minister Turner on June 17th.
- Approved the following updates to governance documentation in its effort to continuously improve policies and practices relating to Board governance: (i) <u>Board of Governors' Terms of Reference</u>; (ii) Board Governance Policy Review Framework; (iii) Board Nominations: Internal Board Governors



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policy; (iv) <u>Election of Board Officers policy</u>; and (v) <u>Board Orientation and Professional Development</u> policy. For more information on NBCC's governance please go to <u>nbcc.ca/governance</u>.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The annual *election for the roles of Chair and Vice-Chair* took place. The Board is pleased to announce that <u>Governor Lindsay Bowman</u> was voted by acclamation as NBCC Board Chair and <u>Governor Wes</u> <u>McLean</u> was voted as NBCC Vice-Chair for the 2024-2025 academic year. The terms for the Chair and Vice-Chair commence on July 1st.

Congratulations to Lindsay and Wes!

If you would like to find out more about our Governors, please go to <u>nbcc.ca</u>.

- The Board reviewed the external auditor's 2023-2024 Audit Results Report and approved the Financial Statements for the year ending March 31, 2024. The Financial Statements were submitted to Minister Turner on June 21st.
- The Board appointed KPMG as NBCC's external auditor. The external auditor is formally appointed annually at the AGM.

Governors were pleased to meet at the NBCC Saint John Gerald S. Merrithew Allied Health Education Centre and enjoyed an informative tour of the building, including meeting staff and students. The Board would like to extend thanks and grateful appreciation to NBCC Saint John staff for their support.

The Board wishes everyone in the NBCC family a relaxing summer and looks forward to reconnecting in the Fall for the 2024-2025 academic year as NBCC continues *Transforming Lives and Communities*.

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The Board will next meet on September 19, 2024 at NBCC St. Andrews

(The Board's meeting schedule is posted on nbcc.ca)

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