

Board Highlights Summer/Fall 2020

The NBCC Board of Governors met by Microsoft Teams on Thursday, July 16, 2020.

The following are highlights of this meeting:

- ➤ The Board received an update from the President on NBCC's COVID-19 response.
- The Board received an update on the recent Employee Engagement Survey.
- ➤ The Board approved the *Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) 2019-2020 Report*. This document provides an update on mitigation activities for reportable risks and sets out an ERM plan for 2020-2021. NBCC's ERM process identifies risks which may negatively impact NBCC's achievement of strategic goals and evaluates them using a step by-step approach. A critical part of NBCC's ERM process is to embed risk management awareness and culture into operational decision making. The Board welcomed Alison MacAusland, NBCC's Manager of Internal Audit & Risk, to the College. Alison joined NBCC on May 19th.
- The Board approved the **2021-2022 Capital Budget Submission**. In order to access annual capital infrastructure funding from the Province, NBCC is required to submit capital projects each year to the Minister (PETL) for inclusion in their annual budget proposal to the Province. This document was submitted to the Minister on July 16th.
- ➤ The Board reviewed the *Spring 2019-2020 Operational Plan Performance Dashboard* and accompanying enrolment forecast indicator reports.

Immediately following the regular meeting, where the above matters were discussed, the Board Chair convened the Annual General Meeting. The following are highlights from the AGM:

- The annual election for the roles of Chair and Vice-Chair took place. The Board is pleased to announce that Governor Lindsay Bowman and Governor Mark Flint were both elected by acclamation for the roles of Chair and Vice-Chair respectively. These roles will commence immediately for a period of one year. Congratulations Lindsay and Mark!
- ➤ The Board approved the **NBCC Audited Financial Statements** for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2020. The Board welcomed Sean Winslow, NBCC's Director of Finance & iResearch, to the College. Both the Audit Committee Chair (on behalf of the Board) and KPMG commended Team Finance staff for their excellent work.
- The Board approved the reappointment of KPMG as external auditors for NBCC (this is year three of a five-year agreement with KPMG).

CHANGES ON THE BOARD:

Governors Donna Bovolaneas and Wayne McDonald completed their terms on July 7th. Donna served on the Audit Committee and Wayne served on the HR Committee – both had the opportunity to chair their respective Committees. On behalf of all of us at NBCC, the Chair would like to thank Wayne and Donna for their hard work and commitment to the College community and wish them well in their future endeavours.

On July 8th we welcomed four new Governors to the Board (i) Kathryn Edwards; (ii) Rick Hancox; (iii) Catherine Lawrence; and (iv) Mike Walsh. If you would like to learn more about our Governors and the governance of our College, please go to nbcc.ca/governance.



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The Board convened on August 25th and August 26th for the first Committee meetings of the new academic year. The next full Board meeting is scheduled for September 17th – this will be a physically distanced in-person meeting which will strictly adhere to Public Health guidelines.

In closing, the Board would like to take this opportunity to thank the NBCC community for their outstanding contributions, particularly at this uncertain and worrying time during the COVID-19 pandemic. Staff have provided unswerving support to our students and every day continue to support NBCC's vision of *Transforming Lives and Communities*. The Board hopes that everyone was able to take some well-deserved vacation with family and loved ones over the summer and are returning in the Fall with recharged batteries for another busy and rewarding year at NBCC.

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