

**MINUTES OF THE OPEN SESSION MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

Held on Wednesday, October 24, 2018, at 4 p.m.
in Room GM 410 (Board of Governors Meeting Room)
located on the 4th floor of the Guy-Metro Building,
1550 de Maisonneuve Blvd. West
on the SGW Campus

PRESENT

Governors: Norman Hébert jr., *Chair*, Françoise Bertrand, *Vice-Chair*, Jeff Bicher, Patrice Blais, Antoinette Bozac (*via telephone*), Gabriel Bran Lopez (*via telephone*), Ken Brooks, William Bukowski, Jarrett Carty, Gina P. Cody, Daniel Cross, Sophie Hough-Martin, Chaim Kuhnreich, Tony Loffreda, Claudine Mangan, Frédérica Martin, *Vice-Chair*, Michael Novak, Georges Paulez, Alan Shepard, *President and Vice-Chancellor*, Ted Stathopoulos

Alternate Governor: Eunbyul Park

Also attending: Philippe Beauregard, Sylvie Bourassa, William Cheaib, Denis Cossette (*via telephone*), Roger Côté, Marcel Dupuis, Christophe Guy, Frederica Jacobs, Lisa Ostiguy

ABSENT

Governors: Helen Antoniou, Adriana Embiricos, Rana Ghorayeb, Philippe Purreaux, Suzanne Sauvage

Non-voting Observer: Jonathan Wener, *Chancellor*

1. **Call to Order**

Mr. Hébert called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m., welcoming new Board members Sophie Hough-Martin and Eunbyul Park.

1.1 **Adoption of the Agenda**

Upon motion duly moved and seconded, it was unanimously RESOLVED:

R-2018-6-4 *That the Agenda be approved, including the items on the Consent Agenda.*

CONSENT

2. Adoption of September 17, 2018 Minutes

R-2018-6-5 *That the Minutes of the meeting of the Open Session of September 17, 2018 be approved.*

3. Revisions to the membership of the Council of the Gina Cody School of Engineering and Computer Science (Document BG-2018-6-D2)

R-2018-6-6 *That, on recommendation of the Council of the Gina Cody School of Engineering and Computer Science and Senate, the Board of Governors approve the membership of the Council of the Gina Cody School of Engineering and Computer Science, as outlined in Document BG-2018-6-D2.*

4. Audit Committee recommendation: Système d'information financière des universités (Document BG-2018-6-D3)

R-2018-6-7 *That, on recommendation of the Audit Committee, the Board of Governors approve the Système d'information financière des universités (SIFU) for the year ended April 30, 2018.*

5. Finance Committee recommendation: Cross currency SWAP (Document BG-2018-6-D4)

R-2018-6-8 *ATTENDU QUE l'Université Concordia (l'Université), souhaite effectuer des emprunts à court terme en monnaie légale des États-Unis;*

ATTENDU QUE l'Université souhaite, dans le cadre de ces emprunts, conclure des conventions d'échange de devises ou des conventions d'échange de taux d'intérêt et de devises;

ATTENDU QUE, conformément aux articles 77.1 et 80 de la Loi sur l'administration financière (chapitre A-6.001), l'Université doit obtenir l'autorisation de la ministre responsable de l'Enseignement supérieur et du ministre des Finances pour conclure les emprunts à court terme et les conventions d'échanges visés à la présente résolution;

IL EST RÉSOLU:

1. *D'autoriser l'Université à emprunter à court terme en monnaie légale des États-Unis, sur obtention de l'autorisation de la ministre responsable de l'Enseignement supérieur et du ministre des Finances, conformément aux modalités établies à ces autorisations;*
2. *D'autoriser l'Université à conclure, dans le cadre de ces emprunts, des conventions d'échange de devises ou des conventions d'échange de taux d'intérêt et de devises, sur obtention de l'autorisation de la ministre responsable de l'Enseignement supérieur et du ministre des Finances, conformément aux modalités établies à ces autorisations;*
3. *D'autoriser le recteur et vice-chancelier, le chef de la direction financière, tout vice-recteur, le secrétaire général, le vice-recteur associé aux finances et contrôleur, le*

trésorier et agent principal de placements, deux signatures étant requises, à signer pour et au nom de l'Université, les documents requis pour la réalisation des emprunts à court terme et la conclusion conventions d'échange de devises ou des conventions d'échange de taux d'intérêt et de devises.

REGULAR

6. Business arising from the Minutes not included on the Agenda

There was no business arising from the Minutes not included on the Agenda.

7. President's report (Document BG-2018-6-D5)

As complimentary information to his written report, Prof. Shepard apprised Governors of the names of the individuals who will receive honorary degrees at the November 19 convocation ceremonies. He noted that the Open House, held on October 20, was very successful, welcoming more than 6,000 visitors on both campuses, and thanked the students, faculty and staff who volunteered their time to help the event run smoothly.

He also announced that the University kicked off the Centraide campaign on October 22, co-chaired by Philippe Beauregard and Nadia Bhuiyan, Vice-Provost, Partnerships and Experiential Learning.

8. Annual report from the Ombuds Office (Document BG-2018-6-D6)

Ombudsperson Amy Fish presented the highlights of the annual report, including some key statistics. To illustrate the type of concerns and issues the Ombuds Office deals with on a regular basis, Ms. Fish provided two examples, the first involving a graduate student, the second involving a faculty member.

She was pleased to inform the Board that she had encountered no major problems throughout the year and underlined the University's commitment to openness and fairness.

Following her presentation, Ms. Fish responded to questions.

9. Annual report from the Office of Rights and Responsibilities (Document BG-2018-6-D7)

Director and Senior Advisor Lisa White summarized the mandate of the Office of Rights and Responsibilities (ORR) and presented the highlights of the annual report, including some key statistics.

To illustrate the type of situations that ORR deals with on a regular basis, Ms. White shared three narratives, the first involving a student and a professor, the second involving two employees, and the third regarding a student of concern.

Following her presentation, Ms. White responded to questions.

10. Other business

There was no other business to bring before the Open Session meeting.

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:36 p.m.



Danielle Tessier
Secretary of the Board of Governors