

MINUTES
BOARD OF GOVERNORS

NIAGARA COLLEGE OF APPLIED ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY

APRIL 22, 2010

WELLAND CAMPUS – BOARD ROOM

Present:	L. Crispino, Chair T. Clutterbuck D. McCann D. Patterson	C. Ashby B. Davies D. Moody B. Rose	L. Baraniuk G. Hunchak M. Nantel D. Sevenpifer
Staff:	S. Hudson K. Rose	C. Kissmann	T. Quinlin
Absent:	G. Burroughs D. Matovic	T. Harris A. Schmidt	S. Kennedy L. Simpson
Guests:	Marti Jurmain – Director, Research and Innovation Natalee Tokar – Research Project Manager, Research and Innovation Vince Malvaso – Director, Financial Services Bill Crumm – Manager, Financial Services		

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

BG-19
-2010

Moved by:	M. Nantel
Seconded by:	D. McCann

THAT the April 22, 2010 Board of Governors agenda be approved.

Motion Carried

Chair Crispino introduced guests Marti Jurmain, Natalee Tokar, Vince Malvaso and Bill Crumm.

2. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None declared.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

BG-20
-2010

Moved by:	C. Ashby
Seconded by:	B. Rose

THAT the Board of Governors approve the Minutes of the Board of Governors meeting held February 18, 2010.

Motion Carried

4. 2011 NEW PROGRAMS

- S. Hudson presented information on new programs for
- Art Design Fundamentals – 1 year certificate
 - Culinary Innovation and Food Technology, nothing equivalent in the province
 - Game Development
 - Retail Pharmacy Assistant
 - Renewable Energies Technician

Game Developer – discrepancy noted; delivery cost should read \$392,185

Game design is focused more on the creative side, allowing grads from the art Fundamentals program to ladder into this. This program will also allow more partnerships with Brock University.

BG-21
-2010 Moved by: B. Davies
 Seconded by: T. Clutterbuck

THAT the Board of Governors approve the five new programs for September 2011 start, as attached with revision as noted to the Game Developer program.

Motion Carried

5. 2010 -11 TUITION FEES

D. Sevenpifer expressed concern over the 4.5% increase. This increase is allowable within the provincial policy for tuition (on tuition only). Tuition fees are general at the maximum allowable across all Ontario colleges, resulting in no adverse affect on recruitment. Scholarships and bursaries will increase correspondingly.

BG-22
-2010 Moved by: D. McCann
 Seconded by: D. Sevenpifer

THAT the Board of Governors approve the proposed Tuition Fees for the 2010-11 academic year, as attached.

Motion Carried

6. 2010 – 11 MATERIAL FEES

Material fees are charged for items that students will utilize in a program that they keep following course completion.
Digital SLR Camera – leasing similar to the laptop lease is not feasible. As a material fee, it is OSAP eligible. Corporate sponsorship for the cameras is not feasible given the low enrolment numbers.
Some of the increases in dental programs are a result of eliminating the use of a text book and moving to using a course manual.

BG-23
-2010 Moved by: L. Baraniuk
 Seconded by: M. Nantel

THAT the Board of Governors approve the changes to the Material Fees for the 2010-11 academic year, as attached.

Motion Carried

7. REPORT OF THE NEW MEMBER SEARCH COMMITTEE

D. Moody reported that on March 24, 2010 the College Compensation and Appointments Council approved Richard Taylor's appointment to the Board effective September 1, 2010 as well as Len Crispino's reappointment.

8. REPORT OF THE PRIORITIES AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

D. McCann and C. Kissmann presented an overview of the changes proposed

BG-24
-2010 Moved by: C. Ashby
 Seconded by: T. Clutterbuck

THAT the Board of Governors receive the Priorities and Planning Committee meeting minutes of April 8, 2010.

Motion Carried

BG-25
-2010 Moved by: D. Moody
 Seconded by: M. Nantel

THAT the Board of Governors approve the revision to the following Board policies with revisions as noted above:

- **Policy I-C, Program Quality for Programs of Instruction**
- **Policy IV-C, Programs of Instruction**
- **Policy IV-D, Financial Matters**

Motion Carried

BG-26
-2010

Moved by: B. Rose
Seconded by: D. Sevenpifer

THAT the Board of Governors approve the proposed 2010-2011 Board meeting dates.

Motion Carried

9. 2010-11 BUSINESS PLAN / BUDGET / COLLEGE GOALS

T. Quinlin presented the 2010-2011 Business Plan/Budget/College Goals

- Master Plan completion is on schedule
- Employee climate survey will occur again January 2011
- Provincial funding to colleges decreased (from 30% to 20%) due to lag
- 28% of expenditures are non-salary expenses – the only area that is susceptible for cutting back
- Presently no allocation for potential cost of part time unionization
- 2010-11 budget is balanced due to the timing of the year end top up. A note of clarification will be added.
- L. Cripsino reported that the college goals were reviewed by the Presidential Evaluation Committee
- C. Kissmann reported briefly on the 2010-11 College goals, highlighting a few new items such as the successful establishment of the Niagara College Learning Enterprise Corporation and an advocacy goal.
- Revise the goal on capital completion
- As discussed at Presidential Evaluation Committee, goals may be amended mid-year as required
- T. Quinlin and Chair Crispino commended the staff for all their efforts on developing the 2010-11 budget

BG-27
-2010

Moved by: D. Sevenpifer
Seconded by: B. Rose

THAT the Board of Governors approve the 2010-11 Business Plan and Budget, including the 2010-11 College Goals, as attached.

Motion Carried

10. NIAGARA RESEARCH REPORT

S. Hudson introduced Marti Jurmain and Natalee Tokar from Niagara Research

M. Jurmain presented an update on activities of Niagara Research and its work with small and medium sized enterprises.

- Numerous students and volunteers are engaged with research activities
- Areas of specialization is ever evolving including photonics, environment, viticulture, horticulture, greenhouse, land use etc very connected with industry needs
- Research is involved in student recruitment, retention and success
- No base funding exists for research in colleges, but through innovative partnerships and successful proposal writing, we are able to move Niagara Research forward
- Chair Crispino asked what the Board can do to help Niagara Research. Board members represent various sectors and letters of support are very helpful for inclusion in grant proposals.
- Advocacy within various sectors and companies is another area where Board members can participate

11 FINANCIAL RESULTS AT FEBRUARY 28, 2010

T. Quinlin presented the financial report as at February 28, 2010.

BG-28
-2010

Moved by: D. Sevenpifer
Seconded by: G. Hunchak

THAT the Board of Governors receive the Statement of Financial Results at February 28, 2010.

Motion Carried

12 REPORT OF THE CHAIR

Chair Crispino invited Marc Nantel to report on his work with CONII. He explained the concept of Network for Industry and Innovation (NIE). Chair Crispino commended President Patterson and the College team on another successful year with respect to the number one ranking in student satisfaction. He also mentioned the ACCC Conference and invited Board members to attend. This June Niagara College will be holding eight convocation ceremonies. Information on the convocation schedule will be forwarded to Board members.

13 REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

President Patterson reported on the extraordinary times for student activities and accomplishments. (eg. competitions, forums, art gallery displays, fundraising activities etc)
President Patterson reported that SAC has voted in Brian Costantini as President.
President Patterson thanks everyone for supporting the Seafood Gala.

14 OTHER BUSINESS

Procurement Cards

BG-29
-2010

Moved by: M. Nantel
Seconded by: B. Davies

THAT the Board of Governors authorize the college to seek Ontario Financing Authority Section 28 approval for the credit facility in the amount of \$1 million as part of the procurement card program.

Motion Carried

T. Clutterbuck reported that Welland Hydro have hired numerous Niagara College graduates. Tom Wolga developed an innovative GIS devise

15 IN-CAMERA SESSION

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-2010

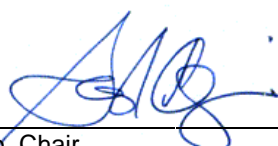
Moved by: D. McCann
Seconded by: L. Baraniuk

THAT the Board of Governors move into an In-Camera Session.

Motion Carried



D. Patterson, President and Secretary
Niagara College Board of Governors



L. Crispino, Chair
Niagara College Board of Governors