Cape Breton University Board of Governors Special Public Meeting

Monday, January 14, 2013 Following Prologue CE-339

1. Roll Call

Present:

Dr. John Harker (President), Dr. Robert Bailey (Secretary), Dr. Diane Janes, Mr. Chester Pyne, Ms. Wendy Wadden, Dr. Mary Keating, Ms. Michelle Lahey, Mr. Stewart McCann, Ms. Alana Lawrence, Ms. Mary Suzanne MacEachern, Ms. Connie Boone, Ms. Norma Boyd, Dr. Eddie Davis, Mr. Kenneth Crawford, Mr. Rany Ibrahim, Ms. Daphne Hutt-MacLeod, Mr. Steve Wadden, Ms. Anita Delazzer, Dr. Hayes MacNeil (Chair), Mr. John Malcom, Mr. John Paul, Ms. Carol Ripley, Mr. Roland Thornhill, Mr. Ambrose White, Mr. Gordon MacInnis (Treasurer), Mr. Merrill Buchanan, Ms. Marlene Usher

Regrets:

Dr. Rex Dunn (Vice-Chair), Mr. Brian LeBlanc, Mr. Kirk Purdy

Absent:

Mr. Leo MacIntosh, Ms. Tony Mozvik, Mr. Patrick Lahey

The Chair declared quorum and called the meeting to order.

2. Report of the Presidential Search Committee

Chair of the President Search Committee, Mr. Roland Thornhill offered that after President Harker announcement his retirement, a Search Committee was appointed in accordance with the CBU bylaws. An overview of the committee members, their mandate and the complete efforts of the committee was given. Upon conclusion of the report, Mr. Thornhill, on behalf of the committee, put forth Dr. David Wheeler as their successful candidate. A detailed overview of Dr. Wheeler's extensive professional background was presented along with the committee's recommendation that Dr. David Wheeler be appointed as the sixth President and Vice-Chancellor of Cape Breton University.

It was moved by Dr. Robert Bailey, seconded by Ms. Michelle Lahey, that the Board of Governors of Cape Breton University accept the recommendations of the Presidential Search Committee and nominate Dr. David Wheeler as the next President and Vice-Chancellor of Cape Breton University. Unanimous vote of the Board - Motion Carried.

Mr. Thornhill presented to the Chair and members of the Board, Dr. David Wheeler, as the next President and Vice-Chancellor of Cape Breton University. Dr. Wheeler thanked the members of the Committee, Chair, Dr. MacNeil and members of the Board for their support of the decision made by the Search Committee and indicated his commitment to CBU. Dr. Wheeler advised how excited he is by the opportunity before him and that he hopes to build on President Harker's legacy. Dr. Wheeler gave thanks to Lois Devoe and Irene Khattar for their tireless efforts during the selection process and that he looks forward to meeting and working with all the Board members.

An installation date of April 22nd has been set and Dr. Wheeler hopes to be on campus in the near future but certainly during April he plans to be a more visible part of CBU. Further to being more visible on campus, Dr. Wheeler also indicated a desire to make a strong contribution to the broader Cape Breton community.

3. Motion to Adjourn

It was moved by Mr. Buchanan to adjourn at 10:58 am. Motion carried.

Dr. Robert Bailey, Secretary to the Board