PARTICIPANTS:

Voting Members:
Kate Chisholm          Appointed Chair, General Public
Guy Bridgeman          Appointed Vice-Chair, General Public
Chris Ashdown          Appointed Member, Alumni
Zarina Bhambhani       Appointed Member, Additional Member
Heather Bruce          Appointed Member, Academic Staff Representative (AASUA Appointee)
Charlene Butler        Appointed Member, General Public
Alexander Dorscheid    Appointed Member, Undergraduate Board of Governors Representative
Daniel Eggert          Appointed Member, General Public
Anas Fassih            Appointed Member, President, Graduate Students’ Association
Bill Flanagan          Appointed Member, President and Vice-Chancellor, University of Alberta
Peggy Garrity          Appointed Member, Chancellor
Mona Hale              Appointed Member, General Public
Janice MacKinnon       Appointed Member, General Public
Abner Monteiro         Appointed Member, President (Students’ Union)
Sett Policicchio       Appointed Member, General Public
Thomas (Tom) Ross      Appointed Member, General Public
Margot Ross-Graham     Appointed Member, University of Alberta Senate Representative
Rakesh Saraf           Appointed Member, General Public
Andrei Tabirca         Appointed Member, Non-Academic Staff Representative (NASA Appointee)
Dilini Vethanayagam    Appointed Member, Academic Staff Representative (GFC Appointee)
Paul Whittaker         Appointed Member, General Public
Kate Young             Appointed Member, Alumni
Lillian Zenari         Appointed Member, Additional Member
DECISION ITEMS

Report of the Human Resources and Compensation and Learning, Research and Student Experience Committees

Presenter(s): Guy Bridgeman; Janice MacKinnon

1. Revisions to Sexual Violence Policy and new Student Conduct Policy (to replace non-academic portions of the Code of Student Behaviour)

Materials before members are contained in the official meeting file.

Presenters: Verna Yiu

Purpose of the Proposal: To approve: amendments to the Sexual Violence Policy, the Student Conduct Policy and associated procedures, and the rescission of associated portions of the Code of Student Behaviour. These proposals are brought forward in order to comply with the February 2022 communication from the Minister of Advanced Education.

Discussion:
At its meeting on October 14, 2022, the Board of Governors tabled a motion to revise the Sexual Violence policy, approve the Student Conduct Policy and associate procedures, and rescind and amend the Code of Student Behaviour, until such time that questions raised by members regarding the intentions of the Sexual Violence Policy could be resolved and further consultation with the student leaders could take place. At that time, the Board Chair acknowledged that the Board would likely need to consider the revised item by electronic vote due to a Ministerial deadline of November 30, 2022.

Following consultation, a revised Sexual Violence Policy returned to General Faculties Council (GFC) on November 14, 2022, where GFC reviewed and recommended the revised policy for Board approval.

An electronic vote of the Board of Governors was conducted from November 18 to 22, 2022.

Motion:

Whereas additional revisions to the Sexual Violence Policy (“Sexual and Gender-Based Violence Policy”) were made following the original recommendations by the Board Human Resources and Compensation Committee, Board Learning, Research and Student Experience Committee, and General Faculties Council;

and

Whereas the additional revisions were recommended by General Faculties Council at its meeting on November 14, 2022:

THAT the Board of Governors, on the recommendation of the Board Human Resources and Compensation Committee, Board Learning, Research and Student Experience Committee, and General Faculties Council, approve:

- the revised Sexual Violence Policy (“Sexual and Gender-Based Violence Policy”), as set forth in Attachment 2; and

on the recommendation of the Board Learning, Research and Student Experience Committee, and General Faculties Council, approve:

- the Student Conduct Policy and associated Procedures, as set forth in Attachments 4 through 7; and

the rescission and amendment of sections of the Code of Student Behaviour identified in Attachment 8.

CARRIED