

Board of Governors Representation

The composition of the Board of Governors (BoG) is legislated in the Post Secondary Learning Act and is intended to reflect a balanced range of perspectives to inform discussions and decision making. Undergraduate universities such as Mount Royal University must have one (1) Non-Academic staff member appointed to the Board.

The appointee cannot be a voting member of the executive body or an officer of an academic or non-academic staff association, or have responsibility for negotiating with the BoG on behalf of the academic or non-academic staff association.

The Mandate of the BoG:

The BoG mandate is to provide oversight and guidance to the University to ensure it has the right strategies, talent and processes aligned with its Vision and Mission to create sustainable value to all stakeholders. The BoG monitors MRU's performance to ensure the necessary steps are being taken by the University to achieve the goals outlined in its Strategic Plan.

Expectations of Members:

[Board of Governors Bylaws](#) 5.4 Expectations of Members

Board Members have a fiduciary obligation to act honestly, in good faith and in the best interests of the University. In doing so, all Board Members are expected to bring the perspectives of their stakeholder groups to the table and make decisions in the best interest of the University, considering all affected stakeholders. The expectations of Members include:

- a) familiarizing themselves with, and adhering to, the Board's role in governing the University, these Bylaws, University policies applicable to Members including Codes of Conduct, Charters of any Committees on which the Member serves, the Act, the APAGA and other applicable legislation;
- b) supporting the Board in fulfilling its obligations and responsibilities;
- c) preparing for, attending and participating in Board and Committee meetings;
- d) engaging in respectful, meaningful discussion, providing considered, constructive and thoughtful feedback/commentary, expressing opinions, asking questions, and abiding by the will of the majority of the Board;
- e) maintaining confidentiality over Board matters, discussions and materials in accordance with these Bylaws, relevant legislation and Codes of Conduct;

- f) identifying and exercising good judgment regarding real, perceived or potential conflicts of interest;
- g) participating in University activities, as required; and
- h) fulfilling their obligation to destroy all notes, documents, and hard copies of Mount Royal Board-related materials once they are no longer a Member of the Board.

Additionally, Board members follow the [Board's Code of Conduct](#) -members of the University's Board of Governors ("Board") are expected to behave in a way that aligns with this Code.

Time Commitment:

- 1/2 day orientation-in person
- 4 Board of Governors meetings (October, December, March, May) - in person with lunch from 12-1 pm then meeting follows from 1-4 pm
- 1 Board Budget Briefing session (March) - 1 hour virtually
- 1 Board of Governors Strategy Session (September- 2 days away)
- Campus Development Committee meetings (monthly in 2023-2024- overseeing the G-Wing development) 1-1.5 hours virtually
- Finance Committee meetings (October, December, March, May) 1.5 hours hybrid (before the Board meetings)
- Preparation for Board meetings and strategy session
- Other activities as required and schedule permitting. This may include attendance at university events and meetings on or off campus.

Term Length:

The term of office is outlined in the *Post-secondary Learning Act* 56(1). A person appointed to the Board holds office for a term not exceeding 3 years and can be appointed for a second or subsequent term if the reappointment would not result in the member serving for a total of more than 6 years.

Remuneration:

Board members are not remunerated for their service. The University, in accordance with University policies, will reimburse expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.