



BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

AGENDA

Date:	June 6, 2025
Time:	9:30am - 3:00pm (ET)
Location:	<p>In Person: Orillia Campus: Room OA 2014 (will be connected to UC 2001 and Zoom) Thunder Bay Campus: Governance Conference Room (UC 2001) Board Members attending in person are asked to bring a device and connect to the Zoom meeting to improve the experience for those participating virtually.</p> <p>Join Zoom Meeting: https://lakeheadu.zoom.us/j/96792388308 967 9238 8308</p>

Board of Governors Members: Rajni Agarwal; Robert Arnone; Dr. Claudine Cousins; David Elliott; Thomas Kehoe; Sunil Kumar; Robert Lamb; Jason Lisi - Secretary (non voting); Pauline Mickelson; Michael Nitz; Dr. Leigh Potvin; Dr. Gillian Siddall; Anna Sampson; Dr. Bryanna Scott-Kay; Mark Smith (Vice-Chair); Brent Sylvester; Simran Talpade; Cathy Tuckwell (Chair); Maria Vasanelli

Administrative Resources: Marcie Morrison - Recording Secretary; President’s Executive Team Members

Invited Guest: Dr. Gary Pluim - Assistant Professor, Faculty of Education (Lakehead University)

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Item	Presenter(s)	Time*
*Timing is approximate and may be changed by the Board		
Traditional Land Acknowledgement		
1. Approval of Agenda MOVED that the agenda be approved.	Cathy Tuckwell	9:30am
2. a. Need for In Camera Items to be Declared Members are reminded that items arising that need in camera attention should be declared at the point of discovery.	Cathy Tuckwell	

	<p>b. Declaration of Conflict of Interest</p> <p>Members are reminded of their duty to declare a conflict of interest should awareness of conflict arise at any time during the meeting.</p> <p>c. Code of Conduct at Meetings</p> <p>Members are reminded of the Board approved Code of Conduct in place to promote a positive environment.</p>		
3.	<p>Minutes of Previous Meeting</p> <p>MOVED that the minutes of the April 24, 2025 meeting be approved.</p>	Cathy Tuckwell	
4.	<p>Consent Agenda</p> <p><i>For Information: The Board Bylaws provide that items for approval under the Consent Agenda may include non-controversial items and routine items that are regularly discussed including without limitation Board Standing Committee reports, reports from other committees with Governor representatives, approvals of Adjunct Professors, and appointment of academic chairs. Any Governor may require that an item be removed from the Consent Agenda portion of the meeting and placed as a separate item on the agenda to allow discussion or debate on the item.</i></p> <p>MOVED that the Consent Agenda be approved.</p>	Cathy Tuckwell	5min 9:35am
4-C1.	Executive Committee Report (of the May 15, 2025 meeting)		
4-C2.	<p>Audit and Risk Committee Report (of the May 15, 2025 meeting)</p> <p>1. Lakehead University Pension Investment Fund</p> <p>a. Review of the 2024 Pension Fund Financial Statements</p> <p>b. Pension Investment Fund Annual Report</p> <p>c. Annual Report from Auditor</p> <p>d. Pension Investment Fund Audited Financial Statements</p> <p>e. MOVED that the Board of Governors approve the Lakehead University Pension Investment Fund financial statements.</p>		
4-C3.	External Relations Committee Report (of the May 14, 2025 meeting)		
4-C4.	Finance and Operations Committee Report (of the May 15, 2025 meeting)		

4-C5.

[Governance and Nominating Committee Report \(of the May 14, 2025 meeting\)](#)

1. Notice of Board Member Resignation - For Information

Yolanda Wanakamik, Lakehead Alumni Association Member, resigned from the Board effective May 14, 2025.

2. [2025 Board Appointment Process Summary](#)

3. External Member Recommendation

- a. WHEREAS Rachael Paquette's term would have ended on October 2, 2025; and

WHEREAS the BGNC added [Rose Zacharias](#) to the Board Evergreen List on August 14, 2024, following a successful interview by the Board Interview Subcommittee;

MOVED that in alignment with the Board Bylaws, Article 3.7b, the Board of Governors elect Rose Zacharias as an External Member, commencing immediately to October 2, 2025, for the remainder of Rachael Paquette's term, and for a 3 year term, commencing at the close of the October 2, 2025 Board Annual Meeting to the close of the Board Annual Meeting in 2028.

4. Staff Member Recommendation - attachment forthcoming

- a. MOVED that the Board of Governors appoint [Tim Lade](#) to serve as the Staff Member on the Board for a 3-year term, commencing at the close of the October 2, 2025 Annual Meeting, to the close of the 2026 Annual Meeting.

5. Recommendation to the Ogimaawin Indigenous Education Council

- a. MOVED that the Board of Governors approve the appointment of Michael Nitz to the OIEC for a 1-year term, commencing July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026.

6. Standing Committee Chair Recommendations

- a. MOVED that the Board of Governors approve the following Standing Committee Chair appointments, and that the term for each be 1-year,

		<p>commencing at the close of the 2025 Annual Meeting, through to the close of the 2026 Annual Meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● BARC - Sunil Kumar ● BERC - Robert Lamb ● BFOC - Robert Arnone ● BGNC - Mark Smith ● BLLC - Claudine Cousins <p>7. Standing Committee Assignment Recommendations</p> <p>a. MOVED that the Board of Governors approve the proposed Standing Committee assignments for the 2025-2026 term.</p>		
	4-C6.	Learning and Liaison Committee Report (of the May 14, 2025 meeting)		
	4-C7.	President's Report on Appointments		
	4-C8.	Chair's Report		
	4-C9.	President's Report		
	4-C10.	<p>Other Informational Items</p> <p>a. Ogimaawin Indigenous Education Council Report (of the April 1, 2025 meeting)</p> <p>b. Senate Reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. April 22, 2025 Meeting ii. March 24, 2025 Meeting <p>c. Strategic Plan Year 7 Report 2</p>		
5.	Items for Discussion from Committee Reports			
	5.1	<p>Finance and Operations Committee</p> <p>1. 2025-2026 Proposed Lakehead University Operating Budget</p> <p><i>For information - The 2025-26 operating budget was endorsed by the Senate on May 12, 2025.</i></p> <p>a. Presentation (same presentation that went to the May 15, 2025 BFOC meeting)</p>	Robert Arnone, Kathy Pozihun, Dr. David Richards, Dr. Heather Murchison, Emma Westover	60min 9:40am

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> b. 2025-2026 Proposed Operating Budget (the same attachment that went to the May 15, 2025 BFOC meeting) c. MOVED that the Board of Governors approve the 2025-2026 Lakehead University operating budget. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion • Determine Action: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Further discussion and/or work is required; or ○ Approve the motion presented 		
6.	In Camera Session and Lunch Break	<p>MOVED to adjourn to an in camera session to discuss items of a personnel, legal or real estate nature, or any other item of sensitive or confidential nature, and that only members of and others approved by the Board may be present.</p>	Cathy Tuckwell	3hr 50min 10:40am
6.1	Business Arising from the In Camera Meeting		Jason Lisi	2:30pm
7.	Spotlight Presentation - "How curriculums for youth move among small countries of the Commonwealth"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation • Q&A 	Dr. Gary Pluim	30min 2:30pm
8.	Other Business		Cathy Tuckwell	
Adjournment				3:00pm
Next Meeting: October 2, 2025, 9:30am - 1:30pm (ET)				