

# Board Meeting Highlights

The April 30, 2020, Board of Governors' meeting was held via Webex.

## The board received a number of reports, including:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Program Advisory Committee Reports</li><li>• Strategic Mandate Agreement</li><li>• Appointment of Committee Chairs</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Election of Officers</li><li>• In the Spotlight – Governor Hussam Beg – shared on <i>Staff News</i></li></ul> |
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### Program Advisory Committee Reports

In accordance with the Board of Governors By-Laws and the “Framework for Programs of Instruction,” the Board of Governors shall ensure that advisory committees for programs of instruction are appointed. The Office of the Vice President, Academic, prepares a report for every board meeting outlining new college Program Advisory Committee appointments. For April 2020, six individuals were appointed for the **Welding Techniques programs**. This includes employers as well as graduates from across our catchment area.

### Strategic Mandate Agreement

In April 2019, the provincial government announced it would implement an improved Strategic Mandate Agreement process (SMA3) covering the period 2020-25 that would include performance-based funding. The new SMA will reduce the number of performance-related metrics from 38 to 10 and see a greater portion of funding tied to these metrics over the next five years. The college has been engaged in a series of bilateral discussions with the Ministry of Colleges and Universities (MCU) to negotiate its SMA3 since last fall. During this time, Georgian has also joined Lakehead in discussions with the ministry related to funding specifically for Lakehead-Georgian students, which is related to SMA funding however falls outside the current SMA3 process. Finalization of SMA3 agreements has recently been deferred as a result of the current COVID-19 pandemic.

### Recent activities include:

- April 8, 2020 – Ministry notifies that finalization of SMA3s is on hold until further notice
- March 11 – 19, 2020 – Georgian conducts additional discussions with the ministry on the finalization of its SMA3 agreement
- Feb. 7, 2020 – Georgian conducts its second bilateral discussion with MCU staff
- Dec. 17, 2019 – Georgian submits its first SMA3 draft to MCU
- Nov. 21, 2019 – Georgian conducts its first bilateral discussion with MCU staff
- Sept. 2019 – Georgian establishes SMA3 working group

Georgian will continue to conduct scenario analysis on SMA3 metrics based on the latest enrolment and system information available to ensure the college is prepared to re-enter into negotiations with the ministry when the process to finalize agreements resumes.

### Election of Officers

The board of governors held an election to determine the Board Chair and Vice-Chairs for the period commencing Sept. 1, 2020 to Aug. 31, 2021. The following board members were elected to the positions noted:

**Paul Larche – Chair, Marilynn Booth – Vice Chair and Lyn McLeod – Vice Chair**