

HIGHER EDUCATION QUALITY COUNCIL OF ONTARIO

MINUTES

BOARD MEETING BY TELECONFERENCE

**August 17, 2017
10 am – 10:30 am**

Council members present:

Mayer, Denis, Acting Chair
Hill, Michael

President and Secretary to the Board:

Weingarten, Harvey P.

Staff supporting the Council:

Macri, Diana, Chief Administrative Officer
Permato, Ellen, Executive Assistant and Recording Secretary
Ross, Matt, Manager of Communications

1. Call to order

Denis Mayer, Acting Chair, called the meeting to order at 10 am and established that a quorum of Council members was present.

The Acting Chair announced that this was Michael Hill's last meeting. His term will expire on October 21, 2017. On behalf of the Board and staff, he expressed his appreciation to Mr. Hill for his contribution to the Board especially on issues of Indigenous and northern education. He also noted his leadership of the Board's Audit Committee.

2. Approval of meeting agenda

Approved unanimously.

3. Minutes of the meeting of June 15, 2017

Motion:

1. That the Board approve the minutes of Board meeting of June 15, 2017

Moved by Denis Mayer; seconded by Michael Hill
Approved unanimously.
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4.1 President's update

Harvey Weingarten thanked Michael Hill for his friendship, mentorship and guidance.

He reported that he will go to Thunder Bay in September to meet with Lakehead University's President to learn about sectors of the community working together on initiatives that concern low-income families, Indigenous, and Francophone students (similar to Hamilton).

Some large research contracts have been finalized. One of them is on the assessment of OSAP, which will evaluate the impact of OSAP's transformation on students and parents and their perceptions of PSE affordability.

HEQCO is planning a conference on equity of access from a hands-on perspective which will be held in Toronto on April 4-5, 2018.

He also reported that he and Martin Hicks have been invited to present a paper at the OECD conference in November in Bucharest, Romania on performance measurement and evaluation of the postsecondary system in Ontario.

5.1 1st quarter 2017-18 financial report**Motion:**

1. That the Board approve the 1st quarter financial report 2017-18 for submission to the Minister of Advanced Education and Skills Development.

Moved by Michael Hill; seconded by Denis Mayer.

Approved unanimously.

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6.1 Risk Assessment Report**Motion:**

1. That the Board approve the Risk Assessment Report 2017/18 for submission to the Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Development.

Moved by Denis Mayer; seconded by Michael Hill

Approved unanimously.

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7. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 am.