



**At the Board meeting  
Thursday, April 23, 2020**

Note: Due to the impact of COVID-19, the Audited Financial Statements and Audit Report could not be completed; these were deferred to a July meeting. As well, without understanding the impact of COVID-19, the Operating and Capital Budgets could not be completed with confidence. The approval of these budgets were deferred to the September Board meeting to allow the University the ability to better to determine the impact of the pandemic on enrolment and ancillary revenue components,

**Via the Consent Agenda:**

- ✚ The minutes from the February 27, 2020, Board meeting were approved.
- ✚ Committee reports were received from committees via the Consent Agenda:
  - Audit Committee
    - Revisions to the Safe Disclosure Policy were approved by the Board.
  - Executive Committee
  - Finance Committee
    - The Annual Compliance Certificate for Research for 2019/20 was approved.
  - Nominating Committee

**Via Regular Meeting Agenda:**

- ✚ An Indigenous Land Recognition Statement was read, recognizing that the Mount is built on unceded Mi'kmaq territory and paying respect to Elders, past, present and future.
- ✚ The Consent and Meeting agendas were approved
- ✚ The Board Chair provided an update on activities and events, and on the President's evaluation process. She spoke to recent Executive and Finance committee meetings held to receive updates on Covid-19 and the financial status of the University
- ✚ Committee Reports were received from:
  - Finance Committee
    - The preliminary 2019-2020 year-end financial results were reviewed.
- ✚ The President provided an environmental scan on the external environment and spoke to communications with internal and external constituents and multi-levels of Federal and Provincial government regarding COVID-19 and the tragic events that unfolded in the province over the past week.

- ✦ An update on the work to date and status of the development of the Mount's Strategic Plan.
- ✦ An update was provided on the invoking of the Policy on the Academic Implications of a Significant Disruption of Operations (a Senate policy)
- ✦ An update was provided on the Students Union
- ✦ An update was provided on the faculty hiring process and that the status of several Executive searches that were underway pre-COVID.
- ✦ The Board approved the extension of the term of the Dean of Professional Studies for one additional year;
- ✦ The Board approved the temporary appointment of the Interim Associate, Vice President, and Research.
- ✦ The Board was updated on the impact of COVID-19 on the ability to develop the budget and how the Mount is working with other universities, internal and external working groups, and levels of government to develop and consider various scenarios to help determine the level of impact on enrollment and other revenue streams. Approval of the budgets have been deferred to the fall.
- ✦ Constituency reports were received from the Faculty, Students and Alumnae groups