

**MINUTES OF THE 509<sup>th</sup> SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF DAWSON COLLEGE HELD ON WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 18 2020 AT 7:00 P.M. BY VIDEOCONFERENCE, 3040 SHERBROOKE STREET WEST, MONTREAL, QUEBEC**

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PRESENT:            Sonya Branco                      Michael Goldwax, Chair            Frank Runcie  
                         Kevin Contant-Holowatij        Igor Gorelyshev                  Jamie Singerman  
                         Francesca Cuffaro                  Steve Hatajlo                      Victoria Trim  
                         Richard Fillion                      Maurice Hughes                  Anna Villalta  
                         Anna Gagliardi                      Azra Khan                          David Wolfson  
                         Diane Gauvin                        Alex McComber

Regrets:            None

College Officers:    François Paradis                  Pascahl Scott

Chair of Senate:    Jonathon Sumner

Recording Secretary  
to the Board:        Janet Pakulis

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**Agenda**

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**509.1    ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA OF THE 509<sup>th</sup> MEETING**

**509.2    APPOINTMENT OF THE DIRECTOR GENERAL**

**509.5    ADJOURNMENT**

## **509.1 ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA OF THE 509<sup>th</sup> MEETING**

Michael Goldwax, Chair of the Board thanked all for attending this Special meeting.

It was moved by Anna Villalta, seconded by Kevin Contant-Holowatij, **THAT THE AGENDA OF THE 509<sup>th</sup> SPECIAL MEETING BE ADOPTED.**

The motion was adopted unanimously.

## **509.2 APPOINTMENT OF THE DIRECTOR GENERAL**

Michael Goldwax, Chair of the Selection Committee and Chair of the Board, explained the process with background details. The selection process for the position of Director General began on August 31, 2020.

The Selection Committee was comprised of the following members:

- Michael Goldwax, Chair of the Selection Committee and Chair of the Board
- Anna Villalta, Vice-Chair of the Board, External Board member
- Azra Khan, Internal Board member, Professional
- Frank Runcie, Internal Board member, Faculty
- Alex McComber, External Board member
- Steve Hatajlo, External Board member
- Jamie Singerman, External Board member
- Jonathan Sumner Chair of Senate, Ex-Officio, non voting

Also present for meetings and interviews were François Paradis, Director of Corporate Affairs and Pascahl Scott, Director of Human Resources.

The position was posted between September 16 to 30 on a number of platforms and newspapers: AMEQ en ligne, Education News Canada, CIGan, ACCQ, LinkedIn, The Gazette, the Globe and Mail and La Presse Plus. Thirteen candidates applied and four were short-listed for interviews. Of those, three candidates were invited to take a thorough competency assessment process test.

Excluding interviews, the Committee met nine times from August 31 to a final meeting on November 11.

Jonathan Sumner, Chair of Senate stated that Senate met with the recommended candidate just prior to this meeting and presented its recommendation to the Board.

**1) It was moved by Anna Gagliardi, seconded by Alex McComber, THAT DIANE GAUVIN BE APPOINTED DIRECTOR GENERAL OF DAWSON COLLEGE.**

The motion was adopted unanimously.

- 2) It was moved by Anna Villalta, seconded by Victoria Trim, **THAT THE TERM OF OFFICE OF DIANE GAUVIN AS DIRECTOR GENERAL BE FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2021 TO DECEMBER 31, 2025 (ARTICLE 12).**

The motion was adopted unanimously by those eligible to vote.

### 509.3 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Signatures:

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Michael Goldwax  
Chair

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François Paradis,  
Director, Corporate Affairs