

**Present**

Adamoski, Robert	Deisman, Wade	Mott, Maxine
Androsiuk, Mary	Dhaliwal, Harj	Murray, Joel
Atkinson, David (Chair)	Duggan, Barbara	Penhorwood, Jan
Baker, Douglas	Gordon, Jody (ex officio)	Robertson, Carolyn
Brouwer, Patrick	Fernando, John	Robertson, Derek
Carr, Brian	Goedbloed, Dana	Sato, Takashi (Vice Chair)
Coren, Arthur	Haq, Aysha	Schwartz, Linda
Cserepes, Dana (Vice Chair)	Howes, Stephanie	Wade, Tally
Cunnin, Betty	MacDonald, Cathy	Whittemore, Joel
Dastur, Farhad	McGillivray, Judith	
Davis, Bob		
Dean, Geoff		

**University Secretariat**

Klassen, Sandi	Metzger, Karen (Recorder)
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**Regrets**

Bubber, Arvinder (Chancellor)	Klinkhamer, Sooz Guirguis, Mazen	Sandhu, Jaswinder Mumford, Rob
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**Guests**

Lee, Gordon, VP, Finance & Administration  
Lee, Vivian, Manager, Budgeting & Assurance

**1. Call to Order**

David Atkinson called the special meeting of Senate to order at 4:07 pm, the first meeting at which Senate is tasked with reviewing a proposed university budget.

**2. Confirmation of Agenda**

**Moved by Derek Robertson, seconded by Betty Cunnin, that Senate approve the agenda as amended:** after item 3, add 'Items for Discussion'.

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**3. Budget Presentation**

D. Atkinson introduced Vivian Lee and Gordon Lee, who will guide Senate through the review of the proposed budget for 2009/2010. Should Senate approve the proposed budget, it will proceed to the *Audit & Finance* committee of the Board of Governors, and from there to the Board for final approval. The approved budget will become a public document, posted on the Kwantlen Website.

The Chair noted that this first process of dealing with the budget suffered from time constraints. The process will start earlier next year, when the *Senate Standing Committee on Academic Planning & Priorities* will be responsible for establishing the academic priorities for the institution, which will guide the budget.

D. Atkinson recognized the outstanding work done by the VP of Finance and team, as well as the major contribution of the deans in the two-day budget session earlier in the month, which produced a snapshot of the institution not clearly seen before.

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He stressed that Senate is empowered only to review and make recommendations on the budget to the Board.

Gordon Lee and Vivian Lee guided Senate in the review of the proposed budget schedules, and answered questions from Senators. Judith McGillivray provided detailed information where appropriate.

It is planned to review the budget halfway through the budget year; funds may be re-allocated at that time, if possible, to meet requests that were not able to be granted in the proposed budget.

Dana Cserepes reported on behalf of the *Senate Standing Committee on the University Budget* that the committee recommends acceptance of the proposed 2009/2010 University Budget, but had a number of concerns as outlined in the distributed report.

There was general discussion about the inadequacy of the funding provided by the Ministry for Kwantlen to carry out its mandated responsibilities.

**Moved by David Atkinson, seconded by Maxine Mott, that the proposed budget for 2009/2010 presented to Senate is consistent with, and sustains, the academic mission and *budget strategic* priorities of the institution as reviewed by Senate Dec. 15, 2008.**

**Moved by Bob Davis, seconded by Jan Penhorwood, to amend the motion as follows: add 'budget strategic' before 'priorities', and after 'institution' add 'as reviewed by Senate Dec. 15, 2008.'**

**AMENDMENT CARRIED.**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

**Moved by Geoff Dean, seconded by Joel Whittemore, that notwithstanding the previous motion recommending this budget to the Board, Senate recognizes that Kwantlen as an institution is severely underfunded by the government, and thus unable to serve our region adequately, and that Senate therefore urges the Board of Governors to work toward correcting that state of affairs.**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

#### **4. Items for Discussion**

Bob Davis proposed that Kwantlen hire apprenticeship students to assist with general maintenance as an acknowledgement of the quality of Kwantlen's Trades programs. D. Atkinson will take it under advisement.

#### **5. Next Meeting:** Mar. 30, 2009, 4:00 pm, G 2110

#### **6. Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 5:56 pm.