



## Board of Regents Regular Meeting

September 16, 2022

9:00am – 12:00pm

LCOOU Boardroom

### Minutes

1. Opening Prayer offered by Daryl Coons Jr.
2. Call to order by Chairman Jason Bisonette at 9:13am
3. Roll Call - Jason Bisonette, Monica Chase, Daryl Coons Jr., Melissa Lewis arrived at 9:07am, Kyle Van Acker arrived at 9:19am, Gary Gerber not present, Marie Basty not present
4. Reading of LCOOU Mission Statement – Melissa Lewis  
The Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe University mission is to provide Anishinaabe communities with post-secondary and continuing education while advancing the language, culture, and history of the Ojibwe.
5. Approval of today's agenda  
**Monica Chase motioned to approve agenda. Melissa Lewis seconded motion. Motion carried.**
6. Approval of previous meeting minutes  
**Melissa Lewis motioned to approve previous meeting minutes. Monica Chase seconded motion. Motion carried.**
7. Public Comment - none
8. Student Senate Report – Student Senate elections are being held. Members will be inaugurated and one of them will be appointed to participate in Board of Regents Meetings.
9. Tribal Governing Board Liaison Report - none
10. President's Report  
Information packet sent to the TGB as requested during Board-to-Board meeting. Low-income tax credit application due in December. Need to finalize the lease with TGB before submitting application. A meeting will be scheduled to finalize lease in a month or so.

University Lease- Mark Montano reviewed timeline of land lease. College acquired land in lease agreement on Feb 22, 1995. Map attached to lease



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revision. Current day – survey completed in 2021. BIE lease agreement drafted and sent to TGB. This was reviewed by LCO Legal Department. A confirming resolution drafted to accompany land lease on March 13, 2022.

Schedule time to meet with TGB and go over the timeline to include the approved resolution. TGB Vice Chair Gouge to contact Chairman Bisonette to schedule meeting with LCO Realty. Meeting should include Jason, Monica, and Dr. Swagger.

a. Enrollment report

Enrollment report shared. Summer enrollment down from previous year. Fall enrollment following previous enrollment trends. Term B registration still open. Need to look at professional development opportunities. Build robust summer programming, occupation specific training.

HEAB - Ms. Gouge still advocating for equal representation.

**Kyle Van Acker motioned to approve President's Report. Daryl Coons Jr. seconded motion. Motion carried.**

Break 10:47am – 11:03am

### 11. Financial Overview

Business Office - Audit continuing to run smoothly. Plan is to wrap up by November 1<sup>st</sup>. Fall charges being processed next week. Tuition revenue included in next month's statements. Budget process for FY 23-24 starting next month. Business office working to migrate grant management over to Ellucian. Training scheduled for next two weeks to get everyone trained. Ellucian's Accounts Receivable module will be ready by March. Kathy Baker is the new Financial Aid Counselor.

Recently awarded a grant from AICF for \$15,000 starting August 1st through June 30, 2023. This grant is called Native Students Stepping Forward – HSE.

Title III Part A received an increase, and we are being funded \$911,939 for year 3 (year 2 was \$815,186). Title III Part F received a slight decrease from last year but for year 3 we are being funded \$576,269 (year 2 was \$592,899). Mark Montano is managing both Part A and Part F.

Recently awarded two grants from the USDA, Gikinawaabi: Improving Student Success with Traditional Ecological Knowledge and Daazhiike Manezid: Meeting Community Needs with Ojibwe Ecological Knowledge. Gikinawaabi is a four-year grant for a total of \$556,777. Daazhiike Manezid is a four-year grant for a total of \$984,000. This grant is being managed by Sirella Ford.



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**Melissa Lewis motioned to approve financial report. Daryl Coons Jr. seconded motion. Motion carried.**

- a. COVID Financial Report – no report
- b. BHA Ellucian Implementation Monthly Report – no report

### 12. Other

- a. Name Change

Mr. Schlender prepared a resolution to amend the College Charter. TGB to sign off on it.

**Melissa Lewis motioned to authorize the President to change name to Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe University. Daryl Coons jr. seconded motion. Motion carried.**

- b. Faculty Handbook

Faculty credit load reduced to allow release time for student advising.

**Daryl Coons Jr. motioned to approve faculty handbook. Monica Chase seconded motion. Motion carried.**

- c. A&E Firm

Documents provided in board materials. Review at next meeting.

### 13. Executive Session

**Kyle Van Acker motioned to enter executive session at 11:34am. Daryl Coons Jr. seconded motion. Motion carried.**

- a. Advancement

**Daryl Coons Jr. motioned to exit executive session at 11:39am. Melissa Lewis seconded motion. Motion carried.**

### 14. Next Meeting – October 21, 2022

### 15. Adjournment -11:40am