



**Durham College of Applied Arts and Technology  
Board of Governors Special Meeting  
Public Session Minutes**

**Date: Friday, March 6, 2026  
Location: Virtual Meeting, MS Teams**

**Members Present:**

Lisa Allen, Board Chair  
Megan Bent  
Brandon Bird  
Melissa Bosomworth  
Jim Brown  
Alison Burgess  
Jeff Dorman  
Kelly Doyle  
John Ecker  
Rhonda Jessup  
Ian Murray  
Elaine Popp, President  
Peter Pryce, Board Vice Chair  
Kwende Thomas  
Dwight Townsend  
Nathan Wilson

**Regrets:**

Jerry Ouellette

**Staff Present:**

Jean Choi, VP, Academic and Students  
Rick Hutchinson, VP, Strategic Infrastructure and Campus Safety  
Barbara MacCheyne, VP, Corporate Services and Chief Financial Officer  
Thom MacDonald, AVP, Enrolment and International Education  
Melissa Pringle, Manager, Board Governance and Privacy

**1. Call to Order**

With quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 11:31 a.m.

**2. Land Acknowledgement**

President Popp offered the land acknowledgement.

**3. Conflict of Interest Declarations**

The Chair asked if there were any conflicts of interest to declare. None noted.

**4. Presentations**

There were no presentations.

**5. Consent Agenda**

There were no consent agenda items.

**6. Report of the Board Chair**

There was no report of the Board Chair.

**7. Co-Populous Governors' Report**

There was no co-populous governors' report.

**8. Decision Items**

There were no decision items.

**9. Discussion Items**

There were no discussion items.

**10. Information Items**

There were no information items.

**11. Upcoming Events**

There were no upcoming events reported.

**12. Move to In-Camera Session**

By-law No. 1 provides for the Board to move in-camera to discuss items confidential to the College.

Moved by Governor Wilson

Seconded by Governor Ecker

“That the Durham College Board of Governors move in-camera to discuss two financial matters.” CARRIED

The Board moved in-camera at 11:33 a.m.

The Board rose from the in-camera session at 12:33 p.m.

During the in-camera session, the Board received an update on the impact of the recent provincial funding announcement and approved revised tuition fees for the 2026-2027 academic year.

**13. Adjournment**

With no further business, the meeting ended at 12:33 p.m.



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Lisa Allen  
Board Chair



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Melissa Pringle  
Board Secretary