BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

The University of Saskatchewan Board of Governors held its regularly scheduled board meeting on October 7 and 8, 2019. The following is an update on the highlights of the meeting. This summary is intended to identify significant items on which the Board has taken positive action. The Board agenda may also include proposals that have not reached completion, items covered by confidentiality and privacy policies or legal privilege, and information items that are reported or announced elsewhere. These are not normally included the Board Highlights summary.

Cultural Safety Evaluation, Training and Research Lab
The Board of Governors granted Board 1 and 2 approval of the final programme, capital ($524,495) and operating ($387,500) budgets for the Cultural Safety Evaluation, Training and Research Lab CFI proposal. The project will undertake critical and relevant research specific to cultural safety and evaluation of cultural safety programs; initiatives and training that considers the historical, cultural and perceived practical basis for enduring culturally unsafe practices; and provide a state-of-the-art environment to educate HQP in this emerging area of health care service provision, led and designed by Canadian and international Indigenous health experts.

Chancellor emeritus
The Board of Governors approved Chancellor Emeritus status for Roy Romanow, effective October 8, 2019 in recognition of the contributions made to the university during his tenure as chancellor from 2016 to 2019. This distinguished service to the university warrants such an honour.

Living our values
The Board of Governors attended a presentation on Living our Values. The Living our Values policy translates the values adopted by the governing bodies of the University of Saskatchewan in 2016 as part of the Mission, Vision and Values into a statement of expectations for the conduct of members of the university community. The policy provides definitions of these values, and reaffirms the responsibility of all those connected with the university to act in accordance with them. Feedback is being sought from the three governing bodies of the university this fall, with the expectation that a final version will be presented for approval to Council, Senate and the Board by June 2020.

The next scheduled Board of Governors meeting will be held on December 16 and 17, 2019.