# Georgian

# **Board Meeting Highlights**

The March 29, 2018 Board of Governors' meeting was held at the Barrie Campus.

# The board received a number of reports, including:

Program Advisory Committee
Advancement Committee Report
Construction Update

# Strategic discussions:

Program development and approval process
International strategy

# Motions were passed by the board to approve:

Procurement approvals
Add a new member to the Advancement Committee

### **Construction update**

Work continues on Phase II of the project. Masonry work is complete. The curtain wall glass has some issues that required the contractor to return the glass to the manufacturer. Glass installation continues and will speed up with the change in the weather. The repaired panels were returned to us in mid-March. The contractor tarped the building to allow work to continue in the building. Everything else is moving well e.g., drywall, mechanical, electrical, painting, etc.

Finance contacted the ministry with regard to the project delays to request an extension. They have advised 20 projects have requested an extension and they are working with the federal government in this regard. The federal government has recently advised it will be providing extensions to accommodate project delays. These will be approved based on a business case to be submitted by each college. Georgian's business case was approved by the province and is awaiting federal approval.

### **Procurement approvals**

### Printing, mailroom and shipping services

Print services were identified as a savings strategy in fall 2016. To date, the college successfully reduced print costs through the renegotiation of onsite print services by \$190K from 2016 to 2017 (30 percent savings). These savings have been realized in the annual budget.

Through the purchase (vs lease) and streamlining of the number of printers, leveraging technology for efficiency and the migration of the print shop to an offsite location, this RFP is anticipating an additional savings of \$120K annually. It is important to note that these estimated savings are net of the additional software and resources required to improve the overall print experience for college faculty, students and staff.



#### Insurance brokerage services

Twenty of the 24 colleges have established a consortium insurance program. The brokerage services for this consortia of colleges is competitively tendered through the OECM, formerly known as Ontario Education Collaborative Marketplace. The objective of this procurement is to secure a broker, which has the experience and capabilities to market and price insurance policies for the consortia. Georgian elected to be part of this tendering process with the consortium.

