The Dec. 8, 2016 Board of Governors’ meeting was held at our Barrie Campus.

The board received the following reports:
- Enrolment Interim Report
- Strategic Mandate Agreement Report Back
- Ashoka Working Group
- Mid-Year Business Plan Update
- Research Update
- Program Advisory Committee Appointments

Motions were passed by the board to approve:
- The Sexual Violence Policy
- The Investment Performance Report for the Year Ending March 31, 2016

Ashoka Changemaker Campus Designation
Georgian is in the process of pursuing the Ashoka Changemaker Campus Designation; Ashoka is a worldwide organization supporting a prominent global network of leading colleges and universities that successfully support social innovation and entrepreneurship to solve social and environmental problems.

A Changemaker Campus is a community of leaders and institutions who work collectively to make social innovation and changemaking the new norm in higher education and beyond. Changemaker Campuses are committed to transforming the field of higher education through collaboration and thought leadership. The Changemaker Campus Designation is a rigorous one to two-year selection process recognizing colleges and universities globally that have embedded social innovation as a core value. Georgian will receive information on whether it has been successful with accreditation in the spring of 2017.

SMA
The 2015-16 Strategic Mandate Agreement (SMA) Report Back is the Ministry of Advanced Education and Training’s process of college and university accountability reporting and aligns with the Strategic Mandate Agreements in the areas of accessibility, high-quality and student-centred learning experiences, social and economic development, financial sustainability and accountability.

The annual SMA Report Back requires postsecondary institutions to provide, using a prescribed template, evidence-based measures that reflect the system-wide metrics in the ministry’s Differentiation Policy Framework as well as narrative outlining an institution’s strengths, best practices and strategies that drive system-wide priorities. Georgian’s 2015-16 SMA Report Back was submitted on Nov. 17, 2016.

By-law, Policy and University Partnership Centre Committee
The By-law, Policy and University Partnership Centre Committee completed a full review of the draft Sexual Violence Policy Procedure and Protocol. As a result, the committee put forward a motion to the board to approve the Sexual Violence Policy for Georgian College. The board has met the requirement for the new legislation which requires every college and university to provide its Board of Governors and the Minister data from its students and other persons, as directed by the Minister. The legislation comes into force Jan. 1, 2017. The annual report to the board will be required after the ministry defines the reporting metrics.