



BOARD NOTES

St. Francis Xavier University Board of Governors

March 20, 2020

The Board of Governors held a special meeting on Friday, March 20, 2020. The following is a summary of proceedings at the meeting.

COVID-19 RESPONSE UPDATE

President Wamsley provided an overview of immediate actions taken by the University in response to rapidly changing pandemic situation. A decision was made to suspend face-to-face classes as of March 16 based on recommendations from Public Health. Following this, students were encouraged to leave the residences and return home as Public Health identified the residence operations as a risk area. Courses will re-commence through on-line tools starting March 23. The University activated its emergency planning group a few weeks ago and they have been meeting on a daily basis. The University has also been participating in daily briefing calls with other Post-Secondary Institutions, Labour and Advanced Education and Public Health and is part of a regional emergency planning group with Town and County representatives.

Following the overview by Dr. Wamsley updates were provided by Mr. Beckett, VP Finance & Admin; Dr. Hynes, Academic Vice President & Provost and Ms. Elizabeth Yeo, VP Students.