



College of New Caledonia

Public Meeting of the Board Minutes

October 23, 2025
1:30pm – 2:15pm
Boardroom 3-311

1. CALL TO ORDER: Judy Vasily, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:30pm. Ms. Vasily acknowledged the unceded territory of the Lheidli T'enneh First Nation.

Welcome Varun Kumar elected Student Board Members. Varun was invited to say a few words of introduction.

Board Member Disclosure of Conflict; Potential, Real or Perceived Conflict of Interest.

For the purposes of Board Member Disclosure, Ms. Vasily addressed item 3a) Motion, Program Cancellations and 3b) Motion, Tuition and Mandatory Fees Increase.

It was declared that Daniel Nnane, Elected Faculty Board Member will abstain from voting on item 3a) Motion, Program Cancellations.

It was declared that Gurtej Singh and Varun Kumar, Student Board members will abstain from voting on item 3b), Motion, Tuition and Mandatory fees.

Attendance Board Members:

B. Boswell	V. Kumar	W. Schwab
B. Buksa -	S. Rock	G. Singh
B. Campbell	R. Saxena - Regrets	J. Vasily, Chair
F. Khan	L. Scott	C. Heitman - President
T. Lewis	D. Schroeter, Vice Chair	M. Beaulieu - Secretary
D. Nnane		

Attendance Administration:

E. Benoit, Associate VP Academic - Regrets	J. King, Vice President Indigenization
S. Carter-Rose, Vice President Student Affairs	T. Szerencsi, VP Finance & Corporate Services
B. McKay, Vice President Academic	M. Erickson, Special Advisor to the President on Indigenous Affairs - Regrets

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

MOTION **MOVED THAT** the CNC Board adopt the agenda as presented.

Boswell/Schroeter

CARRIED

2.1 Education Council Report.

Wendel Schwab, Education Council Chair noted that Education Council rendered advice concerning the program suspensions and cancellations. Mr. Schwab read a statement from Education Council, attached to the October 23, 2025, Public Board meeting agenda for reference.

3. ACTION/DECISION ITEMS

- a) **Program Cancellations;** Bruce McKay, Vice President Academic reviewed the briefing note, attached to the October 23, 2025, Public Board meeting agenda for reference.

Mr. McKay noted that, following the rigorous consultation process, the Social Service Worker Certificate Program has been removed from the list of programs recommended for cancellation. He explained that several students in this program receive funding, and the certificate serves as a pathway to the diploma program. Cancelling it would negatively impact students pursuing diploma-level studies. Mr. McKay also addressed questions regarding teach-out plans.

MOTION **MOVED THAT** the CNC Board approve the cancellation of the following programs effective January 2026.

- ABT Admin Assistant
- ABT Online Office Clerk
- ABT Online Office Assistant
- Social Service Worker Applied Diploma
- Post Diploma Human Resources Management
- Post Diploma Tourism and Hotel Management
- Kinesiology Diploma
- Applied Science Engineering Certificate

Schroeter/Scott

One Abstention, Two Opposed

CARRIED

- b) **Tuition and Mandatory Fees Increase;** Tara Szerencsi, Vice President Finance & Corporate Services; Shelley Carter-Rose, Vice President Student Affairs. Ms. Szerencsi reviewed the briefing note, attached to October 23, 2025, Public Board meeting agenda for reference.

MOTION MOVED THAT the College Board approves an increase on domestic tuition and mandatory fees for courses or programs starting August 1, 2026, or later to the maximum permitted under the provincial tuition limit policy

Khan/Schroeter Three Abstentions

CARRIED

3.1 Board Calendar – Next Board meeting, November 21, 2025.

Judy Vasily, Board Chair thanked the Board for their diligence and compassion in addressing these complicated items.

5. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION MOVED THAT the meeting adjourn at 3:30pm.



Judy Vasily, Board Chair

Marlene Beaulieu, Board Secretary

January 19, 2026

Date

Date