



Monday, September 26, 2022
Electronic Vote

Item #	Title	Presenter (s)	Decision?
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ACTION ITEMS

	<i><u>Report of the Audit and Risk and Reputation and Public Affairs Committees</u></i>	Mona Hale Paul Whittaker	
1.	University of Alberta Annual Report, 2021-22	Elan MacDonald	x

BACKGROUND

The submission of the University of Alberta’s Annual Report is an annual accountability requirement of the Government of Alberta. At the request of the Vice-President (External Relations), the Board Chair agreed to a change in the Annual Report’s approval timeline from June to September to allow for more meaningful content, including progress towards University of Alberta for Tomorrow goals. Because the Government of Alberta’s deadline for submission of the report is September 30, 2022, the changed timeline requires an electronic vote of the Board of Governors.

A draft report was considered by the Board Reputation and Public Affairs Committee (BRPAC) in May and shared with the Board in June. At its meeting on September 16, 2022, BRPAC voted to recommend the Annual Report to the Board of Governors.

At its meeting on September 26, 2022, the Board Audit and Risk Committee (BARC) reviewed the document as required by the Government of Alberta accountability statement, and also engaged in a discussion of the report from an enterprise-risk perspective. Members suggested several editorial changes and also expressed concern regarding the phraseology of some sections of the report given the potential for wide distribution of the report. Following discussion, the committee recommended Board approval of the report pending submission of BARC members’ comments on the report to management, as well as the review and sign-off of the full report by the university’s General Counsel. Changes in response to BARC members’ feedback have been incorporated into the final Annual Report.

The Board Chair is now requesting an electronic vote of the Board of Governors to consider this item as soon as possible.

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