

March 25, 2022

Barb Westlake-Power, MPA  
Deputy City Clerk  
City Clerk's Office  
City of London

**via email:   bwestlak@london.ca**

Re:           City Appointees to Western University's Board of Governors

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In 2021, Western's Board of Governors adjusted its term start dates, where possible, to July 1 to align with the academic year of the University.

In the fall of 2021, a request was granted by the City of London to shift its appointments to the Board of Governors from a December 1 start date to a July 1 start date.

In aid of that transition, the City of London extended the appointment of Michael Lerner to June 30, 2022.

I respectfully request that the Strategic Priorities and Policy Committee (the SPPC) adjust the term of Harold Usher to end as of June 30, 2022 (rather than November 30, 2022), and that the SPPC appoint two members to the Board, effective July 1, 2022.

We appreciate Harold's service to the Board and want to acknowledge that he will be considered to have completed his full term.

To aid with the recruitment of new Board members, the Board's Senior Policy and Operations Committee has considered the skills matrix of the current Board members and identified the following needs:

- Senior corporate experience
- CPA and audit committee experience
- Diversity, including gender, Black, Indigenous, Persons of Colour, sexual orientation and gender identity
- Skillset for growth and building opportunities for Western in terms of external partnerships, collaborations, internship and entrepreneurship opportunities
- Fundraising
- Information technology experience

Please contact the University Secretary, Amy Bryson, if you require any further information. She can be reached at [abryson4@uwo.ca](mailto:abryson4@uwo.ca) or 519-661-2056.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rick Konrad". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent 'R' and 'K'.

Rick Konrad  
Chair, Board of Governors  
Western University