

Board of Governors, Tomas Bata University in Zlín
Minutes of 46th Board Meeting Held in the Conference Room of
the Rectorate in Zlín at 10:00 on 17 June 2022

Board members attending the meeting: Ing. Eva Bartoňová, PaedDr. Alena Gajdůšková, Prof. Ing. Eva Jiříčná, M. Arch., CBE, Ing. Libor Láznička, Ph.D., Libor Lukáš, Ing. Michaela Šojdrová, Prof. Ing. Jaromír Veber, CSc.

Excused: Thomas Archer Bata, Assoc. Prof. Ing. Jiří Volf, CSc.

Also attending the meeting, on behalf of Tomas Bata University in Zlín (hereinafter referred to as TBU):

Prof. Ing. Vladimír Sedlařík, Ph.D.	Rector
RNDr. Alexander Černý	Bursar
Assoc. Prof. Ing. Martin Sysel, Ph.D.	Chairperson of the TBU Academic Senate

The following agenda was proposed for the 46th meeting of the TBU Board of Governors (hereinafter referred to as “BG”):

Agenda:

1. Opening
2. Election of the Chairperson and of the Deputy Chairperson of the TBU Board of Governors
3. Report by the Rector on the State of the University
4. Discussion on the TBU Annual Activity Report 2021
5. Discussion on the TBU Annual Economic Report 2021
6. Discussion on the TBU Budget Plan 2022 and on the Medium-Term Outlook for the TBU Budget 2023–2024
7. Opinion of the Board as to the financial investment in the TBU Nursery School
8. Discussion on agreements/contracts on the establishment of real burdens
9. Miscellaneous
10. Closing

Agenda Item 1 – Opening

The meeting of the TBU Board of Governors was opened by PaedDr. Alena Gajdůšková, Chairperson of the Board. She welcomed all members attending the meeting and presented the agenda proposed for the 46th Board meeting. The agenda was unanimously approved by all Board members present. 7 Board members were attending the meeting so that the Board constituted a quorum.

Agenda Item 2 - Election of the Chairperson and of the Deputy Chairperson of the TBU Board of Governors

Chairperson Dr. Alena Gajdůšková, whose term of office had expired, thanked the Board members and the TBU Management Board for their cooperation. She appreciated the activities of the University during the coronavirus crisis and expressed satisfaction with the fact that the cooperation between the University and the Zlín Regional Authority had been further strengthened. Prof. Sedlařík, TBU Rector, also thanked Dr. Gajdůšková for her cooperation.

The election of the Chairperson and of the Deputy Chairperson of the Board was held in accordance with the Statute of the BG. Dr. Gajdůšková nominated Dr. Láznička as a candidate for the post of the Chairperson, Ing. Šojdrová and Ing. Bartoňová nominated Dr. Gajdůšková as a candidate for the post of the Deputy Chairperson of the Board.

Names of members of the Election Committee were drawn from the ballot box, namely Prof. Veber and Prof. Jiříčná.

Dr. Lázníčka was nominated as a candidate for the post of the Chairperson of the BG. In a secret ballot he received 6 votes (1 Board member refrained from voting).

Dr. Gajdůšková was nominated as a candidate for the post of the Deputy Chairperson of the BG. In a secret ballot she received 6 votes (1 Board member refrained from voting).

Agenda Item 3 - Report by the Rector on the State of the University

In his presentation, Rector Prof. Vladimír Sedlařík stated that TBU is a stabilized institution. TBU has 9,565 students, among them 11% international students. The FaME and the FLCM experienced an increase in the number of students. The University wants to support particularly the development of degree programmes/courses in technology (degree programmes/courses in arts are filled to capacity).

In 2021, TBU produced 2,071 graduates. The average unemployment rate of TBU graduates is 1.8%, with the highest rate being at the FLCM (3.7%). In 2021, 12,337 applicants submitted applications for study at TBU.

The current number of TBU employees is 1,040 (524 academics, 59 researchers, 406 salaried employees and 51 other employees). Furthermore, Prof. Sedlařík focused on the results of TBU's scientific and project activities, student and academic staff mobility (in 2020/2021 there was a decrease due to the pandemic). Prof. Sedlařík also mentioned the position of TBU in international university rankings: In the THE University Rankings 2022, TBU holds the rank 1200+ (a shared rank 8 together with 11 other higher education institutions). However, TBU is the best higher education institution in the Czech Republic in the following areas: Business and Management, Accounting and Finance. In the QS World University Ranking 2023, TBU holds the rank 1001-1200, and in the QS University Rankings EECA 2022, TBU is ranked 87th.

Prof. Sedlařík also spoke about the external evaluation of TBU by the National Accreditation Bureau for Higher Education Institutions, which took place in the period from August 2021 to April 2022; the evaluation committee confirmed the positive impacts of institutional accreditation on the activities of TBU. He also highlighted other national and international accomplishments of TBU occurring in 2021.

Furthermore, the Rector informed the Board members about the Lifelong Learning Strategy (LL) of TBU in Zlín for the 21+ Period, about the Strategy for Human Resources Development (HRM) of TBU in Zlín and about the Gender Equality Plan (GEP) of TBU in Zlín. All strategies were discussed in detail at TBU, and an action plan for implementation was drawn up for each of the strategies.

Furthermore, the Rector informed the Board members about the establishment of the Inter-University Regional Council; the purpose of the Council is cooperation on the development of locations where higher education institutions have their seat, cooperation with regions, sharing of good practice, etc. The Council includes 10 higher education institutions and participating members from other universities.

Resolution No. 1/46

The TBU Board of Governors discussed and gave its consent to the Lifelong Learning Strategy of Tomas Bata University in Zlín for the 21+ Period in the version approved by the TBU Academic Senate on 7 June 2022.

Voting on the Resolution No. 1/46

Out of 7 TBU BG members attending the meeting, 7 members voted for the Resolution No. 1/46.

Resolution No. 2/46

The TBU Board of Governors discussed and gave its consent to the Strategy for Human Resources Development of TBU in Zlín for 2022–2025 in the version approved by the TBU Academic Senate on 7 June 2022.

Voting on the Resolution No. 2/46

Out of 7 TBU BG members attending the meeting, 7 members voted for the Resolution No. 2/46.

Resolution No. 3/46

The TBU Board of Governors discussed and gave its consent to the Gender Equality Plan of TBU in Zlín in the version approved by the TBU Academic Senate on 7 June 2022.

Voting on the Resolution No. 3/46

Out of 7 TBU BG members attending the meeting, 7 members voted for the Resolution No. 3/46.

Agenda Item 4 - Discussion on the TBU Annual Activity Report 2021

Prof. Sedlařík, TBU Rector, presented the TBU Annual Activity Report 2021 to the TBU Board of Governors, and that in the version approved by the TBU Academic Senate at the meeting held on 7 June 2022.

Resolution No. 4/46

The TBU Board of Governors discussed the TBU Annual Activity Report 2021 in the version approved by the TBU Academic Senate on 7 June 2022.

Voting on the Resolution No. 4/46

Out of 7 TBU BG members attending the meeting, 7 members voted for the Resolution No. 4/46.

Prof. Jiříčná had to leave the meeting.

Discussion**The Board members:**

- thanked for a successful organization of the Festive Assembly held to mark the 20th anniversary of the establishment of TBU and of the opening of the newly renovated Assembly Hall.
- complimented TBU on the results achieved, on the strategies outlined and on the clearly defined methods aimed to implement the strategies.
- thanked for a very well-prepared project for the Alliance of European Universities and believe that TBU will be able to join the Alliance; this step made by TBU towards the EU would be of crucial importance for the University.
- appreciated that the submitted documents are aimed at ensuring that quality of employees working at TBU and at ensuring good conditions for their work.
- In their opinion, Prof. Sedlařík had set the right direction for the University during his term of office.
- nominated Rector Prof. Sedlařík as a candidate for the post of TBU Rector in the autumn elections.

Agenda Item 5 - Discussion on the TBU Annual Economic Report 2021

RNDr. Alexander Černý, TBU Bursar, informed the Board members about the TBU Annual Economic Report 2021. The Economic Committee of the Academic Senate recommended the document proposed for approval to the TBU Academic Senate at the meeting scheduled to be held on 28 June 2022. The Board of Governors will cast an electronic vote on the document after the mentioned date.

Ing. Šojdrová had to leave the meeting.

Agenda Item 6 - Discussion on the TBU Budget Plan 2022 and on the Medium-Term Outlook for the TBU Budget 2023–2024

RNDr. Alexander Černý, TBU Bursar, gave a presentation on the TBU Budget Plan 2022 and on

the Medium-Term Outlook for the TBU Budget 2023–2024.

Resolution No. 5/46

The TBU Board of Governors gave its consent to the TBU Budget Plan 2022 in the version approved by the TBU Academic Senate on 7 June 2022.

Voting on the Resolution No. 5/46

Out of 5 TBU BG members attending the meeting, 5 members voted for the Resolution No. 5/46.

Resolution No. 6/46

The TBU Board of Governors gave its consent to the Medium-Term Outlook for the TBU Budget 2023 - 2024 in the version approved by the TBU Academic Senate on 7 June 2022.

Voting on the Resolution No. 6/46

Out of 5 TBU BG members attending the meeting, 5 members voted for the Resolution No. 6/46.

Discussion

The Board members:

- recommended that the Board adopt a resolution in order to support the provision of additional funding to the planned construction of the new U1 building for the Faculty of Technology depending on the current conditions.

Resolution No. 7/46

The TBU Board of Governors confirms the priority of the project planned by the Construction Committee and entitled “New U1 Building (for the TBU FT)”. The Board supports the efforts of the TBU Management Board aimed to obtain the missing part of the funding for the project from public resources.

Voting on the Resolution No. 7/46

Out of 5 TBU BG members attending the meeting, 5 members voted for the Resolution No. 7/46.

Agenda Item 7 - Opinion of the Board as to the financial investment in the TBU Nursery School

RNDr. Alexander Černý, TBU Bursar, informed the Board members about the request for provision of additional funding necessary to cover the running costs of the Nursery School, including a detailed cost breakdown. The TBU Academic Senate approved the provision of additional funding to cover the operating loss of the TBU Nursery School in 2022 in the amount of no more than CZK 900,000.

Resolution No. 8/46

The TBU Board of Governors gives its prior written consent to the financial contribution to the TBU Nursery School registered as a legal entity (contribution to cover the a part of the running costs in 2022) amounting to no more than CZK 900,000.

Voting on the Resolution No. 8/46

Out of 5 TBU BG members attending the meeting, 5 members voted for the Resolution No. 8/46.

Agenda Item 8 - Discussion on agreements/contracts on the establishment of real burdens

RNDr. Alexander Černý, TBU Bursar, submitted documents related to the establishment of real burdens to the Board for discussion. All of the real burdens have to be established due to the planned demolition of the U1 building (the old building of the Faculty of Technology) and to the construction of a new building.

Resolution No. 9/46

The TBU Board of Governors gives its prior written consent to the conclusion of the Agreement on the Future Contract on the Establishment of the Real Burden entitled OT-001030064951/001-ELMO for the placement of low-voltage cables and the Agreement on the Future Contract on the Establishment of the Real Burden entitled 1040017492/001 for the placement of high-voltage cables, both of them in favour of the EG.D company.

Voting on the Resolution No. 9/46

Out of 5 TBU BG members attending the meeting, 5 members voted for the Resolution No. 9/46.

Resolution No. 10/46

The TBU Board of Governors gives its prior written consent to the conclusion of the Contract on the Establishment of the Real Burden – Servitude entitled OT-14430000427 for the placement of a transformer unit substation in favour of the EG.D company.

Voting on the Resolution No. 10/46

Out of 5 TBU BG members attending the meeting, 5 members voted for the Resolution No. 11/46.

Resolution No. 11/46

The TBU Board of Governors gives its prior written consent to the conclusion of the Agreement on the Future Contract on the Establishment of the Servitude entitled “11010-102969 VPIC Zlín, TBU – Demolition of the U1 Building - 11010-102969” in favour of the CETIN company.

Voting on the Resolution No. 11/46

Out of 5 TBU BG members attending the meeting, 5 members voted for the Resolution No. 11/46.

Agenda Item 9 - Miscellaneous

Dr. Gajdůšková informed the Board members about visits made to the FaME, FT and the FMC.

Assoc. Prof. Sysel, Chairperson of the TBU AS, informed the Board members about the call of the election of the candidate to be nominated as the Rector of TBU. Nominations can be submitted before 10:00 on 12 September 2022. The nominated candidates will present their visions to the academic community at a meeting held in the Assembly Hall on 16 September 2022. The actual election will take place in the Assembly Hall on 20 September 2022.

Prof. Sedlařík, TBU Rector, informed the Board members about the recently (re-)appointed Deans of TBU Faculties: FAI – Assoc. Prof. Jiří Vojtěšek, FT - Prof. Roman Čermák, FLCM – Assoc. Prof. Zuzana Tučková.

Agenda Item 10 - Closing

PaedDr. Alena Gajdůšková thanked all members for their attendance at the Board meeting and closed the meeting.

Ing. Libor Láznička, Ph.D.
Chairperson of TBU BG

PaedDr. Alena Gajdůšková
Deputy Chairperson of the TBU BG
Verifier of the Minutes

Zlín, on 17 June 2022

Minutes taken by: Mgr. Jana Lutonská