Policy Statement (Intent and Scope)

Governance and Board Policies for Board of Director consideration will be based on the following practices.

1. Board policy development and reviews will be governed by the following principles:
   1.1. Ensuring the integration of the Mandate, Vision, Mission and Guiding Principles of King’s University College.
   1.2. Providing public statements through which the Board can be held accountable.
   1.3. Complying with legal requirements and established parameters around which staff can develop Operating Policies, Professional and Technical Standards and Procedures.
   1.4. Affording the opportunity for consultation with stakeholder, partners and others as determined important by the Board of Directors.
   1.5. Striving to ensure Governance and Board Policies are written clearly, free of jargon or technical words and use inclusive language.

2. The request for a new Governance or Board Policy, where none exists, or the amending of an existing Governance or Board Policy, can arise from any source, e.g.: Directors of the Board, Voting Members of the Corporation, College Council, faculty, staff, students funders and government bodies, etc. The need to pursue a Governance or Board Policy initiative occurs at the sole discretion of the Board of Directors.

3. In determining the need for a new Governance or Board Policy, or an amendment to an existing Governance or Board policy, the Board of Directors will give consideration to but are not limited by the following parameters:
   3.1. Is the policy required by a government act, regulation or contract / agreement?
   3.2. Is there a defined need related to governance, operational considerations, future perspectives, health and safety, etc.?
3.3. Is the need at a level that warrants a Governance and Board Policy, in that it has organization-wide implications or consistency, risk / liability, equity / fairness, strategic direction or other considerations / impacts?

4. In developing a Governance or Board Policy or an amendment to an existing Governance or Board Policy, the Board of Directors will define the level of consultation to be undertaken in each case.

**Monitoring**

1. Implemented at all regular and special Board meetings.
2. Included in Vice Chair’s annual Governance Report