

## **David Moulton College Board Election Platform Statement March 2025**

The impetus for my decision to stand as a faculty candidate for the College Board was a result of the latest “Budget Forum”. During all my years in business and having served on numerous volunteer boards, I have never witnessed such an uninformative budget presentation. Even when you recognize that the majority of the budget is predetermined, there was no substance provided by the college management.

The recent announcement from KPU that they have a \$49 million deficit and are laying off 70 faculty compared to our administration projecting a ‘small’ surplus and minimal disruption has left me unsettled. For example, we have no idea about any budget issues with the new building. Anyone following the construction industry knows that costs have escalated significantly in this sector but we are in the dark regarding any cost potential overruns.

As your Board representative, I will advocate for as much transparency as allowed. I will report regularly to the faculty on Board deliberations through the auspices of the Faculty Association.

I have taught at the College for 20 years and I have several decades of private sector business experience.

In difficult times like these, we should ensure faculty and the College community receive clear and accurate information, rather than uncertainty or unrealistic expectations.

You can count on me to work for the best interests of faculty, students and support staff as your voice on the Douglas College Board. Thank you for your consideration.