

# The UNIVERSITY of WESTERN ONTARIO

#### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

#### **September 30, 2008**

The meeting was held at 1:00 p.m. in Room 330 Stevenson-Lawson Building.

PRESENT: Ms. M. Noble, Chair

Ms. I. Birrell, Secretary

Mr. F. Angeletti Ms. J. Moss
Mr. J. Berge Mr. J. Nash
Mr. J. Bitove Mr. M. Reid
Mr. S. Coxford Dr. S. Singh

Dr. P. Davenport
Dr. T. Hewitt
Ms. G. Kulczycki
Dr. F. Longstaffe
Ms. K. Meighen
Ms. J. Vanderheyden
Mr. H. Vander Laan
Dr. J. White
Mr. R. Wong
Mr. K. Zerebecki

Dr. L. Miller

By Invitation: H. Connell, L. Koza, L. Logan, C. Scott, C. Stinson

#### BG.08-93 **REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT**

The President's report consisted of the following items: beginning of the new school year, O-Week and neighbourhood relations, Lunar Science Institute (NASA), new MRI Equipment for Robarts, the COU Annual meeting and activities of the President since the June 24<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. Overhead slides used to highlight his presentation are attached as **Appendix 1.** 

#### BG.08-94 UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGENDA [Appendix I]

[A revised Unanimous Consent Agenda, was distributed at the meeting.]

It was moved by K. Zerebecki, seconded by F. Angeletti,

That the 17 items listed in Appendix I (Revised) be approved and/or received for information by the Board of Governors by unanimous consent.

**CARRIED** 

### BG.08-95 Minutes from the Previous Meeting

The minutes from the open session of the meeting of June 24, 2008 were approved as circulated.

#### BG.08-96 Affiliate University Colleges' Emergency Preparedness

Ms. Kulczycki reported that Western continues to work with the Affiliate University Colleges to develop procedures regarding the provision of emergency services. Western has signed agreements to provide fire safety, fire monitoring and emergency services to each Affiliate. King's and Brescia's facilities were reviewed using "crime prevention through environmental design" to assist in the provision of advice as to the measures required to make their buildings safer. Staff at the Affiliates have received basic emergency management training. Each Affiliate is setting up an emergency operations control group which parallels Western's. Western also provides Emergency Response Team coverage for the Affiliates which includes campus police, fire safety and emergency management as well as communications and public affairs.

## PROPERTY & FINANCE COMMITTEE [Appendix II]

#### BG.08-97 Transition to Long-Range Space Plan 2

## BG.08-97a Approval of Submission to MTCU

It was moved by F. Angeletti, seconded by J. Moss,

That the Board of Governors approve that the projects listed in The Transition to Long-Range Space Plan 2 (which are to be submitted to the MTCU as part of the province's infrastructure program) be supported in principle, on the understanding that the usual approval stages will apply to any individual project ultimately recommended to proceed, in accordance with the Board's policies, practices and procedures for approval of capital projects

Ms. Kulczycki stated that the projects listed in The Transition to Long-Range Space Plan 2, detailed in Appendix II, Annex 1, is Western's submission to the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities' (MTCU) request for proposals with respect to the new government infrastructure funding program, i.e., the \$60 billion for infrastructure and renewal. Final decisions on funded projects will be made by the Ministry and announcements on funding might be included in the spring 2009 provincial budget. Further details are contained in Appendix II, Annex 1 distributed with the agenda.

The question was called and CARRIED.

#### BG.08-97b Siting of Potential Ivey Building

It was moved by J. Vanderheyden, seconded by H. Vander Laan,

That the Board of Governors approve in principle that, should a new Ivey Building be constructed, it be sited on the University's land on the west side of Western Road, south of the Springett Parking Lot.

Ms. Kulczycki provided an overview of the siting of a potential Ivey Building detailed in Appendix II, item 1b. She noted that a significant amount of money must be raised by Ivey in order to have the building come to fruition; fixing on a location will allow Ivey to focus its fundraising efforts.

The current playing fields on the site could be relocated on a site on Westminster Hall lands or behind the existing TD Waterhouse Stadium.

The question was called and CARRIED.

#### BG.08-98 Information Items Reported by the Property & Finance Committee

The Report of the Property & Finance Committee contained the following items that were received for information by unanimous consent:

Bill Bell Chair in Petroleum Geology

#### BG.08-103 Update on Non-Bank Asset-Backed Commercial Paper

The Board received for information an update on Asset-Backed Commercial Paper Market detailed in Appendix IV, item 3.

## MCINTOSH GALLERY COMMITTEE [Appendix V]

#### BG.08-104 Information Items Reported by the McIntosh Gallery Committee

The Report of the McIntosh Gallery Committee contained the following items that were received for information by unanimous consent:

- Size and Value of the University Art Collection
- McIntosh Estate
- Budget for 2008 -09
- Report of the Director

## BG.08-105 REPORT OF THE JOINT PENSION BOARDS [Appendix VI]

Ms. Koza provided an overview of the report of the Academic and Administrative Staff Pension Boards detailed in Appendix VI. Overhead slides used to highlight her presentation are attached as **Appendix 2.** The report covered the calendar year January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007 and provided an overview of the plans, reviewed changes made to the plan in 2007, described the projects underway at the end of the year and analyzed the impact of significant market events on the Western Retirement Plans.

#### **DEVELOPMENT & FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE**

#### BG.08-106 Campaign Plan 2007 - 2014

Ms. H. Connell and Ms. C. Stinson gave a presentation on the Campaign Plan 2007 - 2014 including the planning process, context for fundraising, and Western's Campaign, including goals and campaign communications. Overhead slides used to highlight the presentation are contained in **Appendix 3**.

Responding to a question about the current economic crisis, Ms. Stinson explained that donors will be asked to consider the needs of the University and to consider pledging a gift now but paying later. Many gift contributions are staggered over a number of years.

#### **ITEMS REFERRED BY SENATE**

#### BG.08-107 Affiliation Agreement: UWO, King's University College and St. Peter's Seminary

It was moved by J. White, seconded by K. Meighen,

That the Board of Governors approve the revisions to the Affiliation Agreement for The University of Western Ontario and King's University College and St. Peter's Seminary, as outlined in Appendix VIII, Annex 1.

**CARRIED** 

## BG.08-108 Vice-Provost's Annual Report on Faculty Recruitment and Retention

The Vice-Provost's Annual Report on Faculty Recruitment and Retention, detailed in Appendix VIII, Annex 2, was received for information. (Website: http://www.uwo.ca/pvp/facultyrelations)

Discussion included hiring of women faculty, implications resulting from the removal of mandatory

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retirement, and implications associated with increasing graduate student enrolment.

## BG.08-109 Information Items Report by Senate

Appendix VIII, Items Referred by Senate, contained the following items that were received for information by unanimous consent:

- Honorary Degrees Autumn Convocation 2008
- Amendments to Appointment Procedures for Senior Academic and Administrative Officers of the University
- Academic Administrative Appointments

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