

The UNIVERSITY of WESTERN ONTARIO

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SENATE

March 19, 2004

The meeting was held at 1:30 p.m. in Room 1R40, Richard Ivey School of Business.

SENATORS: 74

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Observers: L. Gribbon, D. Jameson, A. Katz, A. Weedon

By Invitation: G. Kulczycki

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S.04-51 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of February 20, 2004, were approved as circulated.

S.04-52 Data on Western's Record of First Choice Applications whose Grades are over 80% [S.04-30]

Professor Carroll recalled that at the last Senate meeting Dr. Moran advised that he would attempt to obtain and report at this meeting the data on Western's record of first choice applications from students whose grades were over 80%. He stated that he has been told that the Provost obtained the data, but the information will not come to Senate until next month through the Senate Committee on University Planning.

The Chair stated that the appropriate process for

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S.04-55 Fall 2004 Senate Election Schedule

Elections will be held for representatives of the undergraduate and graduate student, faculty and administrative staff constituencies this Fall. The election schedule appears on page 2 of the Report of the Senate Operations/Agenda Committee (Exhibit I).

ACADEMIC POLICY AND AWARDS [Exhibit II]

S.04-56 Faculty of Science: Honors Specialization in Clinical Biochemistry

On behalf of SCAPA, it was moved by J. Doerksen, seconded by W. Flintoff,

That an Honors Specialization in Clinical Biochemistry, detailed in Exhibit II, item 1, be introduced in the Faculty of Science, effective September 1, 2005.

CARRIED

S.04-57 Faculties of Science and Education: BSc Degree with an Honors Specialization in Science and Education

It was moved by J. Doerksen, seconded by P. Dean,

That a BSc degree with an Honors Specialization in Science and Education detailed 3.2(S)4.7(cgm rnt

CARRIED

That, contingent on approval by the Ontario Council of Graduate Studies of the renaming of the graduate programs in Plant Sciences and Zoology, Senate approve:

that admission to the MSc in Plant Sciences, MSc in Zoology, PhD in Plant Sciences and PhD in Zoology be discontinued, effective September 1, 2003;

that any new students enrolling in the graduate programs offered by the Department of Biology be enrolled in MSc and PhD programs in Biology;

that students currently enrolled in MSc and PhD graduate programs in Plant Sciences and Zoology be permitted to graduate in their intended degree program, but that the graduate degree programs in Plant Sciences and Zoology be withdrawn, effective June 2009.

CARRIED

S.04-61 Faculty of Graduate Studies Grading Scale

It was moved by J. Doerksen, seconded by E. Johanssen,

That the following grades be used consistently for all programs in the Faculty of Graduate Studies, effective September 2002:

Graduate Studies

А	80-100%
В	70-79%
С	60-69%
F	00-59%
I.	00-39%

CARRIED

S.04-62 Policy on Accommodations for Religious Holidays

It was moved by J. Doerksen, seconded by P. Dean,

That the policy on Accommodations for Religious Holidays be revised to clarify that "alternative means" for satisfying academic requirements may include Special Examinations arranged for by the Instructor (for tests) or the Dean (for mid-year and final examinations).

CARRIED

S.04-63 Policy on Student Academic Appeals

It was moved by J. Doerksen, seconded by P. Dean,

That the policy on Student Academic Appeals be revised as set out in Exhibit II, item 8, in order to clarify the procedure followed by the Senate Review Board Academic when deciding whether or not an oral hearing of an appeal should be scheduled.

CARRIED

S.04-64 **Policy on Graduation in Honors Programs**

It was moved by J. Doerksen, seconded by E. Johanssen,

That the policy for Graduation in Honors Programs be revised to parallel the requirements for Graduation from an Honors Degree with an Honors Specialization.

CARRIED

S.04-65 New Scholarships and Awards

SCAPA has approved on behalf of the Senate the following Terms of Reference for new awards,

S.04-70 **<u>REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC COLLEAGUE</u>** [Exhibit V]

The Report of the Academic Colleague on the 269th meeting of the Council of Ontario Universities detailed in Exhibit VI, was received for information. Topics discussed at the meeting included relations between Ontario's universities and the new Liberal government and applications to Ontario's universities.

S.04-71 ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS [Exhibit VI]

Announcements and Communications detailed in Exhibit VI, were received for information.

ENQUIRIES AND NEW BUSINESS

S.04-72 Senate Attendance

Professor Carroll recalled that each November Senators are reminded about the Senate attendance regulations at the Orientation Session and the attendance regulations are contained in the November Operations/Agenda Report. He observed that those attendance rules do not apply to ex officio members of Senate. He noted in particular that the Vice-President (External), a voting member of Senate, has not attended a Senate meeting in the past year. He asked what accounts for this poor attendance record, why poor attendance by an ex officio member of Senate is any less reprehensible for an ex officio member than for elected members, and whether the President would consider recommending to the Board of Governors that the Vice-President (External) become a non-voting member of Senate when the UWO Act is next considered for revision.

Dr. Davenport referred the questions to the Operations/Agenda Committee for consideration with the request that the Committee report back to Senate at the April meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

P. Davenport Chair J.K. Van Fleet Secretary

President's Report to Senate

- · CIHR and CFI Awards
- Post Doctoral Fellowship Survey
- Prime Minister's Round Table
- Meeting with Minister Chambers
- Helmuth Prizes
- March Open House

Dr. Paul Davenport March 19, 2004

Canadian Institutes of Health Research

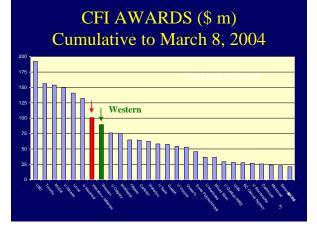
- ⁴ 22 research projects funded, \$11.1 million
- ^r Functional Architecture of Perception and Action (Mel Goodale).
- Pox Virus identification and targeting of host cells (Grant McFadden).
- ⁺ Cardiac dysfunction and septic shock (Quingping Feng).
- Protein interaction in Parkinson's Disease (Gary Shaw).
- Early detection of brain injury in newborns (Keith St. Lawrence).

Canada Foundation for Innovation

- ' 8 projects funded, \$34.1 million
- Biotron (\$11.3 million) Environmental research facility: Impact of Climate Change (Norm Huner).
- "Three Little Pigs" (\$2.75 million) Testing houses for damage due to natural hazards (Michael Bartlett).
- SHARCNET (\$19.3 million) high performance computing consortium (11 partners, led by Western).

Other CFI Projects

- Stats Can Research Data Centre (Rod Beaujot)
- Nanoscale Mechanical and Electrical Studies of Materials and Interfaces (Peter Norton)
- VESPERS Synchrotron Radiation (Stewart McIntyre)
- Soft X-ray Microcharacterization of Materials (T.K. Sham)
- Neutron Reflectometer (David Shoesmith and Jamie Noel)
- è Thanks for support to faculty from Greg Weiler, Fred Keenan, and the Research Programs Group.



Post-Doc Survey: Top Ten Advantages

- Comprehensive library collections
- Scientific career preparation
- ⁴ High-quality research tools
- ' Smooth communications in labs
- Quality research
- Supportive colleagues
- Well-maintained buildings
- Scientific mentoring
- ' Lab technical support
- University services

Top 15 Institutions Outside the United States

- 1. University of Alberta
- 2. University of Liverpool
- 3. Karolinska Institute
- 4. Utrecht University
- 5. Erasmus Medical Center
- 6. John Innes Centre
- 7. McGill University
- 8. University of Manchester
- 9. University of Edinburgh

- 10. University of Western Ontario
- 11. University College London
- 12. Leiden University Medical Center
- 13. University of Glasgow
- 14. University of Oxford
- 15. University of British Columbia

Prime Minister Paul Martin

Round Table on March 11 with invited participants from faculty, students, and community leaders.

- ⁴ Contribution of the University to the London community, to Ontario, and to Canada
- ⁴ Support of research: Humanities and Social Sciences, Science, Health and Medicine
- Key issues for research, such as aboriginal issues, municipal affairs
- ' Commercialization
- ' Student accessibility and student aid

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