



The UNIVERSITY of WESTERN ONTARIO

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SENATE

January 22, 2010

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

SENATORS: 73

I. Ajiferuke	S. Greenberg	M. Milde
A. Barnfield	A. Gupta	M. Naish
J. Barron	C. Hanycz	B. Neff
D. Bartlett	H. Hassan	D. Pennee
J. Berge	T. Hewitt	J. Polgar
I. Birrell	I. Holloway	R. Rajakumar
B. Blumer	M. Houde	P. Searle
C. Burns	B. Hovius	B. Sherar
N. Caldwell	A. Hrymak	D. Shrubsole
T. Carmichael	T. Jarman	S. Spaulding
A. Chakma	J.Y. Jiang	R. Stainton
A. Chant	M. Jones	C. Stephenson
H. Connell	E. Karakacili	A. Suksi
J. Corrigan	C. Keep	D. Sylvester
R. Coulter	M. Kehler	M. Tithecott
W. Danaher	G. Kopp	D. Ulbrych
J. Doerksen	G. Kulczycki	M. Van Gaalen
P. Doyle	F. Longstaffe	K. Veblen
C. Dunbar	H. Luckman	K. Wamsley
C. Ellis	S. Macfie	D. Wardlaw
J. Etherington	R. Macmillan	J. White
K. Galil	A. Mandich	C. Wilkins
J. Garnett	P. McKenzie	B. Wood
J. Gautier	J. McMullin	R. Young
		P. Yu

Observers: L. Gribbon, R. Lipson, G. Tigert, A. Weedon

By Invitation: M. Broadfoot, M. Workentin

S.10-01 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting of December 11, 2009 were approved as circulated.

S.10-02 REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

The President reported on issues related to the international, national, provincial, and campus scenes, including the Summer Study Abroad Program launched with the University of Tours, France, budget consultation with Minister Flaherty, the Institute for Competitiveness Annual Report, the Canada-US Institute, the new Vice-President (External) and the increase in the Ontario Secondary School Applications for Western and the Affiliated University Colleges. Overhead slides used to highlight his presentation are attached as [Appendix](#) .

REPORT OF THE OPERATIONS/AGENDA COMMITTEE [Exhibit I]

S.10-03 **Report of the ad hoc Subcommittee Review Committee for Honorary Degrees**

It was moved by T. Carmichael, seconded by R. Stainton,

That Senate approve the proposed amendments to the honorary degrees guidelines and criteria, as outlined in Exhibit I, Appendix 1.

CARRIED

S.10-04 **Senate Review Board Academic (SRBA) Annual Report**

The Senate Review Board Academic (SRBA) Annual Report for the 2008-09 academic year.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE [Exhibit II]

S.10-05 **Distinguished University Professor Selection Committee**

R. Vernon (SS) was elected to the Distinguished University Professor Selection Committee to complete the term of T. Rajan who has resigned (term to June 30, 2011).

REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC POLICY AND AWARDS [Exhibit III]

S.10-06 **Faculty of Science: Withdrawal of Biology Modules**

It was moved by D. Shrubsole, seconded by S. Macfie,

That effective September 1, 2010, admission to the following modules be discontinued in the Faculty of Science:

Honors Specialization in Animal Physiology
Honors Specialization in Cell and Developmental Biology
Honors Specialization in Comparative Physiology
Honors Specialization in Ecology and Evolution
Honors Specialization in Conservation Biology
Major in Conservation Biology

That students enrolled in the modules prior to September 1, 2010 be permitted to continue with the understanding that they must complete the requirements prior to September 2015.

That effective October 2015, the modules Tc .fuzation in Comparative Phys3iolonnd De008

S.10-08 **Faculty Law Revised Grading Rules**

It was moved by I. Holloway, seconded by D. Shrubsole,

That effective September 1, 2010, the Grading Rules in the Faculty of Law be revised as set out in Exhibit III, item 3.

CARRIED

S.10-09 **Policy on Senior Course Requirements in an Honors Bachelor Degree - Double Major**

It was moved by A. Chant, seconded by D. Shrubsole,

That effective September 1, 2010, for students entering an Honors Double Major degree, the policy on Senior Course Requirements in the Graduation Regulations section of the Academic Calendar be revised as set out in Exhibit III, item 4.

CARRIED

S.10-10 **New Scholarships and Awards**

Senate received for information the terms of reference for the following new scholarships, awards, prizes and bursaries, for recommendation to the Board of Governors through the President & Vice-Chancellor:

William E. and Ruth Lardner Graduate Award (School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, Civil & Environmental Engineering)
Ronnen Harary Award (Any Undergraduate Faculty)
Henry Goldentuler Scholarship (Faculty of Law)
Dale and Marion Creighton Football Scholarships (Any Undergraduate, Graduate or Affiliated University College Student – Athletic Award [Football])
Ellen Tiedje Memorial Award (Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry, Medicine)
Barbara Crook Journalism Entrance Scholarship (School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, Journalism)
Lionel Conacher Athletic Award (Any Undergraduate, Graduate or Affiliated University College Student - Athletic Award [Any Varsity Team])

S.10-11 **Update on the Notice of Motion regarding Remembrance Day** (S.09-193)

At the September 25, 2009 Senate meeting, a notice of motion regarding the observance of Remembrance Day was distributed at the meeting. The Chair of SCAPA agreed to take the notice of motion to SCAPA for consideration. SCAPA subsequently deferred consideration of this matter until further consultation could take place.

The Vice-Provost (Academic Programs and Students) [Registrar] advised SCAPA at its January 13 meeting that consultations have now been completed and a recommendation from the Associate Deans will be brought forward to the February SCAPA meeting.

REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY PLANNING [Exhibit IV]

S.10-12 **Fellowship for Teaching Innovation - Amendments to Terms**

It was moved by C. Dunbar, seconded by D. Pennee,

That effective with the Spring 2010 competition, the terms of reference of the University of Western Ontario Fellowship in Teaching Innovation be amended so that part-time faculty are eligible to hold the Fellowship.

Asked about the conflict between the term of the appointment and the award, should a part-time faculty receive the Fellowship, Doerksen said that logistics in such cases would be worked out between the Fellow and the Dean.

The question was called and CARRIED.

programs where the value may be higher.

- (d) The enrolment projections (Appendix 5) will be used for purposes of tuition revenue estimates in the University's budget projections.
4. The process for the Affiliated University College includes the following elements for 2010-11
- (a) General entrance requirements will not be set until more complete information on applicant qualifications is available.
 - (b) Offers will be extended to current Ontario high school students using the same process as described by the Constituent University.
 - (c) Each College will determine its own timelines for extending offers of admission and response dates.
 - (d) No student will be admitted to first-year study directly from the Ontario secondary school system with final grades below 75%, unless detailed academic assessment deems this appropriate.
 - (e) All Affiliated University Colleges will be bound to the minimum entrance requirements established by the Constituent University for limited enrolment programs, where applicable, including Media, Information & Technoculture, BHSc, and Kinesiology.

CARRIED

does not permit an admissions proposal that includes detailed program-specific admissions criteria to be brought to Senate for consideration before initial offers are made.

6. A final round of offers, based on complete grade information, will be made in May 2010. Criteria used for those offers will be set as a function of additional information on applicant qualifications, historical program-specific patterns of acceptance of early offers, and student responses to date, but will observe the general entrance requirements established in this recommendation.

S.10-16 **Graduate Enrollment Plans for the Faculties for 2010-11 to 2014-15**

Senate received for information the Graduate Enrollment Plans for the Faculties for 2010-11 to 2014-15, detailed in Appendix 6 (Tables 1-3).

S.10-17 **Report on Entering Averages and First-Year Grades**

A report on Entering Averages and First-Year Grades, detailed in Appendix 7, was received for information.

S.10-18 **REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC COLLEAGUE** [Exhibit V]

The report of the Academic Colleague, detailed in Exhibit V, was received for information.

S.10-19 **ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNICATIONS**

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

ADJOURNMENT

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Environmental Scan**

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