REPORT OF THE OPERATIONS/AGENDA COMMITTEE (EXHIBIT I)

S.12-03a Senate Membership – Faculty of Law

It was moved by A. Chakma, seconded by I Scott,

That the Senate seat held by Dr. Ben Hovius, representative of the Faculty of Law, be declared vacant as a result of his sabbatical leave and that Dr. Randal Graham be elected to complete his term until June 30, 2012,

and

That the Senate seat held by Dr. Tom Telfer, representative of the Faculty of Law, be declared vacant during Dr. Telfer's 6-month leave of absence and that Dr. Adam Parachin be elected to replace him until June 30, 2012. Dr. Telfer will return to Senate on July 1, 2012 to complete his term until June 30, 2013.

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A member raised three concerns:

a) Comparing the changed wording with the existing text, there is in fact no change as far as any high school admission requirements for Economics are concerned. In fact, the change that has been requested is a progression issue, not one pertaining to high school courses.

b) The proposed effective date adversely affects those first year students who enrolled in September 2011 and who have not included a course with a Calculus component in their first year course selections. Therefore, the earliest date for this change should be January 2013, so that students have a chance to pick up a Calculus course next autumn. In addition, as it is not explained at what point the Calculus knowledge is needed, it is unclear if it might be needed by Fall of year II, or whether Winter of year II might be sufficient.

c) It should be made clear what math course at Western will fulfill the requirement of "university-level math course".

Dean Timney agreed to withdraw the proposal and refer it back to SCAPA for clarification of these points.

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