

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

SEPTEMBER 6, 2012

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL held on September 6, 2012 at 8:30 a.m. in the Council Chamber, Simcoe Hall, University of Toronto.

Present:

Mr. Richard B. Nunn (In the Chair)
Ms Judy Goldring (Vice-Chair)
Ms. Alexis Archbold
Mr. James Bateman
Mr. P. C. Choo
Mr. Jeff Collins
Professor Elizabeth Cowper
Mr. Michael A. Donnelly
Mr. Aidan Fishman
Mr. Andrew Girgis
Professor William Gough
Professor Hugh Gunz
Ms. Zabeen Hirji
Professor Ellen Hodnett
Professor Edward Iacobucci
Ms. Claire Kennedy
Ms. Paulette L. Kennedy
Mr. Nykolaj Kuryluk
Professor Louise Lemieux-Charles
Mr. Aly-Khan Madhavji
Professor Michael Marrus
Professor Cheryl Misak
Professor C. David Naylor
Ms. Mainawati Rambali
Professor Andrea Sass-Kortsak
Mr. Howard Shearer
Professor Elizabeth M. Smyth
Miss Maureen J. Somerville
Professor Janice Gross Stein
Mr. W. John Switzer
Mr. Andrew Szende
Professor Steven J. Thorpe
Ms Rita Tsang
Professor Franco J. Vaccarino
Mr. Chirag Variawa
Ms B. Elizabeth Vosburgh
Mr. W. David Wilson
The Honourable Michael H. Wilson
Ms. Nana Zhou

Secretariat:

Mr. Louis R. Charpentier
Mr. Neil H. Dobbs
Ms. Sheree Drummond
Mr. Anwar Kazimi
Ms. Mae-Yu Tan
Ms Cristina Oke

Absent:

Professor Robert Baker
Mr. Brent S. Belzberg
Ms. Celina Rayonne Caesar-Chavannes
Professor Avrum Gotlieb
Mr. Steve (Suresh) Gupta
Ms. Shirley Hoy
Mr. Gary P. Mooney
Ms. Arlen Orellana
Ms N. Jane Pepino
Ms Melinda Rogers
Mr. W. Keith Thomas
Dr. Sarita Verma

In Attendance:

Ms Lucy Fromowitz, Assistant Vice-President, Student
Ms. Nora Gillespie, Legal Counsel, Office of the Vice-President, Human Resources & Equity and
Office of the Vice-President and Provost
Dr. Anthony Gray, Director, Strategic Initiatives & Research
Dr. Jane Harrison, Director, Academic Policy and Programs
Professor Angela Hildyard, Vice-President, Human Resources and Equity
Professor Scott Mabury, Vice-President, University Operations
Professor Jill Matus, Vice-Provost, Students
Ms Gillian Morrison, Assistant Vice-President, Divisional Relations and Campaigns
Mr. Steve Moate, Senior Legal Counsel, Office of the President
Mr. David Palmer, Vice-President, Advancement
Professor Cheryl Regehr, Vice-Provost, Academic Programs
Ms. Archana Sridhar, Assistant Provost
Professor Luc Tremblay, University of Toronto Faculty Association
Professor Paul Young, Vice-President, Research and Innovation

1. Senior Appointment

IN ACCORDANCE WITH A DETERMINATION BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 38 OF BY-LAY NUMBER 2 OF THE GOVERNING COUNCIL, ITEM 1 ON THE AGENDA WAS CONSIDERED BY THE GOVERNING COUNCIL *IN CAMERA*.

On motion, duly moved, seconded, and carried.

Be It Resolved:

THAT the following recommendation be endorsed and forwarded to the Governing Council for approval.

THAT Mr. David Palmer be reappointed as Vice-President, Advancement for a term starting September 6, 2012 and extending not less than 12 months and not more than 18 months into the term of the next President.

THE GOVERNING COUNCIL MOVED INTO OPEN SESSION.

2. Chair's Welcoming Remarks

The Chair welcomed new and returning members to the first meeting of the Governing Council for the governance year 2012-13.

The Chair announced that the Lieutenant Governor had issued the order that Mr. Jeff Collins and Ms. Claire Kennedy be appointed to the University of Toronto Governing Council for a period of three years, effective July 18, 2012.

The Chair noted that a speaking request had been received from an individual and that the request was declined as the matter was an admissions issue and as such within the purview of the administration.

3. Report of the President

The President welcomed new and returning members. He expressed his gratitude for their important commitment of time to governance and indicated that he looked forward to working together over the next sixteen months.

The President drew governors' attention to an opinion piece in *The Hill Times* that he had authored entitled *Innovation in Canada: Pitfalls and Potential*.¹

He provided a high-level overview of the current provincial context, with specific focus on the financial stringency facing the province, the consultation process that began over the summer under the leadership of Minister Glen Murray, and the funding challenges for post-secondary institutions. He also spoke to the challenge posed by the institution's substantial pension deficit, as well as the anticipated challenges resulting from provincial directives on compensation.

The President also spoke briefly to the challenges on the federal front, specifically on the research and innovation agenda; to the Boundless campaign and the fact that it was seeing an uptick in its second year; and to the issue of the potential aggregation of asset managers further to the proposal outlined in the 2012 Ontario Budget (John Switzer is chairing an internal group considering this matter).

There were no questions for the President.

CONSENT AGENDA

On motion, duly moved, seconded, and carried,

It was Resolved

THAT the consent agenda be adopted and that the items be approved.

4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting of June 25, 2012

The minutes of the June 25, 2012 were approved.

5. Business Arising from the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

There was no business arising from the previous meeting.

6. Reports for Information

Members received the following reports for information:

- a. Report on Approvals Under Summer Executive Authority
- b. Report Number 448 of the Executive Committee (June 25, 2012)

7. Date of the Next Meeting

¹ <http://www.president.utoronto.ca/secure-content/uploads/2012/08/The-Hill-Times-Aug-6-2012-p-7.pdf>

The Chair reminded the members that the next meeting of the Governing Council was scheduled for Tuesday, October 30, 2012 at 4:30 p.m.

8. Question Period

There were no questions raised.

9. Other Business

- (a.) Professor William Gough, Chair of the Elections Committee, was invited to provide an update on the process for examining the distribution of elected seats within the Governing Council's faculty, staff and student estates.

He reported that:

- The Elections Committee had undertaken to review and, as appropriate, recommend enhancements to the election processes for the Council and to examine the distribution of elected seats within the faculty, staff and student estates.
- It would be developing some options with respect to the distribution of these seats and would seek input and advice from the University community.
- It would also be examining and making recommendations regarding the UTM and UTSC Campus Councils and their election processes. A proposal would be distributed broadly.
- The Committee would carefully review all input and report on the progress of its work and general directions at the Governing Council meeting of October 30, 2012.
- Governing Council approval for both specific recommendations and the 2013 Election Guidelines would then be sought at the December 13, 2012 Council meeting.

- (b.) The President acknowledged that this was the new Chancellor's first Governing Council meeting and noted that the previous day Mr. Wilson had attended the opening of the Rotman School of Management expansion, his first university event in his capacity as Chancellor.

The meeting adjourned at 9:46 a.m.

Secretary

Chair

September 27, 2012