

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO  
THE GOVERNING COUNCIL  
**REPORT NUMBER 183 OF**  
**THE UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS BOARD**

**September 30, 2014**

To the Governing Council,  
University of Toronto.

Your Board reports that it met on Tuesday, September 30, 2014 at 4:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber, Simcoe Hall, with the following members present:

Mr. Andrew Szende, Chair  
Ms Alexandra Harris, Vice-Chair  
Professor Jill L. Matus, Vice-Provost,  
Students & First-Entry Divisions  
Ms Alexis Archbold  
Mr. Marc Arnold  
Ms Arlene Clement  
Mr. Ben Coleman  
Mr. David Reid Dobell  
Ms Katie Dunlop  
Ms Lucy Fromowitz  
Ms Susan Froom  
Mr. Andrew Girgis  
Mr. Gary D. Goldberg  
Ms Sue Graham-Nutter  
Professor Ira Jacobs  
Dr. Joseph Leydon  
Mr. Craig Maniscalco  
Ms Yerusha Nuh  
Ms Rita O'Brien  
Mr. Anamjit Singh Sivia  
Professor Elizabeth Smyth  
Professor Salvatore M. Spadafora  
Ms Cheryl Ziegler-Davison

**Non-Voting Assessors:**

Mr. Mark Overton, Dean of Student Affairs,  
University of Toronto Mississauga (UTM)  
Ms Meredith Strong, Director, Office of the  
Vice-Provost, Students and Student Policy  
Advisor

**Secretariat:**

Mr. Patrick McNeill, Acting Secretary

**Regrets:**

Ms. Christine E. Burke  
Professor Angela Hildyard  
Mr. Malcolm Lawrie  
Ms. Anne E. MacDonald  
Mr. Desmond Pouyat

Professor Cheryl Regehr  
Mr. Mark Henry Rowswell  
Professor Janice Gross Stein  
Mr. Ron Swail

**In Attendance:**

Ms Anita Comella, Assistant Dean, Co-Curricular Physical Activity and Sport, KPE

Ms Joan Griffin, Assistant Director, Office of the Vice-Provost, Students and First-Entry Programs

Mr. Adam Kuhn, Assistant Director, Office of Student Life

Mr. Mike LeSage, Coordinator, Student Policy Initiatives, Office of the Vice-Provost, Students and First-Entry Programs

Mr. David Newman, Assistant Director, Office of Student Life

ITEMS 4 AND 9 ARE PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL AND ALL OTHER ITEMS ARE REPORTED FOR INFORMATION.

**1. Welcome and Orientation**

The Chair welcomed members to the first meeting of the University Affairs Board for the 2014-15 governance year and invited them to introduce themselves. He also invited the Assessors to introduce any staff members present who assist with the work of the Board.

The Chair continued with a presentation on the structure of the Governing Council and its related Boards and Committees. He discussed the Board's areas of responsibility, make-up, leadership, main functions and responsibilities.

Professor Matus provided an overview of her portfolio and priorities for 2014-15. She noted that there would be standing items that would come before the Board for information or approval (e.g., annual reports and operating plans, requests for fee increases, etc.). In addition, other items such as the results of the 2014 National Survey on Student Engagement (NSSE) and the framework and strategy for Student Mental Health would be presented.

She invited representatives from the following units to present a summary of the services and priorities of their units: Student Life Programs and Services, St. George; Hart House; Student Affairs and Services, University of Toronto Scarborough (UTSC); Student Affairs and Services, University of Toronto Mississauga (UTM); and, the Faculty of Kinesiology and Physical Education, Co-curricular and Physical Activity Programming.

The Chair thanked Professor Matus and the representatives from the various student life portfolios for their presentation.

**2. Calendar of Business: 2014-15**

The Chair referred members to the Calendar of Business and noted that it would be updated online every Friday.

**3. Summer Executive Authority: Annual Report on UAB Approvals**

The Chair noted that there were no approvals under Summer Executive Authority.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

On motion duly moved, seconded, and carried

YOUR BOARD APPROVED

THAT the consent agenda be adopted and the items approved.

**4. Report of the Previous Meeting, Report Number 182, May 27, 2014**

Report Number 182 (May 27, 2014) was approved.

**5. Business Arising from the Report of the Previous Meeting**

There was no business arising from the report of the previous meeting.

**6. Date of Next Meeting: Thursday, November 6, 2014 at 4:30 p.m.**

**7. Report of the Senior Assessor**

Professor Matus' Report focused on two items of interest:

Student Summit: The Provost will present her administrative response to Governing Council at the next meeting. The administrative response to the Report will emphasize the importance of democratic principles and good governance, and may recommend possible Policy development to enshrine such principles.

Student Commons: At the Governing Council meeting held on September 11, 2014, the Provost stated “that she would be recommending to the Executive Committee that it consider whether the time had come to put the Student Commons Agreement on the agenda for consideration by Governing Council at one of its upcoming meetings. The Provost also stated that she would be recommending to Executive Committee that it consider including an educational session about the Student Commons Agreement at an upcoming Governing Council meeting to ensure Governors have a good understanding of how the proposed Agreement operates and its various elements.”

**8. Other Business**

The Chair noted that, in advance of the next meeting, there would be a call for nominations for the Striking Committee.

The Board moved *in camera*

*IN CAMERA*

**9. Appointments: Chair, Council on Student Services (COSS)**

On motion duly moved, seconded and carried

YOUR BOARD APPROVED

THAT Ms. Raina Rambali be appointed Chair of the Council on Student Services, effective immediately until April 30, 2015, as outlined in the memo by Professor Jill Matus, Vice-Provost, Students and First Entry Divisions.

The Board returned to open session

The meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

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Acting Secretary

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Chair

Wednesday, October 1, 2014