

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

Ms Rita O'Brien, Chief Administrative Officer, Hart House

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.

Acting Secretary

Chair

Wednesday, October 1, 2014