

University of Toronto

BUSINESS AFFAIRS

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AGENDA ITEM: 5

ITEM IDENTIFICATION:

Service Ancillary budgets

JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:

The Business Board is responsible for monitoring matters affecting the business affairs of the university and for review of reports affecting the financial operations of the University. The board is specifically responsible for policy on ancillary operations and for monitoring the business ancillaries.

PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

The University Affairs Board approves the budgets of the Service ancillaries, after a full review by the Service Ancillary Review Group. These budgets were submitted for review and approval by UAB at their meeting of March 16.

HIGHLIGHTS:

The Service Ancillaries are responsible for almost half of the debt issued by the University of Toronto, largely to finance construction of new residences. On an operating basis, the group is close to a breakeven position and we expect them to move into consistently profitable operations in the next year or two.

FINANCIAL AND/OR PLANNING IMPLICATIONS:

The report provides an overview of operations that are critical to the student experience and the "life" of the University. They have become significant business operations over the past decade, taking on large debt obligations and are managing their operations under the guidelines provided. They have a minimal impact on the operating budget at this time.

RECOMMENDATION:

For information only.

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