



TO: Planning and Budget Committee

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AGENDA ITEM: 3

ITEM IDENTIFICATION: *Towards 2030: The View from 2012 – A Framework*

JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION

Pursuant to section 4.1 of the Planning and Budget Committee *Terms of Reference*, the Committee is responsible for policy on planning. The Committee reviews and makes recommendations on the University's general planning framework. Specific areas in which recommendations are made to the Academic Board include:

- policy on the organization of planning;
- statements of the University's mission or general objectives;
- statements of multi-year University principles and objectives for academic planning;
- guidelines for divisional academic plans;
- statements of general divisional objectives;
- enrolment plans and policies;
- long-range planning and/or (operating and capital) budget guidelines;
- strategic planning framework for research.

PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN

On October 23, 2008 Governing Council approved in principle *Towards 2030: A Third Century of Excellence at the University of Toronto*.

On November 12, 2009 the Academic Board reviewed for information *Academic Planning in the context of Towards 2030* which set out the rationale and process of academic planning for faculties. The new process aligned academic planning with the decanal term (i.e., normally plans are to be developed within two years of a new dean coming into place or within a year of decanal reappointment).

HIGHLIGHTS

Towards 2030: A Third Century of Excellence at the University of Toronto set out long term and overarching goals for the University with respect to matters such as enrolment, the student experience, the three campus model, resources, funding models, and university governance.

Towards 2030: The View from 2012 assesses the University's progress towards these long-term goals and identifies the new and ongoing challenges and opportunities that may be ahead. It is the culmination of an extensive consultation process with the University of Toronto community including over 40 meetings - town halls on each of the three campuses, sessions with faculty, students, staff, governors, academic administrators, and alumni. Written submissions were also received.

Towards 2030: The View from 2012 is divided into two documents. The first, *Towards 2030: The View from 2012 – A Framework* highlights the achievements to date and the new and continuing challenges. The *Framework* is what is being brought forward for approval in principle by governance. The second document, *Towards 2030: The View from 2012 – An Assessment of the University of Toronto's Progress Since Towards 2030* provides a more detailed analysis of the 2012 context and our progress to date in the areas outlined by *Towards 2030*.

BUDGETARY IMPLICATIONS

None.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Planning & Budget Committee recommend to the Academic Board

THAT *Towards 2030: The View from 2012 – A Framework*, dated March 28, 2012, be approved in principle.