

THE GOVERNING COUNCIL
REPORT NUMBER 90 OF
THE PLANNING AND BUDGET COMMITTEE

June 17, 2003

To the Academic Board,
University of Toronto.

Your Committee reports that it held a special meeting on Tuesday, June 17, 2003, at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chamber, Simcoe Hall, with the following members present

Professor Avrum Gotlieb (In the Chair)
Professor Susan Horton (Vice-Chair)
Professor Shirley Neuman, Vice-President
and Provost
Professor Michael Berkowitz
Professor Philip H. Byer
Professor Paul J. Halpern
Professor Edith Hillan
Professor Bruce Kidd
Ms. Karen Lewis
Professor Ian McDonald
Professor David Mock
Mr. Colm Murphy
Professor Pekka Sinervo

Non-voting Assessors:

Mr. John Bisanti, Chief Capital Projects
Officer
Ms. Sheila Brown, Acting Chief Financial
Officer and Director of Financial
Services
Professor Ron Venter, Vice-Provost,
Space and Facilities Planning

Secretariat:

Mr. Neil Dobbs
Mrs. Beverley Stefureak, Secretary

Regrets:

Professor Derek McCammond
Mr. Felix Chee
Ms. Shirley Hoy
Professor John F. MacDonald
Professor Ian Orchard

Mr. Joshua Paterson
Mr. Timothy Reid
Professor J. J. Berry Smith
Mr. Nick Turk-Browne

In Attendance:

Ms. Katherine Anne Boyd, Chief Administrative Officer, University College
Professor David Farrar, Vice-Provost, Students
Mr. Ashley Morton, President, Students' Administrative Council
Professor Paul Perron, Principal, University College

ITEMS 2 AND 3 ARE RECOMMENDED TO THE ACADEMIC BOARD FOR APPROVAL.

1. Report of the Previous Meeting

Report Number 89 of May 13, 2003 was approved.

2. Capital Project: University College Residence – Change of Scope

Professor Venter reviewed his memorandum of June 6, 2003 (attached hereto as Appendix “A”) outlining the background to this project and what was currently proposed. Using a PowerPoint presentation (attached hereto as Appendix “B”), he illustrated residence expansion on the St. George campus, photographs and architectural renderings of residences that were currently under construction, an architectural drawing of the proposed University College residence, numbers of residence beds (current and projected to be available) and details of the proposed University College residence.

In discussion that followed, Professor Neuman explained that revenue from the residence fees, set at the competitive monthly rate, would cover the annual operating budget of the ancillary, including the financing of the mortgage, and allow for an accumulation of funds to address other infrastructure requirements. This was consistent with the ancillary model whereby revenue to the ancillary covered all operating and capital expenses of the operation.

A member asked about the level of confidence for achieving the additional \$2 million in external fund-raising. Professor Neuman indicated that there was a high level of certainty that this funding would be achieved. Professor Perron added that the major gift of \$6 million had great significance in that it allowed the project to proceed with a lower mortgage, which in turn provided the opportunity for operating revenue that could be used to upgrade some of the older facilities in the University College residence ancillary.

A member asked whether the architects had looked at the shading effects of a tall building on this site. Professor Venter replied that careful attention had been given to this matter and that the design proposed was considered to be the most effective.

A member asked about the heritage easement agreements with the City. Mr. Bisanti reported that he had signed a heritage agreement on Monday for the Fitzgerald Building and that the equivalent matter, as it relates to the Sir Daniel Wilson residence in the context of the proposed University College residence, should be completely resolved within the next month. In the meantime, there was nothing that should impact activity on the site.

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS

1. THAT the Revised Project Planning Report for the new University College Residence be approved in principle.
2. THAT the project scope totaling some 9329 gross square meters, will allow for the construction of a residence building on the approved Site 22.
3. THAT conditions to all municipal approvals be negotiated in order to gain minor variance permissions to build on Site 22.
4. THAT the funding arrangements, including furnishings and finance costs, for the University College residence expansion be approved at an estimated cost of \$24,039,382 to \$25,539,382 with the funding as follows:

2. Capital Project: University College Residence – Change of Scope (cont'd)

- (i) \$8,000,000 externally secured contribution received for the UC residence expansion,
- (ii) An additional \$2,000,000 to be secured from additional external fund-raising by University College.
- (iii) \$1,485,000 contribution from the UC residence ancillary
- (iv) \$800,000 contribution provided by the UC food service ancillary
- (v) \$50,000 allocation from the University Infrastructure Investment Fund in support of space for the Drama Program.
- (vi) A mortgage to be amortized over a period of 25 years in the range of \$11,705,000 to \$13,205,000, with payments forthcoming from residence revenues and the UC ancillary.

**3. School of Graduate Studies: Graduate Department of Anatomy and Cell Biology – Disestablishment
School of Graduate Studies: M.Sc. and Ph.D. programs in Anatomy and Cell Biology – Discontinuation**

The Chair referred members to Professor McCammond's memorandum of June 10, 2003 (attached hereto as Appendix "C") proposing the disestablishment of the Graduate Department of Anatomy and Cell Biology and the discontinuation of the Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy programs in Anatomy and Cell Biology. Professor McCammond was unable to be at the meeting, but Professor Neuman was prepared to respond to questions. There were no questions.

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS

- (1) THAT the Graduate Department of Anatomy and Cell Biology be disestablished effective July 1, 2003 and,
- (2) THAT the Master of Science and Doctor of Philosophy programs in Anatomy and Cell Biology be discontinued effective July 1, 2003.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

Secretary

June 18, 2003

Chair