

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO
THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

REPORT NUMBER 71 OF THE ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

June 9, 2014

To the Executive Committee,
University of Toronto.

Your Committee reports that it met on Monday, June 9, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. in the Falconer Room, Room 107C, Simcoe Hall, with the following members present:

Professor Bill Gough (Chair)
Ms Alexis Archbold
Mr. Rastko Cvekic
Ms Claire Kennedy*
Mr. Nick Kuryluk

Secretariat:

Mr David Walders, Secretary
Mr. Anwar Kazimi, Chief Returning Officer

Ms Cindy Ferencz-Hammond*
Ms Amorell Saunders-N'Daw*

*Participated by teleconference.

In this report all items are reported to the Executive Committee for information.

1. [Report for the 2014 Elections for the Governing Council, the Academic Board, University of Toronto Mississauga and University of Toronto Scarborough Campus Councils and their Standing Committees](#)

Mr. Anwar Kazimi, Chief Returning Officer, reported that, despite the complexity and multi-faceted nature of the 2014 elections, the process ran smoothly and was successfully completed.

There were no questions from members.

2. [Proposed Changes to the Distribution of Seats and Length of Terms on the UTM and UTSC Campus Council and their Standing Committees](#)

The Chair provided an overview of the proposed changes:

Campus Councils

Teaching Staff

- It was proposed to revise seat allocations to one teaching staff governor seat (appointed) and five non-governor teaching staff seats (elected).
- This would resolve the existing uncertainty about the number of seats available each year for elected, non-governor teaching staff numbers, as the number of seats would no longer be linked.
- For the first year of implementation (2015-2016), the length of terms for the five non-governor teaching staff seats would be staggered, removing the uncertainty surrounding seat allocation.

Administrative Staff

- It was proposed to revise seat allocations to one non-Governing Council administrative staff seat (elected) and one non-Governing Council librarian seat (elected).
- Ultimately, each seat would be for three-year term, but during implementation phase, one seat would be for a two-year term, to allow for continuity.

Academic Affairs Committees

- Since the teaching staff estate had multiple seats, it was proposed that the lengths of terms for 15(UTSC) and 16 (UTM) elected, non-Campus Council teaching staff members be staggered in 2015-2016 to ensure continuity of membership.
- The concern of having to stagger three-year terms for administrative staff and librarians on the Academic Affairs Committees was not applicable, as each constituency had only one seat for non-Campus Council members.

Campus Affairs Committees

- It was proposed that the Campus Council community membership of the Campus Affairs Committee be altered to 0-2 Governor(s) and 2-0 Non-Governor(s).
- Similarly, it was proposed that the Campus Council teaching staff membership of the Campus Affairs Committees be altered to 0-1 Governor 2-0 Non-Governor in order to remove the requirement that the teaching staff governor serve on the Campus Affairs Committee.

Seats for students would not be changed as part of the proposed changes.

There were no questions from members.

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On motion duly made, seconded and carried

It was Recommended

THAT the Governing Council approve the proposed changes to the distribution of seats and length of terms on the UTM and UTS Campus Councils and their Standing Committees, as outlined in the memorandum from the Chair of the Elections Committee dated June 9, 2014.

CONSENT AGENDA

3. Report of the Previous Meeting - [Report Number 70](#) (October 10, 2013)

The report of the previous meeting was approved.

4. Business Arising from the Report of the Previous Meeting

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

5. Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 15, 2014, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

6. Other Business

The Chair thanked members for their contributions over the past year, and expressed appreciation for the guidance provided.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Secretary
June 10, 2014

Chair