# UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

# THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

# **REPORT NUMBER 345 OF**

# THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

## Monday, March 25, 2002

To the Governing Council, University of Toronto.

Your Committee reports that it held a meeting on Monday, March 25, 2002 at 4:30 p.m. in the Board Room, Simcoe Hall, with the following members present:

Ms Wendy M. Cecil (In the Chair)	Mrs. Susan M. Scace
Professor Robert J. Birgeneau, President	Ms Heather Schramm
Dr. Robert Bennett	Dr. Thomas Simpson
Mrs. Mary Anne V. Chambers	-
Professor Brian Corman	Non-Voting Member:
Professor W. Raymond Cummins	-
Professor Brian Langille	Mr. Louis R. Charpentier
Ms Karen Lewis	
Mr. Gerald A. Lokash	Secretariat:
Dr. Joseph L. Rotman	Ms Cristina Oke

**Regrets:** 

Mr. Kashif Pirzada

#### In Attendance:

Professor Jack Carr, Chair, Academic Board Dr. John Nestor, Chair, University Affairs Board Mr. Amir Shalaby, Chair, Business Board Mr. David Melville, Member, Governing Council Professor Adel Sedra, Member, Governing Council and Vice-President and Provost Mr. Felix Chee, Vice-President, Business Affairs Dr. Beata FitzPatrick, Director of the Office of the President and Assistant Vice-President

The Chairman, on behalf of the Committee, wished the President best wishes for his birthday. The Chairman congratulated Dr. Thomas Simpson on his election as Chair of the Governing Council for 2002-03.

#### Add to the Agenda

On motion duly moved and seconded, the consideration of a senior appointment was added to the agenda.

#### Vary the Agenda

On motion duly moved and seconded, the order of the agenda was varied to allow the President to report *in camera*, and to discuss follow-up to the disruption of the February 14<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Governing Council *in camera*.

The Chairman noted that, pursuant to section 28 (e) and 33 of *By-law Number 2*, consideration of items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 would take place *in camera*, with the Board Chairs invited to remain.

On motion duly moved and seconded,

IT WAS RESOLVED

THAT, pursuant to sections 28 (e) and (f) of By-Law Number 2, consideration of agenda items 1 and 2 and part of the President's Report take place *in camera*, with the Board Chairs, Professor Sedra, Mr. Chee, and Dr. FitzPatrick admitted to the meeting to facilitate the work of the Committee.

#### 1. Senior Appointment

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE ENDORSED AND FORWARDED

to the Governing Council for consideration the recommendation

THAT the senior appointment as outlined in the memorandum from the President, dated March 22, 2002, be approved.

YOUR COMMITTEE APPROVED

THAT pursuant to Section 38 and 40 of By-Law Number 2, this recommendation be considered by the Governing Council *in camera*.

#### 2. Code of Behaviour on Academic Matters: Recommendation for Expulsion

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE APPROVED

THAT the recommendation for expulsion contained in the memorandum from the Secretary of the Governing Council dated March 19, 2002, be placed on the agenda for the April 5, 2002 meeting of the Governing Council, and

YOUR COMMITTEE APPROVED

THAT pursuant to Section 38 of By-Law Number 2, this recommendation be considered by the Governing Council *in camera*.

## 3. Report Number 43 of the Committee on Honorary Degrees

The President presented the Report on behalf of the Chancellor.

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE ENDORSED AND FORWARDED

to the Governing Council for consideration the recommendation

THAT the recommendations contained in Report Number 43 of the Committee for Honorary Degrees be approved.

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE APPROVED

THAT Report Number 43 of the Committee for Honorary Degrees be considered by the Governing Council *in camera*.

The Chairman reminded members that the names of the nominees were strictly confidential until they had received the approval of the Governing Council and until the President had reported back on the disposition of the offers.

#### 4. External Appointment

The Chairman recalled that the Committee had considered the appointment of Mr. Leo N. Steven to the S&WCHSC Board by an email ballot process, in light of the fact that the Hospital wished to announce the appointment. Under the terms of the affiliation agreement between Sunnybrook and Women's College Health Sciences Centre and the University of Toronto, the selection of the C.E.O. was the responsibility of the Hospital's Board; however, the appointment was not effective until the person had been appointed by the University to the S&WCHSC Board.

The proposal had been supported by the members with no dissenting votes.

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE APPROVED

THAT Mr. Leo N. Steven be appointed to the Sunnybrook and Women's College Health Sciences Centre Board effective as early as March 31, 2002 and no later than July 2, 2002.

#### 5. President's Report

The President reported on several matters.

### 6. Other Business

## a) Disruption of Meeting of the Governing Council on February 14, 2002

The Committee discussed the disruption of the February 14 meeting of the Governing Council. It was the sense of the Committee that it was important to communicate the serious nature of the matter to those members of the campus community who had interfered with the ability of the Governing Council to conduct its business.

The Secretary of the Governing Council was asked to write to four individuals noting that such disruptions were unacceptable. In addition, the Committee determined that video cameras would not be permitted in the Council Chamber for future meetings.

Members of the Executive Committee also directed the Secretary to implement a system of ticketing for non-members for future Governing Council meetings.

THE COMMITTEE MOVED INTO CLOSED SESSION.

#### 7. Reports of the Previous Meetings

Reports Number 343 and 344 of the Executive Committee meetings held on February 4 and February 14, 2002 were approved.

#### 8. Business Arising from the Reports of the Previous Meetings

There were no items of business arising from the previous meetings.

#### 9. Minutes of the Governing Council Meeting held on February 14, 2002

There were no questions or comments on the Minutes of the Governing Council meeting held on February 14, 2002.

Consideration of the Notice of Motion as Business Arising from the Governing Council meeting was deferred until the arrival of the member who had given the Notice of Motion.

#### 10. Report of the President

#### (a) Chairman of the Governing Council, 2002-03

The President extended his congratulations to Dr. Thomas Simpson on his election as the next Chairman of the Governing Council.

#### (b) Settlement with Graduate Assistants

The President reported that, under the leadership of Professor Hildyard, a three-year agreement had been reached with members of CUPE 3907, representing Graduate Assistants at OISE/UT.

## **10. Report of the President** (cont'd)

#### (c) Canada Foundation for Innovation (CFI)

The President noted that the University had decided to appeal the CFI decision on the major psychology project. The project had been highly rated by both an expert committee and a non-expert committee, yet was unsuccessful in obtaining funding.

#### (d) New Structure of Academic Administration for the Three Campuses

The President informed members that a discussion paper on a new administrative framework as appropriate to the planned expansion of the University of Toronto at Mississauga (UTM) and the University of Toronto at Scarborough (UTSC) had been released. The President, Professor Sedra and Professor Tuohy, would be meeting with the Councils at the two campuses to discuss the proposed framework, as well as with the Chairs and Principals of Arts and Science and the General Committee of Arts and Science, as well as with other divisions as appropriate.

A member commended the authors of the discussion paper and asked when the necessary constitutional and calendar amendments would be considered. Professor Sedra indicated that it was intended that the necessary amendments would come forward for consideration in governance this spring.

#### (e) Municipal Relations

The President noted that there had been a positive article in the *Toronto Star* highlighting the University's 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations. He also noted media articles dealing with the purchase of the Medical Arts Building by the University.

#### (f) Retired Female Faculty

The President reported that the University was engaged in a mediation process.

#### (g) 2002-03 Budget and Tuition Fee Schedule

The President noted that the University's budget and tuition fee schedule for 2002-03 would be moving through governance in April, and would be considered by the Executive Committee on April 24, and by the Governing Council on May 2. He also noted that Sheldon Levy, Ian Orchard and he had met with leaders of student governments to hear some of their concerns.

A member indicated that some members wanted to vote on tuition fees by faculty rather than on the schedule as a whole. Professor Sedra indicated that, because the tuition schedule is intricately linked to the budget, it was not possible to proceed this way. He had agreed, however, in discussion with student members of the Governing Council, that he would be prepared to compartmentalize discussion on separate parts of the tuition fee schedule.

## 10. Report of the President (cont'd)

### (g) 2002-03 Budget and Tuition Fee Schedule (cont'd)

A member noted that the off-line session on tuition fees organized by the alumni members of the Governing Council in February had provided an opportunity for members of the Council to ask questions about tuition fees.

A member reminded the Committee that the University's tuition fee policy and its student aid policy were complementary and suggested that this was sometimes lost in the tuition fee debate. The member suggested that more effective communication was needed concerning the student financial aid policy in place at the University.

A member suggested that documentation on regulated fees, deregulated fees and significant changes to the tuition schedule be arranged accordingly to facilitate discussion.

## 11. Business Arising from the Governing Council Meeting

#### (a) Arising from Item 24: Notice of Motion

The Chairman recalled that a member of the Governing Council had given notice of the following motion:

Be it resolved that the Governing Council implement a tuition fee freeze for the 2002-2003 session and that the Governing Council strike a committee to research, design and forward recommendation for the implementation of a program for the elimination of all tuition fees at the University of Toronto.

At the invitation of the Chairman, Mr. Charpentier reminded members that the role of the Executive Committee was to decide whether or not to place the item on the agenda of the Governing Council.

The President indicated that, in his view, the motion was unnecessary. The issue would be discussed at the Governing Council meeting of May 2, 2002 when the tuition schedule was considered for approval.

Professor Sedra noted that tuition fees constituted a major source of revenue for the University, and that a tuition freeze for 2002-03 would result in the need for an additional 2.7% budget reduction in the University's operating budget.

# 11. Business Arising from the Governing Council Meeting

## (a) Arising from Item 24: Notice of Motion (cont'd)

At the invitation of the Chairman, the member who had made the notice of motion stated that the motion reflected the wish of students that there be a discussion of the implementation of a tuition freeze. The member referred to the Statistics Canada report that had been included as background information with the notice of motion. This report summarized trends in participation in and accessibility to university education.

A member of the Committee noted that there was no reference to the University of Toronto's student financial aid policy in the material that had been provided. The member suggested that the figures in the report reflected the fact that the majority of institutions did not have comprehensive student financial aid provisions in place.

On motion duly moved and seconded,

### YOUR COMMITTEE APPROVED

THAT the following motion **not** be placed on the agenda of the next Governing Council meeting:

Be it resolved that the Governing Council implement a tuition fee freeze for the 2002-2003 session and that the Governing Council strike a committee to research, design and forward recommendations for the implementation of a program for the elimination of all tuition fees at the University of Toronto.

#### 12. Items for Endorsement and Forwarding to the Governing Council

(a) Arising from Report Number 105 of the University Affairs Board – February 26, 2002

## Item 3. University of Toronto Police Policy

Dr. Nestor noted that the University Affairs Board had responsibility for policy on campus security and for recommending new policy or major changes to Governing Council. Following a review of the St. George Police Services in 2000, the Board had requested that the administration develop a policy on policing. In developing the policy, the administration had consulted with the Police Community Advisory Board at St. George campus and with the suburban campus police services. The Board had considered and had strongly supported the policy on February 26, requesting only that the wording under the implementation section be amended to reflect the reality of three police services.

A member asked what the meaning of 'equitable' was, in the phrase 'safe, secure and equitable environment' used in the mandate of the policy. Dr. Nestor noted his understanding that the meaning was 'to treat everyone fairly'.

A member inquired whether the phrase 'to ensure University policies and regulations are followed'- the 6<sup>th</sup> point under objectives - should be qualified to indicate that only those policies that apply to safety and security were specified. It was noted that the objectives were meant to reflect the mandate of the policy.

## **12.** Items for Endorsement and Forwarding to the Governing Council (cont'd)

### Item 3. University of Toronto Police Policy (cont'd)

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE ENDORSED AND FORWARDED

to the Governing Council for consideration the recommendation:

THAT the *University of Toronto Police Policy*, as revised, dated February 27, 2002, a copy of which is attached to Report Number 105 of the University Affairs Board as Appendix "A", be approved.

#### **13.** Reports for Information

Members had received in their agenda packages the following report:

Report Number 105 of the University Affairs Board (February 26, 2002)

### 14. Date of Next Meeting

The Chairman reminded members of the Committee's next meeting on <u>Wednesday</u> April 24, 2002, at 5:00 p.m.

The Chairman also indicated that there might be a need for a special meeting of the Executive Committee and of the Governing Council prior to the next scheduled meeting to consider a senior appointment.

#### 15. Other Business

## (a) Order of the Agenda

The Chairman consulted with members on the order of the agenda for the April 5, 2002 meeting of the Governing Council. It was agreed that the meeting would begin with the *in camera* session, following which the meeting would go into open session.

The meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Secretary

Chairman

April 1, 2002