

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO
THE GOVERNING COUNCIL
REPORT NUMBER 397 OF
THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Thursday, June 15, 2006

To the Governing Council,
University of Toronto.

Your Committee reports that it held a meeting on Thursday, June 15, 2006 at 12:30 p.m. in the Boardroom, Simcoe Hall, with the following members present:

Ms Rose M. Patten (In the Chair)
Mr. John F. (Jack) Petch, Vice-Chair
Professor C. David Naylor,
President
Ms Holly Andrews-Taylor
Mr. P.C. Choo
The Honourable William G. Davis
Ms Susan Eng
Dr. Shari Graham Fell
Mr. Timothy Reid
Professor Arthur S. Ripstein
Professor Barbara Sherwood Lollar
Mr. Robert S. Weiss

Non-Voting Member:

Mr. Louis R. Charpentier

Secretariat:

Mr. Henry Mulhall, Secretary

Regrets:

Mr. Ran Goel
Professor Michael R. Marrus

In Attendance:

Dr. Robert M. Bennett, Chair, University Affairs Board and member of the Governing Council
Professor Raymond Cummins, Chair, Academic Board and member of the Governing Council
Professor Vivek Goel, Vice-President and Provost and member of the Governing Council
Dr. Chris Cunningham, Special Advisor to the President

On motion duly moved and seconded,

IT WAS RESOLVED

THAT, pursuant to sections 28 (e) and 33 of *By-Law Number 2*, consideration of items 1-5 take place *in camera*, with the Board Chairs, Vice-Presidents and Special Advisor to the President admitted to facilitate the work of the Committee.

1. Code of Behaviour on Academic Matters: Recommendations 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 June 8, 2006 (Agenda Item 1 [a]), be placed on the agenda for the June 29, 2006 meeting of the Governing Council; and

THAT the recommendation for expulsion contained in the Memorandum from the Secretary of the Governing Council dated June 8, 2006 (Agenda Item 1 [b]), be placed on the agenda for the June 29, 2006 meeting of the Governing Council; and

THAT the recommendation for expulsion contained in the Memorandum from the Secretary of the Governing Council dated June 8, 2006 (Agenda Item 1 [c]), be placed on the agenda for the June 29, 2006 meeting of the Governing Council; and

THAT pursuant to Sections 38 and 40 of By-Law Number 2, these recommendations be considered by the Governing Council *in camera*.

2. Senior Appointment

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE ENDORSED AND FORWARDED

To the Governing Council for consideration the recommendation for a senior appointment contained in the memorandum from the President dated June 8, 2006.

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE APPROVED

That, pursuant to Section 38 of By-Law Number 2, the recommendation for the senior appointment be considered by the Governing Council *in camera*.

3. Board and Committee Assignments 2006-2007

On motion duly moved and seconded,

IT WAS RESOLVED

THAT the proposal from the Chair for Board and Committee assignments for 2006-2007 be recommended to the Governing Council for approval.

On motion duly moved and seconded,

IT WAS RESOLVED

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

4. Committee for Honorary Degrees: Membership

On motion duly moved and seconded,

IT WAS RESOLVED

THAT the recommendation from the Academic Board concerning the membership of the Committee for Honorary Degrees for 2006-2007 be endorsed and forwarded to the Governing Council for approval.

On motion duly moved and seconded,

IT WAS RESOLVED

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

5. External Appointments

(a) Hart House Board of Stewards and Finance Committee

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE APPROVED

THAT Ms Elizabeth Vosburgh be re-appointed to the Hart House Board of Stewards for a one-year term, from July 1, 2006 until June 30, 2007, or until her successor is appointed.

THAT Mr. Paul Lindblad be re-appointed to the Hart House Finance Committee for a one-year term, from July 1, 2006 until June 30, 2007, or until his successor is appointed.

(b) Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre (SHSC)

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE APPROVED

THAT Ms Teri E. Brown and Mr. Robert G. Dale be re-appointed to the Board of Directors of the Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre, for terms from July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2009, or until their successors are appointed; and

THAT Ms Pamela Griffith-Jones and Mr. J. David A. Jackson be appointed to the Board of Directors of the Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre, for terms from July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2009, or until their successors are appointed; and

THAT Mr. J. David A. Jackson and Mr. David A. Leslie be appointed as Vice-Chairs of the Board of Directors of the Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre, for terms from July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007, or until their successors are appointed.

5. External Appointments (cont'd)

(c) University Health Network (UHN)

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE APPROVED

THAT Professor Catharine Whiteside, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, and Professor Wayne Hindmarsh, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy, be re-appointed to the Board of Trustees of the University Health Network for one-year terms, from July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007, or until their successors are appointed.

(d) University of Toronto Press (UTP)

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE APPROVED

THAT Mr. Hart Hillman and Mr. Brent Houlden be appointed members and directors of the University of Toronto Press, effective immediately, for terms to continue until the 2006 Annual General Meeting, or until their successors are appointed.

(e) West Park Healthcare Centre

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE APPROVED

THAT Professor Luc De Nil be proposed to the Nominating Committee of the Board of Governors of the West Park Healthcare Centre for re-appointment to the Board for a one-year term, with his appointment to continue until the 2007 Annual General Meeting, or until a successor is appointed.

The Committee returned to closed session.

6. Report of the Previous Meeting

Report Number 396 of the Executive Committee meeting held on May 11, 2006 was approved.

7. Business Arising from the Report of the Previous Meeting

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

8. Minutes of the Governing Council Meetings

Members received for information the minutes of the Governing Council meetings held on May 1, 2006 and May 11, 2006.

9. Business Arising from the Governing Council Meetings

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

10. Report of the President**(a) Federal Government Relations**

The President reported that progress was being made in developing positive interactions with federal officials, and that a number of productive meetings had been held in this regard in recent weeks. He and President Indira Samarasekera of the University of Alberta had served as Honorary Co-chairs of a Science and Technology Forum held in Edmonton under the auspices of the Manning Foundation and chaired by Mr. Preston Manning with the support of Mr. James Rajotte, M.P. for Edmonton-Leduc. The forum had brought together researchers, business leaders, and government officials, and had, among other issues, considered ways in which to strengthen the Federal Government's research agenda. This initial forum had focused specifically on science and technology research, but the President was confident that the agenda could be broadened over time to include research across the academic disciplines.

(b) Provincial Government Relations

Positive dialogue was also continuing with provincial government officials. One issue of concern for the Council of Ontario Universities (COU) was the division of funding for post-secondary education between the province's universities and colleges of applied arts and technology. The current funding formula did not reflect the fact that enrolment pressure was greater in the university sector, and this was an issue of ongoing discussion between the COU and the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities. The funding implications of this issue were significant, potentially measuring in the tens of millions of dollars for the university sector as a whole.

(c) Principals and Deans / Vice-Presidents' Evaluations

Revised schematic categories were being developed for the performance review process for the University's principals, deans, and vice-presidents.

(d) Varsity Centre

The President stated that the budget increase for Phase 1 of the Varsity Centre that would be considered at the June 22, 2006 meeting of the Business Board was a significant concern for the senior administration of the University. The revised total project cost of \$21,750,000 represented a positive variance of \$5,364,000 over the originally approved total project cost of \$16,386,000. The most significant causes of the variance were an additional \$1,825,000 for the grandstand and \$1,530,000 for the track and field, in part caused by the tight project schedule and the fact that these were items that were not normally constructed by the University and had required specialized construction expertise. Other causes of the variance, including an additional \$800,000 for equipment and \$380,000 for landscaping, had been misspecified at the outset, and did not indicate that control had been lost of the cost of the project. In light of the Varsity Centre situation, the senior administration would review capital project costs over the previous 2-3 years, and the President would report back to the Executive Committee on a regular basis as the project was completed.

The Chair of the Academic Board noted that he shared the concern of the administration over the cost increase for the Varsity Centre, and supported the decision to review capital project costs for the previous few years. He recommended that this include the Chestnut Residence, and whether it had met the needs for which it had been acquired. The President took this under advisement, and noted that the Chestnut Residence had been acquired on attractive terms and had proven popular with students.

10. Report of the President (cont'd)**(e) Graduate Expansion**

The President reported that the University had received positive signals that its graduate expansion submission, including its request for Master's to Ph.D. conversions, would be accepted largely without alteration by the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities. If this were to occur, it would be the result of an effective advocacy effort on the part of the University, and would represent a recognition of its unique role in graduate education in the province. In addition, the University would face a significant challenge to deliver on the proposals made in its submission, and to do so on the tight timeline stipulated by the provincial government. However, some indications had been received from the Ministry that universities would not be unduly penalized if their efforts to boost graduate enrolment did not meet the original deadlines.

A member congratulated the President on this positive development, and asked for a status report on the University's planning process for the implementation of the graduate expansion. The Provost responded that a working paper would be brought forward to governance in the fall, once the actual target for graduate expansion had been received from the provincial government. The guiding principle for the expansion was that it would be carried out in keeping with the overall objectives of the University's *Stepping Up* academic plan. Faculties and departments had updated their individual academic plans, and had identified key issues for consideration including the need for enhanced student financial support and funding for capital projects. Planning around such issues as supervisory capacity would not be carried out in a formulaic manner, but would take into consideration variations across the academic disciplines.

(f) Convocations

A number of innovations had been introduced at the recently completed June Convocation ceremonies that had arisen from the work of the Committee to Review Convocation. The Committee would continue its work during the fall, and further changes would likely be introduced once its final report had been submitted.

(g) 2006-2007

The President concluded by thanking the members of the Executive Committee for their important contributions to the governance of the University over the last year. The senior administration would be working over the course of the summer to identify its top management priorities for 2006-2007, and the President looked forward to another year of positive activity and institutional advancement.

11. Items for Confirmation by the Executive Committee**(a) Constitution: Ontario Institute for Studies in Education of the University of Toronto (OISE/UT)**

(Arising from Report Number 144 of the Academic Board [June 1, 2006] – Item 7)

Professor Cummins reported that the proposed revisions to the Constitution were intended to accommodate the new responsibilities and authority that the Faculty Council would inherit as a result of the reorganization of the School of Graduate Studies, and to address internal governance issues.

11. Items for Confirmation by the Executive Committee (cont'd)

- (a) **Constitution: Ontario Institute for Studies in Education of the University of Toronto (OISE/UT) (cont'd)**
(Arising from Report Number 144 of the Academic Board [June 1, 2006] – Item 7)
(cont'd)

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE CONFIRMED THE DECISION OF THE ACADEMIC BOARD

THAT the revised Constitution of OISE/UT, approved by the OISE/UT Faculty Council on April 26, 2006, be approved.

Documentation is attached to Report Number 144 of the Academic Board as Appendix “A”.

- (b) **Faculty of Medicine: Medical Radiation Sciences Program Curriculum Redesign**
(Arising from Report Number 144 of the Academic Board [June 1, 2006] – Item 16)

Professor Cummins reported that this curriculum change had been come before the Academic Board because the program in question was offered jointly by the Faculty of Medicine and the Michener Institute for Applied Health Sciences. The new curriculum would include five inter-professional education courses, as well as enhanced clinical preparation time. There had been no discussion of the item by the Academic Board.

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE CONFIRMED THE DECISION OF THE ACADEMIC BOARD

THAT the Medical Radiation Sciences Program curriculum redesign, a copy of which is attached to Report Number 144 of the Academic Board as Appendix “J”, be approved effective for September 2007.

- (c) **Faculty of Arts and Science: Design Change to the Bachelor of Commerce Diploma**
(Arising from Report Number 144 of the Academic Board [June 1, 2006] – Item 17)

Professor Cummins reported that this change to the diploma design was a routine one, and was being carried out to recognize the fact that the B.Com. degree program had a significant number of courses taught by faculty of the Rotman School of Management.

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE CONFIRMED THE DECISION OF THE ACADEMIC BOARD

THAT the Bachelor of Commerce degree diploma include the signatures of the Deans of both the Faculty of Arts and Science and the Joseph L. Rotman School of Management, effective for June 2007 convocation.

Documentation is attached to Report Number 144 of the Academic Board as Appendix “K”.

12. Items for Endorsement and Forwarding to Governing Council

(a) Preliminary Plan for Graduate Expansion

(Arising from Report Number 144 of the Academic Board [June 1, 2006]- Item 8)

Professor Cummins reported that, in order to enable full participation in the available government funding, and to provide an orderly process of expansion, it was necessary to bring forward a preliminary plan for graduate enrolment expansion for the 2006-07 academic year. At the Academic Board, a member had asked if there was an intended proportional distribution among professional masters and doctoral stream enrolments, and was informed that the increased enrolment was expected to be similar to the current enrolment across programs and within divisions.

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE ENDORSED AND FORWARDED to the Governing Council for consideration the recommendation

THAT the target for graduate enrolment for 2006-07 be increased by 1000 students.

Documentation is attached to Report Number 144 of the Academic Board as Appendix “B”.

(b) School of Graduate Studies: Proposal for a New Ph.D. in Planning to be Offered through the Department of Geography, Faculty of Arts and Science

(Arising from Report Number 144 of the Academic Board [June 1, 2006]- Item 9)

Professor Cummins reported that the proposed Ph.D. program had been developed upon the foundation of a highly regarded Master of Science in Planning program. The Ph.D. program would be offered across the three campuses, and all necessary resources would be provided by the Department of Geography and the Faculty of Arts and Science.

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE ENDORSED AND FORWARDED to the Governing Council for consideration the recommendation

THAT the PhD in Planning at the Faculty of Arts and Science Department of Geography be recommended to Governing Council for approval, effective September 2007.

Documentation is attached to Report Number 144 of the Academic Board as Appendix “C”.

(c) School of Graduate Studies: Disestablishment of Museum Studies Program and Establishment in the Faculty of Information Studies

(Arising from Report Number 144 of the Academic Board [June 1, 2006]- Item 10)

Professor Cummins reported that it was being proposed that the Museum Studies program be disestablished within the School of Graduate Studies (SGS) and re-established as a degree program in the Faculty of Information Studies (FIS), a move that was consistent with the academic plans of FIS.

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE ENDORSED AND FORWARDED to the Governing Council for consideration the recommendation

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

- (c) **School of Graduate Studies: Disestablishment of Museum Studies Program and Establishment in the Faculty of Information Studies (cont'd)**
(Arising from Report Number 144 of the Academic Board [June 1, 2006]- Item10)
(cont'd)

THAT the Museum Studies Program be disestablished as an academic unit in the School of Graduate Studies and reestablished as a degree program within the Faculty of Information Studies, effective July 1, 2006.

Documentation is attached to Report Number 144 of the Academic Board as Appendix “D”.

- (d) **School of Graduate Studies: Discontinuation of Nursing M.Sc. Program**
(Arising from Report Number 144 of the Academic Board [June 1, 2006]- Item11)

Professor Cummins reported that the Faculty of Nursing had offered a thesis program since 1970. In 1991, the degree designation had been changed from Master of Science in Nursing to Master of Science. No students had been admitted to the Master of Science program since 1996, and so its discontinuation was being recommended.

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE ENDORSED AND FORWARDED to the Governing Council for consideration the recommendation

THAT the Nursing M.Sc. Program at the Faculty of Nursing be closed, effective September 2006.

Documentation is attached to Report Number 144 of the Academic Board as Appendix “E”.

- (e) **Capital Project: Centre for Criminology – Project Planning Report**
(Arising from Report Number 144 of the Academic Board [June 1, 2006]- Item12)

Professor Cummins reported on behalf of the Academic Board that the Centre for Criminology was to be relocated from the Robarts Library to the Canadiana Building, at 14 Queen’s Park Crescent West, in order to allow the expansion of the Richard Charles Lee Canada Hong Kong Library. The project would enable the University to provide space to address academic objectives and to create additional student study space. The project would also address some of the deferred maintenance required for the Canadiana Building, allowing the renovated facilities to be used fully for institutional purposes. Professor Ripstein reported that the Business Board had also considered and approved a proposal to execute this project, subject to Governing Council approval of the project planning report.

In response to a question, the Provost clarified that the costs of relocating the Centre for Criminology, since it was a secondary effect of the expansion of the Richard Charles Lee Canada Hong Kong Library, would be borne largely by the Faculty of Arts and Science. The generous donation that had been received was not sufficient both to expand the Library and to relocate the Centre, and the budget of the Centre for Criminology was not large enough to fund the relocation without the assistance of the Faculty of Arts and Science.

In response to another question, the Provost also clarified that the goal of the University was to make the entire Canadiana building barrier free accessible in the near future, and that this was an advancement priority. In the meantime, the library and an accessible room on the ground floor would be made available for faculty-student meetings to accommodate those who could not access the second floor. The University had to prioritize its accessibility projects, and its

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

- (e) **Capital Project: Centre for Criminology – Project Planning Report** (cont'd)
(Arising from Report Number 144 of the Academic Board [June 1, 2006]- Item12)
(cont'd)

approach was to first complete projects where there was an identified need for accessibility. At present this was not the case with the Centre for Criminology, but if such a need were to arise, the needs would be appropriately accommodated.

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE ENDORSED AND FORWARDED to the Governing Council for consideration the recommendation

1. THAT the Project Planning Report for the Centre for Criminology be approved in principle.
2. THAT the project scope as described in this report, allocating 820 nasm, be approved for the Centre for Criminology in the Canadiana Building, at an estimated Total Project Cost of \$2,109,000.
3. THAT the following sources of funding for the project be approved.

(a) Faculty of Arts and Science	\$ 1,000,000
(b) Deferred Maintenance Funds 2005-06	\$ 400,000
(c) Facilities Renewal Funds carry forward	<u>\$ 709,000</u>
TOTAL	\$ 2,109,000

Documentation is attached to Report Number 144 of the Academic Board as Appendix “F”.

- (f) **Capital Project: Department of Fine Art – Project Planning Report**
(Arising from Report Number 144 of the Academic Board [June 1, 2006]- Item13)

Professor Cummins reported that the operations of the Department of Fine Art had been severely constrained by existing space limitations. The relocation of the entire Department to One Spadina Crescent would require the relocation of thirteen units currently occupying the space. The Faculty of Arts and Science would make available up to \$250,000 to hire an architect/consultant to prepare a detailed site and phasing master plan, including a detailed construction cost estimate. Professor Ripstein noted that the Business Board had approved the proposal to hire the architect/consultant, subject to the necessary Governing Council approval.

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE ENDORSED AND FORWARDED to the Governing Council for consideration the recommendation

1. THAT the Project Planning Report for the Department of Fine Art be approved in principle.
2. That the building at One Spadina Crescent be allocated to the Faculty of Arts and Science for the Department of Fine Art.
3. THAT a space program of 3690 nasm be approved for the Department of Fine Art.

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

- (f) **Capital Project: Department of Fine Art – Project Planning Report (cont'd)**
(Arising from Report Number 144 of the Academic Board [June 1, 2006]- Item13)
(cont'd)

4. THAT implementation of the project begin with Phase One to determine a detailed Site and Phased Master Plan with subsequent phases brought forward for approvals as funds become available.

Documentation is attached to Report Number 144 of the Academic Board as Appendix “G”.

- (g) **Capital Project: University of Toronto at Mississauga (UTM) Parking Garage**
(Arising from Report Number 144 of the Academic Board [June 1, 2006]- Item14)

Professor Cummins reported that the Project Planning Committee had reviewed UTM's existing parking operations, demand, and future requirements, and concluded that the campus did not require a new parking structure prior to 2009-10. Approval of the proposed motion would close the file on this project.

A member noted that there had been complaints by some UTM staff members about the cost and scarcity of parking spaces on the campus. In response, the Provost noted that the parking garage under the Communication, Culture, and Information Technology (CCIT) building which had previously consisted entirely of reserved parking spaces would now include block reserve spaces. This would make spaces available at lower rates.

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE ENDORSED AND FORWARDED to the Governing Council for consideration the recommendation

1. THAT a parking garage on the UTM campus not be constructed at this time.
2. THAT parking demand on the UTM campus be monitored on an annual basis.
3. THAT alternative solutions to minimize the use of automobiles be examined.

Documentation is attached to Report Number 144 of the Academic Board as Appendix “H”.

- (h) **Capital Project: Department of Economics – Change in Scope**
(Arising from Report Number 144 of the Academic Board [June 1, 2006]- Item15)

Professor Cummins reported that this project had been considered by governance in 2001, 2003, and 2004. The current proposal included several minor adjustments, and incorporated two changes: the removal of the Institute for Policy Analysis from the project, and the modification of the 75-seat classroom to a 30-seat classroom. Professor Ripstein noted that the Business Board had also reviewed the revised project and approved its execution, subject to Council approval.

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE ENDORSED AND FORWARDED to the Governing Council for consideration the recommendation

1. THAT the revised scope of the Economics Renovation and Expansion Project at 150 St. George Street be approved in principle.

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

- (h) **Capital Project: Department of Economics – Change in Scope** (cont'd)
(Arising from Report Number 144 of the Academic Board [June 1, 2006]- Item 15)
(cont'd)

2. THAT the total project budget of \$15,300,000 be approved with sources of funding as follows:
- (a) a mortgage of \$ 6,500,000 to be repaid over 25 years or earlier by the Faculty of Arts and Science, depending on availability of funds.
 - (b) a 5-year short-term loan of \$ 3,500,000 coinciding with the pledge payment schedule of a donor.
 - (c) \$ 4,800,000 from the operating budget of the Faculty of Arts and Science.
 - (d) \$500,000 from Facilities and Services from 2005-06 deferred maintenance fund.

Documentation is attached to Report Number 144 of the Academic Board as Appendix “I”.

- (i) **Audit Committee Terms of Reference: Revision**
(Arising from Report Number 150 of the Business Board [May 29, 2006]- Item 3 [b])

Reporting on behalf of the Business Board, Professor Ripstein noted that there had, in recent years, been a major change in the expectations of audit committees. The need to comply with the requirements of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act in the U.S. had been in the forefront of much of this change. The proposal under consideration represented the University’s action to bring the terms of reference of its Audit Committee into line with these new expectations. Among the changes being proposed would be the requirement that all voting members of the Audit Committee be external to the University, apart from the President and a senior faculty member with expertise in accounting. The proposed terms of reference had been developed by a working group of the Audit Committee, and been reviewed at two meetings of that Committee before being presented to the Business Board.

A member commented that the revisions to the terms of reference were positive steps in the right direction. However, the University might also consider future revisions that would incorporate a formal ‘whistle-blower’ policy.

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE ENDORSED AND FORWARDED to the Governing Council for consideration the recommendation

THAT the proposed revised terms of reference of the Audit Committee be approved.

Documentation is attached to Report Number 150 of the Business Board as Appendix “B”.

- (j) **Statement on Equity, Diversity, and Human Rights**
(Arising from Report Number 136 of the University Affairs Board [May, 30, 2006]- Item 4)

The Chair noted that the next item on the Agenda was to have been consideration of the Statement on Equity, Diversity, and Human Rights, arising from the University Affairs Board. During the previous week the administration had continued to receive important feedback about the proposal, and it had become apparent that additional consultative steps within the senior administrative groups (for example, Principals and Deans) would be beneficial before it was forwarded to the Governing Council for approval. It was also decided that it would be reasonable to provide the Academic Board with an opportunity to comment on the Statement,

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

- (j) **Statement on Equity, Diversity, and Human Rights (cont'd)**
*(Arising from Report Number 136 of the University Affairs Board [May, 30, 2006]-
 Item 4) (cont'd)*

given its University-wide impact, even though it fell outside the Board's Terms of Reference. In order to complete this consultative process, the item was withdrawn from the Agenda, and would be brought forward to another cycle of governance in the fall of 2006.

13. Report of the Committee to Review the Office of the University Ombudsperson

The Vice-Chair reported that the Committee to Review the Office of the University Ombudsperson had largely completed the first phase of its mandate, namely the review of the Ombudsperson's Office. The Review Committee's Draft Report had been circulated to the Executive Committee for its consideration, and the Vice-Chair invited comments and feedback that could be considered by the Review Committee before it submitted its final report to the Governing Council in the fall. Once the Executive Committee's advice had been received, and any further consultation completed, the Review Committee would proceed to phase two of its mandate, bringing forward a recommendation concerning an appointment.

14. Governing Council / Executive Committee Meeting Dates, 2006-07 (revision)

The Vice-Chair informed members that this minor change to the upcoming year's schedule of Governing Council and Executive Committee meeting dates had been necessitated by the President's need to travel on University business on one of the previously approved Executive Committee meeting dates.

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE APPROVED

THAT the Executive Committee meeting scheduled for Thursday, May 17, 2007 at 5:00 p.m. be rescheduled to 12 noon that same day.

15. Summer Executive Authority

The Vice-Chair reminded members that each June, the Governing Council was asked to delegate to the President authority to take any necessary actions on its behalf during the summer months. The Chair would countersign individual authorizations, and, in September, these actions would be reported for information to the appropriate committee. Items not regarded as urgent would be held for consideration in the usual manner.

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE ENDORSED AND FORWARDED to the Governing Council for consideration the recommendation

1. THAT until the next regular meeting of the Governing Council or its appropriate committee or board, authority be granted to the President for:
 - (i) appointments to categories 2 and 3 of the *Policy on Appointments and Remuneration* approved by the Governing Council of the University of Toronto, dated February 9, 2006;

15. Summer Executive Authority (cont'd)

- (ii) approval of such additional curriculum changes as may arise for the summer and September 2006; and
 - (iii) decisions on other matters the urgency of which does not permit their deferral until the next regular meeting of the Governing Council or its appropriate standing committee or board.
2. THAT all actions taken under this authority be approved by the Chair of the Governing Council prior to implementation and reported to the appropriate committee or board for information.

16. Item for Information: Revised Guidelines for the Committee for Honorary Degrees

Members received this item for information. There were no questions or discussion.

17. Reports for Information

Members received the following reports for information.

- (a) Report Number 143 of the Academic Board (May 4, 2006)
- (b) Report Number 149 of the Business Board (May 3, 2006)
- (c) Report Number 135 of the University Affairs Board (April 25, 2006)
- (d) Report Number 136 of the University Affairs Board (May 30, 2006)
- (e) Report Number 12 on Namings

18. Date of the Next Meeting

Members were reminded that the next regular meeting of the Executive Committee was scheduled for Thursday, June 29, 2006 at 3:00 p.m., immediately prior to the Governing Council meeting at 4:00 p.m.

19. Other Business

There was no other business.

The meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

Secretary

Chair

August 21, 2006