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#### UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO SCARBOROUGH CAMPUS COUNCIL

## REPORT NUMBER 25 OF THE CAMPUS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

## **September 13, 2017**

To the University of Toronto Scarborough Campus Council, University of Toronto Scarborough

Your Committee reports that it met on Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at 4:10 p.m. in the Council Chamber, Arts and Administration Building, with the following members present:

#### **Present:**

Mr. Larry Whatmore, Chair Mr. Andrew Arifuzzaman, Chief Administrative Officer Professor William Gough, Vices

Professor William Gough, Vice-Principal, Academic and Dean

Mr. Desmond Pouyat, Dean of

Student Affairs Ms Janet Blakely

Dr. Catherine Bragg

Dr. Jonathan S. Cant

Mr. Keith Chen

Ms Hanan Domloge

Mr. Mohsin Jeelani

Professor Elaine Khoo

Ms Tanya Mars

Dr. Mandy Meriano

Ms Ruth Camille Pandela

Professor Jack Parkinson

Dr. Tayyab Rashid

Ms Dominic Stephenson

Mr. Mohsin Kamal Syed

Mr. George Szep

Dr. Andrew Tam

Ms Tomesha (Jingzhou) Zhang

# **Non-voting Assessors:**

Ms Liza Arnason Ms Helen Morissette

#### **Secretariat:**

Ms Rena Prashad

#### Absent:

Ms Gigi Chang Professor Nick Cheng Dr. Brian Harrington Professor Bruce Kidd

Professor Paul Kingston

Professor Alice Maurice Ms Kirsta Stapelfeldt

Dr. Helen Wu

#### In attendance:

Ms Colleen Boehme, Sexual Violence Prevention and Response Coordinator

Ms Laura Boyko, Assistant Dean, Health, Wellness, Physical Activity, Recreation & Sport Ms Tina Doyle, Director, Access*Ability* Services

Dr. Terry McQuaid, Executive Director, Personal Safety, High Risk, Sexual Violence Prevention and Support

Ms Michelle Verbrugghe, Director, Student Housing & Residence Life

### 1. Chair's Remarks

The Chair welcomed members and guests to the first Committee meeting of the 2017-18 governance year. He introduced himself and invited members to introduce themselves as well.

#### 2. Orientation of Members

The Chair and Governance Coordinator, Rena Prashad, provided an Orientation presentation to the Committee. The presentation included the follow key points:

- The distinction between administration and governance;
- An overview of the Governing Council and its Boards and Committees including the UTSC Campus Council and its Committees;
- Committee membership composition and areas responsibilities;
- Expectations of Committee members;
- The role of Assessors;
- Types of decisions made by the Committee and guidelines on attendance at meetings; and
- Meeting preparation, agendas, cover sheets, and the Diligent Boards governance portal.

# 3. Strategic Topic: Developments in Tri-Campus Sexual Violence Prevention & Support Initiatives

The Chair reported that on September 20, 2016, the Provost, Professor Cheryl Regehr, presented information to the Committee on the University's sexual violence action plan and proposed policy. He welcomed and introduced Dr. Terry McQuaid, Executive Director, Personal Safety, High Risk, Sexual Violence, Prevention, and Support, to discuss Sexual Violence Education and Prevention (SVEP) principles developed by the Expert Panel on Education and Prevention of Sexual Violence. The panel was established by President Meric Gertler and Professor Regehr to educate the University community on the prevention of and response to sexual violence. Dr. McQuaid's presentation<sup>2</sup> included the following key points:

- The expert panel engaged in a literature and research review, tri-campus discussions and conversations, and online feedback of the draft Guiding Principles for SVEP Initiatives to develop relevant education curriculum;
- Foundational education would be offered to all members of the University community on the *Policy on Sexual Violence and Sexual Harassment*. Advanced education would be provided

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Presentation- Orientation of Members

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Presentation- Strategic Topic: Developments in Tri-Campus Sexual Violence Prevention & Support Initiatives

- to students as well as faculty and staff with front-facing relationships with students or employees, and to those in roles where disclosure/information was shared;
- Education curriculum was being developed and the UTSC Advisory Committee would be consulted prior to the approval of the curriculum;
- The Sexual Violence Prevention and Support Centre planned to work closely with the Sexual Violence Prevention and Response Coordinator at UTSC to implement training through trained facilitators or online modules; and
- A review and plan was underway to update all policies impacted by Bill 132, specifically the *Policy on Sexual Violence and Sexual Harassment*.

# 4. Reports of the Presidential Assessors

The Chair invited the Assessors to deliver their reports.

Mr. Andrew Arifuzzaman, Chief Administrative Officer, updated the Committee on the status of the Highland Hall construction project and presented photographs of the structure. He reported the project remained on schedule for occupancy in September 2018. Mr. Arifuzzaman also reported that the Business Board approved the execution of definitive agreements for the UTSC Student Residence project at its meeting on June 15<sup>th</sup>. On July 13<sup>th</sup>, the Request for Statements of Qualifications for the UTSC Student Residence closed. 9 bids were received and 3 were shortlisted. It was expected that one bidder would be awarded as the Design Build Team in January 2018.

In response to a question regarding the targeted occupancy date for the new student residence, Mr. Arifuzzaman reported that occupancy was planned for September 2020.

In response to a comment from a member regarding older residence stock on campus, Mr. Arifuzzaman explained that the new student residence would be primarily for first year students and that the older residence stock could be renovated and converted into graduate or faculty housing.

Professor William Gough, Vice-Principal, Academic and Dean, shared a report on 2017-18 decanal priorities and objectives, which included the following key points:

- UTSC appointed a new Indigenous Elder, Ms Wendy Phillips, and would be working with her and other units to recruit more Indigenous faculty and students. Recruitment and access to education efforts would also focus on the Black community, communities of colour, lowincome and rural communities:
- The Dean's Office was working closely with the academic department Chairs to identify ideas and funding prospects for work integrated learning/experiential learning opportunities;
- Efforts were being made to strengthen international partnerships and enhance student exchange opportunities, continue relationship building within the eastern GTA, and redefine the undergraduate experience from a pedagogical perspective (i.e. the use of curriculum mapping as a tool); and

• The Dean's Office planned to advance the action items arising from the UTSC Academic Plan.

In response to a question regarding curriculum mapping, Professor Gough explained that curriculum mapping was the process of plotting course learning outcomes throughout a program or programs of study.

Mr. Desmond Pouyat, Dean of Student Affairs, invited Ms Liza Arnason, Assistant Dean, Student Life, Community Outreach & International Experience, to provide an overview of orientation. Ms Arnason reported that Orientation at UTSC was a collaborative effort across units to ensure students were academically and socially prepared to pursue their studies. She emphasized that Orientation extended six week into the Fall term to ensure student received the supports they needed to succeed. Ms Arnason also reported that this September UTSC welcomed its largest first year class of 3534 students, of which 985 were international students. The Department of Student Life and the First Year Experience Programs offered a variety of programs and events to engage with first year students, and included: e-buddy program, International Student Centre barbeque, First Year mentorship, First Generation program, and welcome telephone calls and email newsletters.

A member asked what mode of communication was used to contact first year international students prior to their arrival at UTSC. Ms Arnason explained that the social media platform WeeChat was used to contact first year international students.

In response to a question regarding the First Generation program, Ms Arnason explained that the mentees attended academic and co-curricular programming led by upper year students to enhance their academic success. In follow-up, a member asked whether a similar program was offered to students from low-income households. Professor Gough explained that a formal program did not exist for low-income students, and fell under the broader topic of access to education.

5. Report of the Previous Meeting: Report 24 –Wednesday, April 26, 2017

The report of the previous meeting was approved.

6. Business Arising from the Report of the Previous Meeting

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

7. Date of the Next Meeting –Monday, October 30, 2017 at 4:10 p.m.

The Chair reminded members that the next scheduled meeting of the Committee would be held on Monday, October 30, 2017 at 4:10 p.m.

## 8. Other Business

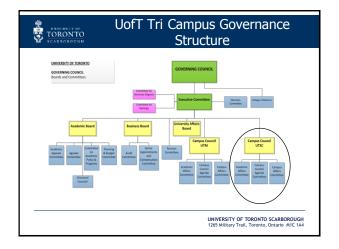
The Chair advised the Committee, particularly new members, that on February 7<sup>th</sup> and March 1<sup>st</sup> the Committee and UTSC Campus Council members commented on the need for improved student engagement strategies to increase voting in referendums due to a low voter turnout for the Fusion Radio referendum.

Mr. Pouyat indicated that a tri-campus campaign focused on involvement and participation in democratic processes and civic engagement was being developed by the Office of the Vice-Provost, Students, who was supportive of the initiative moving forward across the University. He remarked that he would report back to the Committee on the progress of the campaign over the course of the governance year.

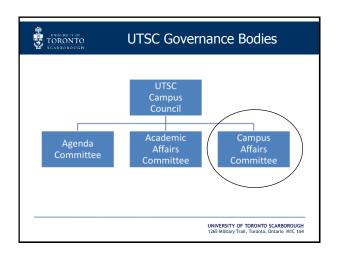
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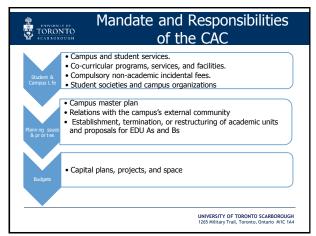










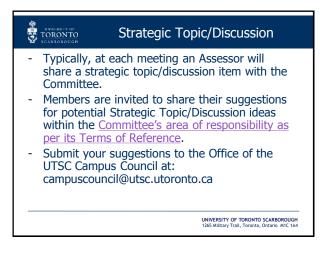


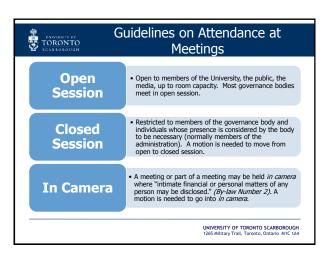




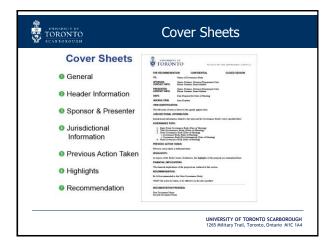














# The Role of the Secretariat/Office of the UTSC Campus Council

- Provide support to the Committee Chair and Committee members:
  - Advises members on all governance matters related to the Committee;
  - Communicates Committee decisions to impacted parties;
  - A neutral liaison between the administration and governance; and
  - Manages governance records and maintain Council and Committee membership

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# More Information on University Governance

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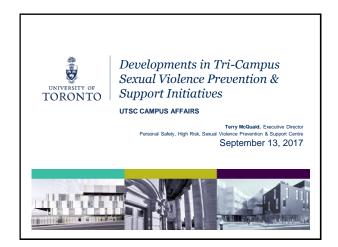
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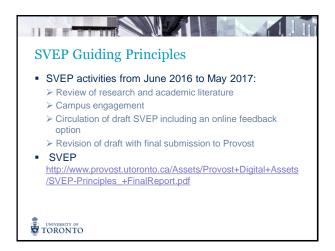


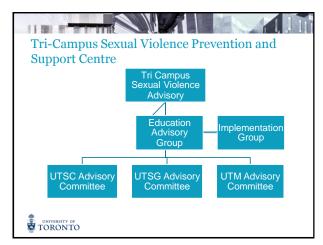
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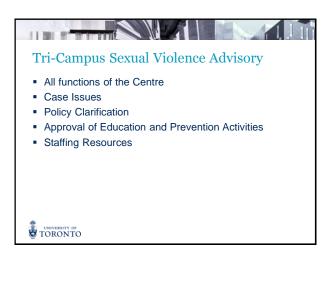
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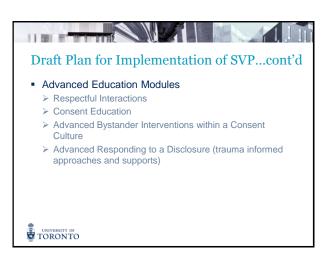


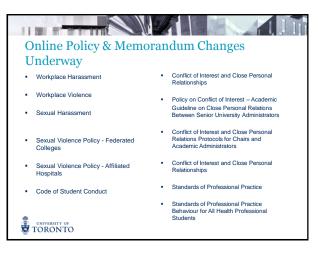


# Local Liaison Group SVP Collaboration with the Centre on the following initiatives Local implementation of the SVP Foundational Programming Advanced Programming Issues Raised at Campus Level in terms of supports needed

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