

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO
THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

**REPORT NUMBER 205 OF
THE UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS BOARD**

March 6, 2018

To the Governing Council,
University of Toronto

Your Board reports that it met on Tuesday, March 6, 2018, at 4:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber, Simcoe Hall, with the following members present:

Andrew Szende, Chair
Catherine Riddell, Vice-Chair
Sandy Welsh, Vice-Provost, Students
Steven R. Bailey
Vikram Chadalawada
Aidan Fishman
Avrum Gotlieb
Amanda Harvey-Sanchez
Ira Jacobs
Normand Labrie
Zhenglin Liu
John F. Monahan
David Newman
Mark Lautens
Julian Oliveira
Cristina Peter
Mark Henry Rowswell
Eric Schwenger

Larry Whatmore
Robert Zhi Cheng Xu

Non-Voting Assessors:

Mark Overton, Dean of Student Affairs,
University of Toronto Mississauga (UTM)
Desmond Pouyat, Dean of Student Affairs,
University of Toronto Scarborough (UTSC)
Meredith Strong, Director, Office of the Vice-
Provost, Students

Regrets:

Jiayi Chen
Pingki Mazumder
Mama Adobea Nii Owoo
Samra Zafar

Secretariat:

David Walders, Secretary

In Attendance:

Beth Ali, Executive Director of Co-Curricular Sports & Physical Activity Programs, Faculty of Kinesiology & Physical Education
Michelle Brownrigg, Senior Director of Co-curricular Education, Hart House
Michael Jeronimo, Food and Ancillary Services
Sherry Kulman, Chief Administrative Officer, Hart House
Mike Lesage, Coordinator, Student Policy Initiatives

Rosanne Lopers-Sweetman, Chief Administrative Officer, Faculty of Kinesiology & Physical Education

Suzanne Macintyre, Hart House

Jim Webster, Director of Finance, Faculty of Kinesiology and Physical Education

ITEMS 2c, 5b, 5c, 5d and 6 ARE REPORTED FOR APPROVAL AND ALL OTHER ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

1. Chair's Welcome and Opening Remarks

The Chair welcomed members and guests to the meeting.

2. Operating Plans: Service Ancillaries

Professor Welsh noted that the Operating Plans had first been reviewed by a number of bodies, including undergraduate and graduate students, and faculty and staff. At the University of Toronto Mississauga, those bodies included the Student Housing Advisory Committee, the Food Service Advisory Committee, the Resident Student Dining Committee and the Transportation & Parking Advisory Committee. The University of Toronto Scarborough Operating Plans were also developed via a consultative process. The Student Housing Advisory Committee, Food User Committee and the Parking Advisory Review Committee provided advice and input.

(a) University of Toronto Mississauga

The Service Ancillaries Operating Plan from the University of Toronto Mississauga was received for information.

(b) University of Toronto Scarborough

The Service Ancillaries Operating Plan from the University of Toronto Scarborough was received for information.

(c) St. George Campus

Professor Welsh noted that, as with the operating plans from the University of Toronto Mississauga and the University of Toronto Scarborough, consultation on the St. George Campus ancillary plans occurred first at the local level, at which students were involved. Draft plans were reviewed by the Financial Services Department, whose report was considered by the Service Ancillaries Review Group (SARG), which included several members from the Board. Professor Welsh expressed her thanks to the members of SARG for a productive discussion and helpful input.

On motion duly made, seconded and carried

YOUR BOARD APPROVED,

THAT the proposed 2018-19 operating plans and budgets for St. George service ancillaries, as summarized in Schedule I; the St. George service ancillary capital budgets as summarized in Schedule V, and the St. George rates and fees in Schedule VI be approved, effective May 1, 2018.

Professor Welsh provided an overview of items 3-5, the Operating Plans and Fees, noting that they were subject to both the *Policy on Compulsory Non-Academic Incidental Fees* and the *Memorandum of Agreement between the University and the UTSU, UTGSU and APUS for a Long-Term Protocol on the Increase or Introduction of Compulsory Non-Tuition Related Fees* (the *Protocol*). All proposals for the increase, decrease, introduction or elimination of a fee covered by the *Protocol* were considered by the Protocol Body, whose advice was then conveyed to the Governing Council.

Under the *Protocol*, for a fee increase to be approved by the Protocol Body, both a majority of members voting and a majority of student members voting must vote in favour of the increase. In the absence of advice by the Protocol Body, the Governing Council could approve permanent increases at the lesser of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) or University of Toronto Index (UTI), and temporary increases at the greater of CPI or UTI.

In the ensuing discussion, members enquired about Council on Student Services (COSS) support for fee increases. Professor Welsh noted that consultation with COSS had been extremely positive and that COSS had expressed support for a portion of the fee increases, though they ultimately did not vote in favour of the entire suite of fees.

3. Operating Plans and Fees: Student Affairs and Services, University of Toronto Mississauga

Professor Welsh noted that the UTM Student Services Plans had first been considered by UTM's Quality Services to Students Council (QSS). The UTM Athletics & Recreation Fee, and the Health Service Fee were endorsed by QSS. The Student Services Fee was not endorsed by QSS.

Pursuant to the Protocol, the administration recommended that the UTM Athletics & Recreation Fee, the Health Service Fee be increased by permanent components and the Student Services Fee by permanent and temporary components.

The increases were approved by the UTM Campus Council and the Executive Committee would consider confirmation of the Council's decision at its next meeting.

(a) Advice from the Quality Service to Students Committee (QSS)

The advice from QSS was received for information.

(b) Plans and Fees

The Student Services Plans from the University of Toronto Mississauga was received for information.

4. Operating Plans and Fees: Student Affairs and Services, University of Toronto Scarborough

Professor Welsh noted that the UTSC Student Services Plans had first been considered and approved by the U of T Scarborough Council on Student Services (CSS). Three proposals for permanent fee increases were presented to CSS – Health and Wellness, Athletics, and Student Services fees. CSS endorsed the Health and Wellness, and Student Services fees. The Athletics and Recreation Fee was not endorsed by CSS.

Pursuant to the Protocol, the administration recommended that Health and Wellness, and Student Services fees be increased by permanent components as detailed in the documentation and the Athletics and Recreation Fee by permanent and temporary components.

The increases were approved by the UTSC Campus Council and the Executive Committee would consider confirmation of the Council's decision at its next meeting.

(a) Advice from the Council on Student Services (CSS)

The advice from CSS was received for information.

(b) Plans and Fees

The Student Services Plans from the University of Toronto Scarborough was received for information.

5. Operating Plans and Fees: St. George Campus and University Wide Services**(a) Advice from the Council on Student Services (COSS)**

Professor Welsh advised that the *Protocol on Non-Tuition Fees* provided that the Operating Plans and Fees for University-wide and St. George Campus services first be considered by COSS, whose advice would be conveyed to the University Affairs Board. Proposals for Student Life Programs and Services, the Faculty of Kinesiology & Physical Education: Co-Curricular Programs, Services, and Facilities, and Hart House were considered by COSS.

In all instances, the majority of student members of COSS did not endorse the Operating Plans and therefore the budget proposed by each of the three units was not endorsed by COSS. As such, each of the three units is proposing increases consistent with the increase presented to COSS which include a permanent component and a temporary component.

(b) Operating Plans and Fees: Student Life, St. George Campus

Mr. Newman then offered a presentation, appended [here](#), on student life, programs and services. He noted that there were several areas of strategic priorities within student life. They included the following; student development and engagement; internationalization; health and wellness; programs and services for graduate students; academic support, and; divisional and university support services. These were largely aligned with priorities of the three representative student societies on the St. George Campus. He also noted that the Innovation Hub, which used human-centred design thinking, ethnographic inquiry, and empathy tools to assist in gaining deeper insight into the student experience, remained an invaluable resource.

The Chair thanked Mr. Newman for his presentation.

On motion duly made, seconded and carried

YOUR BOARD APPROVED

THAT the 2018-19 operating plans and budget for Student Life Programs and Services, as presented in the documentation from David Newman (Senior Director, Student Experience), be approved; and

THAT the sessional fee for a full time student on the St. George campus be increased to \$156.72 (\$31.34 for a part-time student), which represents a year over year increase of \$5.18 (\$1.03 for a part-time student) or 3.42% (resulting from the elimination of a 2015-16 three-year temporary increase, a permanent increase of 2.0% and a temporary increase of 11.08%).

(c) Operating Plans and Fees: Faculty of Kinesiology and Physical Education: Co-Curricular Programs, Services and Facilities

Professor Welsh noted that, in addition to the consideration of these plans by COSS, the plans had been considered and approved by the Council on Athletics and Recreation, which included a majority of student members.

Professor Jacobs and Ms Ali offered a joint presentation, appended [here](#), which began by describing the following main principles that underly program formulation and offerings of the Faculty of Kinesiology and Physical Education: co-curricular opportunities for all; continuum of research-informed opportunities; equity and diversity, and; student leadership opportunities. The presentation also detailed the many program offerings within the Faculty, the number of participants in those programs, as well as the 2018-19 budget plan. It also highlighted the scope of

student participation in athletics, as employees of the Faculty and student leadership and engagement.

The Faculty's "Move U" initiative was highlighted, whereby student peer teams connected with students through physical activity to relieve stress, boost concentration and improve performance in the classroom. Finally, the Faculty's commitment to equity and diversity was outlined, which included the Equity Fun Ideas Fund, which supported initiatives that promoted equity in sports and physical activity.

In the discussion that follow, Ms Ali confirmed that student engagement in the Faculty's programs was increasing year over year. She also highlighted initiatives designed to promote diversity and inclusion, including women's only hours at athletic facilities and the transgender-friendly swim initiative.

On motion duly made, seconded and carried

YOUR BOARD APPROVED

THAT the 2018-19 operating plans and budget for the Faculty of Kinesiology & Physical Education: Co-Curricular Programs, Services and Facilities, as presented in the documentation from Beth Ali (Executive Director, Co-Curricular Athletics and Physical Activity Programs) be approved; and

THAT the sessional fee for a full-time student on the St. George campus be increased to \$189.00 (\$37.80 for a part-time student), which represents a year over year increase of \$3.71 (\$0.74 for a part-time student) or 2.0% (resulting from the elimination of a 2015-16 three-year temporary increase, a permanent increase of 2.0% and a temporary increase of 18.77%); and

THAT the sessional fee for a full-time student at UTM or UTSC be increased to \$21.92 (\$4.39 for a part-time student), which represents a year over year increase of \$0.43 (\$0.09 for a part-time student) or 2.0% (resulting from the elimination of a 2015-16 three-year temporary increase, a permanent increase of 2.0% and a temporary increase of 18.77%).

(d) Operating Plans and Fees: Hart House

Professor Welsh noted that, in addition to the consideration of these plans by COSS, the plans had been considered and approved by the Hart House Board of Stewards, which included a considerable number of students.

Mr. Monahan then offered a presentation, appended [here](#), which began by explaining the mandate of Hart House, highlighting its tri-campus mandate and social enterprise model. The presentation focussed on three main areas: programming, operations and the 2018-19 budget plan. Programming focussed on arts and culture, debates and dialogue, and recreation and wellness. Turning to operations, Mr Monahan highlighted key operational areas including social enterprise, student employment and improvements to physical space within Hart House. This would include capital

improvements, infrastructure renewal and continued commitment to accessibility. Finally, highlights from the 2018-19 budget plan were presented.

BE IT RESOLVED,

THAT the 2018-19 operating plans and budget for Hart House, as presented in the documentation from John Monahan, Warden, be approved; and

THAT the sessional fee for a full-time student on the St. George campus be increased to \$89.40 (\$17.90 for a part-time student), which represents a year over year increase of \$3.02 (\$0.61 for a part time student) or 3.50% (resulting from the elimination of a 2015-16 three-year temporary increase, a permanent increase of 2.0% and a temporary increase of 6.92%); and

THAT the sessional fee for a full-time student at UTM or UTSC be increased to \$2.74 (\$0.55 for a part-time student), which represents a year over year increase of \$0.09 (\$0.02 for a part time student) or 3.50% (resulting from the elimination of a 2015-16 three-year temporary increase, a permanent increase of 2.0% and a temporary increase of 6.92%).

6. Report of the Previous Meeting: Report Number 204, January 30, 2018

The Report of the Previous meeting, held January 30, 2018, 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. Date of Next Meeting: April 30, 2018 at 4:30 p.m.

The Chair confirmed the next meeting would be held on April 30, 2018 at 4:30 p.m.

9. Report of the Senior Assessor

The Report delivered by Professor Welsh covered three topics:

Province-Wide Sexual Violence Climate Survey

Professor Welsh noted that, in Ontario, Bill 132 contained specific requirements for institutional data collection and reporting on sexual violence. The University of Toronto, along with the Council of Ontario Universities (COU), continued to be supportive of data collection and sharing information across the sector. The University had been working with the Provincial government on the development of a survey tool for benchmarking and understanding sexual violence on university campuses in Ontario.

The *Student Voices on Sexual Violence*, a survey sponsored by the Ministry of Advanced Education and Skills Development (MAESD), was launched in late February and running through March 2018. As specified by the Ministry, full-time undergraduate and graduate university students, public college students, as well as students attending registered private career colleges across Ontario would be invited to participate in the survey. The University of Toronto's Sexual Violence Climate Survey Advisory Board had provided feedback on the survey and the protocol had been approved by the Health Sciences Research Ethics Board at U of T. Participation in the survey was encouraged.

University-Mandated Leave of Absence Policy

Professor Welsh advised that the University continued to be confident that the *Policy* was in compliance with obligations under the Ontario Human Rights Code.

A revised draft that amplified the intent and application of the *Policy* and that also was responsive to many of the concerns was in the final stage of internal review. This revised draft would be reintroduced shortly at the appropriate stage of Governance. Prior to re-entering governance, the draft would be made public for review and feedback. The Ontario Human Rights Commission would be advised when it became available.

In reply to questions, Professor Welsh confirmed that consultation with various group regarding the *Policy* would continue. She encouraged the continued involvement of all interested parties in the consultation process.

Democratic Engagement

Turning to democratic engagement, Professor Welsh noted that she, along with colleagues at UTM and UTSC, were working on ways to increase engagement in the democratic process in a broad manner – not only to support student organizations - but to increase student engagement in municipal, provincial and federal elections.

A variety of initiatives had begun on campus regarding voter engagement. In order to promote those types of activities and to provide a dedicated resource, revisions to the *voting.utoronto.ca* website were being considered.

10. Other Business

There were no matters of other business

The meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Secretary

Chair

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