#### **UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO**

## THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

# **REPORT NUMBER 127 OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE**

May 11, 2018

To the Business Board, University of Toronto

Your Committee reports that it met on Friday, May 11, 2018, at 12:30 p.m. in the Governing Council Boardroom, Simcoe Hall, with the following members present:

Jeff Collins (Chair)
Janet Lynne Ecker (Vice-Chair)
Robert Boeckner

Sue Graham-Nutter Kathryn A. Jenkins Christopher Thatcher

#### **REGRETS:**

Scott Mabury, Vice-President University Operations Claire Kennedy Brian K. Johnston N. Jane Pepino

## **Non-Voting Assessor:**

Mark L. Britt, Director Internal Audit Sheila Brown, Chief Financial Officer Sheree Drummond, Secretary of the Governing Council

#### Secretariat:

Joan Griffin

## In Attendance:

Diana Brouwer, Ernst & Young Daniel Ottini, Deputy Director, Internal Audit Pierre Piché, Controller and Director of Financial Services Joyce Yu, Ernst & Young Report Number 127 of the Audit Committee – Friday, May 11, 2018

All items are reported to the Business Board for information.

#### 1. Chair's Remarks

The Chair welcomed members to the meeting and reminded them that the Committee met in closed session. He encouraged members to participate fully and to engage in discussion throughout the meeting. He also, once again, thanked members for their consideration of the Risk Report at the previous meeting and noted that he was heartened to see that the topic continued to provide a high level of engagement.

# 2. Report of the Previous Meeting

Report number 126, from the meeting of April 16, 2018 was approved.

## 3. Business Arising from the Report of the Previous Meeting

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

# 4. Draft Audited Financial Statements and Notes – April 30, 2018

The Committee reviewed this item for information. Pierre Piché, Controller and Director, Financial Services, spoke to the Notes and indicated that the early discussion was an opportunity to provide members with useful context prior to their consideration of the full report at the Committee meeting on June 18, 2018.

He identified three areas where disclosures had been added for 2017-2018: the voluntary disclosure of the sinking fund, additional disclosure of endowments that have a fair value below the donated capital, and the clarification that land is included in investment in capital assets, stating that this information would offer greater transparency of reporting.

Committee members commented on the importance of increasing disclosures and transparency and on the value of the planned changes. Dr. Piché commented that no further changes were anticipated to the report for this year, and that the University was always monitoring accounting standards for reporting.

## 5. External Auditors

# a. Report on Non-Audit Services by the External Auditors for the period from October 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018

The Report on Non-Audited Services by the External Auditors was received for information.

# 6. Reports of the Administrative Assessors

There were no additional reports from the Administrative Assessors.

7.	Date of the Next Meeting
	Members were reminded that the next meeting was scheduled for Monday, June 18 $^{\text{th}}$ 2018, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.
8.	Other Business
	There were no matters of other business.
	The Committee Moved In Camera.
9.	Internal Auditor – Private Meeting
10.	Committee Members Alone
	The meeting adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

Chair

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Secretary

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