

**UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO**

**THE GOVERNING COUNCIL**

**REPORT 146 OF THE AGENDA COMMITTEE**

**May 20, 2008**

To the Academic Board,  
University of Toronto.

Your Committee reports that it held a meeting on Tuesday, May 20, 2008, at 2:00 p.m. in the Falconer Room, Room 102, Simcoe Hall.

Present: Professor Michael Marrus (In the Chair)  
Professor Brian Corman  
Professor Vivek Goel, Vice-President and Provost  
Professor Clare Beghtol  
Professor Rick Halpern  
Professor Edith Hillan, Vice-Provost, Academic  
Professor Andrea Sass-Kortsak, Chair, Committee on Academic Policy and Programs

Ms Mae-Yu Tan, Secretary

Regrets: Professor Avrum Gotlieb  
Mr. James Janeiro

In Attendance: Ms Sheree Drummond, Assistant Provost  
Ms Helen Lasthiotakis, Director, Policy and Planning, Office of the Vice-President and Provost

**1. Report of the Previous Meeting**

Report Number 145 of the meeting held on May 5, 2008 was approved.

**2. Business Arising**

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

**3. Reviews of Academic Programs and Units**

The Chair reminded members that, under the *Accountability Framework for Reviews of Academic Programs and Units*, the Agenda Committee was responsible for determining whether there were any issues of general academic importance arising from the reviews that should be discussed at the Academic Board. Members had received Part I of the 2006-2007 summary of the Reviews of Academic Programs and Units. Part II of the summary would be considered by the Agenda Committee in the fall. The Report of the April 1, 2008 meeting of the Committee on Academic Policy and Programs (AP&P), at which the reviews had been discussed, had been previously distributed to the Committee.

Professor Hillan reported that AP&P had considered the Provostial reviews of the Faculty of Dentistry, the Faculty of Physical Education and Health, and Woodsworth College. AP&P's review process continued to work well, and the Committee had concluded that there were no matters in the reviews that had not been dealt with appropriately and that would require the

### **3. Reviews of Academic Programs and Units (cont'd)**

attention of the Agenda Committee or the Academic Board. There had been a full discussion of the Woodsworth College review, which was reflected in the AP&P report. Members of the Agenda Committee agreed that there were no matters arising from the reviews that required consideration by the Academic Board.

### **4. Academic Board Agenda – Tuesday, June 3, 2008**

Members reviewed the agenda for the June 3rd Academic Board meeting. The governance path for approval of two items was discussed. Professor Hillan explained that section 4.3 of the AP&P's terms of reference outlined the Committee's authority to approve changes to academic regulations such as standards of professional behaviour. However, the AP&P Agenda Planning Group had felt it was appropriate for the proposed *Policy on Standards of Professional Practice Behaviour for Health Profession Students* to be forwarded by AP&P to the Academic Board for consideration, with confirmation by the Executive Committee, given the proposed rescission of standards contained in the second part of the motion. The Agenda Committee agreed with the proposal for Academic Board approval with confirmation by the Executive Committee.

Members of the Agenda Committee also agreed that Academic Board consideration followed by Executive Committee confirmation would be sufficient for approval of the rescission of the *Policy on Access to Student Academic Records*. It was unnecessary for the matter to be considered by Governing Council, given that it had previously approved a statement of commitment to the principles of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

The Chair reported that the Striking Committee of the Academic Board had met on May 12, 2008 to consider co-opted memberships on the Board and its standing committees as well as other appointments for which it was responsible. A final appointment would be considered by the Striking Committee prior to submission of its report to the Board on June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### **5. Date of Next Meeting**

Members agreed to meet on June 3, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. immediately prior to the Academic Board meeting to consider some additional academic administrative appointments.

### **6. Other Business**

The Chair noted that Professor Beghtol would be completing her term on the Agenda Committee in June and thanked her for her continued service. He also expressed sincere appreciation to Professor Goel for having contributed greatly to the work of the Committee and wished him well in his future position.

The Committee moved *in camera*.

**7. Academic Administrative Appointments**

On motion duly moved, seconded, and carried

YOUR COMMITTEE APPROVED

the following academic administrative appointments:

**FACULTY OF INFORMATION STUDIES**

Professor Jens-Erik Mai                      Acting Dean  
July 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008

**FACULTY OF LAW**

Professor Jutta Brunnée                      Acting Associate Dean, Graduate Studies  
July 1, 2008 to December 31, 2008

Professor David Dyzenhaus                      Associate Dean, Graduate Studies  
July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2010 (Extension)

**FACULTY OF MEDICINE**

**Department of Biochemistry**

Professor Roy Baker                              Acting Chair and Acting Graduate Chair  
January 1, 2009 to April 30, 2009

**School of Public Health**

Professor Michael Escobar                      Interim Director  
May 1, 2008 to August 31, 2008

**SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES**

**Tri-campus graduate Department of English**

Professor Alan Bewell                              Chair  
July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2013

**UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO AT MISSISSAUGA**

**Department of Anthropology**

Professor Gary Crawford                      Chair  
July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010 (Extension)

**Department of Economics**

Professor Miquel Faig                              Acting Chair  
July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009

**Department of Management**

Professor Hugh Gunz                              Chair  
July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2011 (Re-appointment)

**7. Academic Administrative Appointments (cont'd)**

**LIBRARIAN APPOINTMENT**

Carole Moore

Chief Librarian

July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2011 (Extension)

The Committee returned to open session.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

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Secretary  
May 22, 2008

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Chair