

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO
THE GOVERNING COUNCIL
REPORT 138 OF THE AGENDA COMMITTEE

May 25, 2007

To the Academic Board,
University of Toronto.

Your Committee reports that it held a meeting on Friday, May 25, 2007, at 2:00 p.m. in the Falconer Room, Room 102, Simcoe Hall.

Present: Professor Michael Marrus (In the Chair)
Professor Clare Beghtol
Mr. Ewen Weili Chen
Professor Vivek Goel, Vice-President and Provost
Professor Avrum Gotlieb, Chair, Planning and Budget Committee
Professor Edith Hillan, Vice-Provost, Academic
Professor Mariel O'Neill-Karch
Professor Andrea Sass-Kortsak, Chair, Committee on Academic Policy and Programs

Ms Cristina Oke, Secretary

Regrets: Professor Brian Corman

In Attendance: Mr. Jason Bechtel, Counsel, Office of the Vice-President, Research and Associate Provost
Ms Sheree Drummond, Assistant Provost
Ms Helen Lasthiotakis, Director, Policy and Planning, Office of the Vice-President and Provost
Ms Mae-Yu Tan, Special Projects Officer, Office of the Governing Council
Ms Linda Vranic, Director, Operations, Office of the Vice-President, Research and Associate Provost

1. Report of the Previous Meeting

Report Number 137 of the meeting held on April 17, 2007 was approved.

2. Business Arising

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

3. Academic Board Agenda – June 4, 2007

Members reviewed the agenda for the June 4th meeting. It was decided that the Report of the Striking Committee of the Board would be placed at the end of the agenda. Professor Goel indicated that the President would discuss *Toward 2030*, the visioning exercise that he had initiated to address the long-term direction of the University. Mr. Chen agreed to present the items arising from the Planning and Budget Committee to the Academic Board, as neither the Chair nor the Vice-Chair of the Committee were able to attend the meeting.

4. Date of Next Meeting

The Chair invited discussion on whether the Committee should meet on June 27, 2007 to consider academic administrative appointments. Professor Goel noted that it would be preferable for a meeting to be scheduled earlier in June, to allow appropriate communication of appointments that took effect on July 1, 2007. He requested that reserve dates for the Agenda Committee be included in the 2007-08 meeting schedule from mid-April until the end of May 2008 to facilitate timely approval of academic administrative appointments.

5. Other Business

(a) Summer Executive Authority

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE APPROVED

That the Committee will approve academic administrative appointments by means of an electronic ballot after the Committee's last scheduled meeting of 2006-07 and before its first scheduled meeting in the fall. Approval will require the response of a minimum of five members of the Committee.

Members suggested that a forty-eight hour response period for an electronic ballot was appropriate.

(b) Approval of Appointment of Principal of Woodsworth College

The Chair noted for the record that the following recommendation had been approved by the Agenda Committee by means of an electronic ballot.

On motion duly moved and seconded

YOUR COMMITTEE APPROVED

(a) THAT Professor Joseph Desloges be appointed Principal of Woodsworth College for a term beginning July 1, 2008 until June 30, 2013; and

(b) THAT Professor John Browne be appointed Acting Principal of Woodsworth College for a term beginning July 1, 2007 until June 30, 2008.

The Committee moved *in camera*.

6. Academic Administrative Appointments

On motion duly moved and seconded

YOUR COMMITTEE APPROVED

the following academic administrative appointments:

6. Academic Administrative Appointments (cont'd)

FACULTY OF APPLIED SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

Institute of Biomaterials and Biomedical Engineering

Prof. Christopher M. Yip Interim Director
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008

FACULTY OF ARTS AND SCIENCE

Centre for Environment

Prof. Philip Byer Acting Director
July 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007

Prof. Hilary Cunningham Acting Director
January 1, 2008 to June 30, 2008

Department of East Asian Studies

Prof. Vincent Shen Chair and Graduate Chair
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2012

Department of Italian Studies

Prof. Salvatore Bancheri Acting Chair and Acting Graduate Chair
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008

Department of Geography

Prof. Virginia Maclaren Chair
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2012

Prof. Amrita Daniere Graduate Chair
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2009

Department of Linguistics

Prof. Elan Dresher Chair and Graduate Chair
July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2013

Prof. Diane Massam Chair and Graduate Chair
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008 (Extension)

Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures

Prof. Christina Kramer Chair and Graduate Chair
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2011 (Re-appointment)

Prof. Börje Vähämäki Acting Chair and Acting Graduate Chair
July 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007

Department for the Study of Religion

Prof. John Kloppenborg Chair and Graduate Chair
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2013

6. Academic Administrative Appointments (cont'd)

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES

Graduate Centre for the Study of Drama

Prof. Stephen Johnson Director
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2012

FACULTY OF MEDICINE

Prof. Robert Byrick Vice-Dean, Clinical Affairs
January 1, 2007 to August 31, 2007, or until a
new Vice-Dean is appointed (Extension)

Department of Family and Community Medicine

Prof. James Meuser Interim Chair
July 1, 2007 to August 30, 2007

ONTARIO INSTITUTE FOR STUDIES IN EDUCATION / UT

Department of Sociology and Equity Studies

Prof. Kari Dehli Chair and Graduate Chair
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2010

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO AT MISSISSAUGA

Department of Anthropology

Prof. Jack Sidnell Acting Chair
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008

Department of Mathematical and Computational Sciences

Prof. Gordon Scott Graham Acting Chair
July 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO AT SCARBOROUGH

Department of Computer and Mathematical Sciences

Prof. John Scherk Chair
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2011 (Re-appointment)

Department of Psychology

Prof. John Bassili Chair
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2012

The Committee returned to open session.

Chair's Closing Remarks

The Chair thanked members of the Committee for their work during the past year. He acknowledged the contributions of Professor O'Neill-Karch, who was going on administrative leave effective July 1, 2007, after completing her term as Principal of Woodsworth College, and of Mr. Chen, who was graduating in June 2007.

He wished all members a safe and relaxing summer.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Secretary
May 28, 2007

Chair