



TO: University Affairs Board

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AGENDA ITEM: 6(c)

## **ITEM IDENTIFICATION:**

### **Operating Plans for Student Affairs (St. George Campus)**

## **JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:**

The Terms of Reference of the University Affairs Board provide that the Board is responsible for policy concerning student services and for overseeing their operations. Changes to the level of service offered, fees charged for the services and categories of users require the Board's approval. The Board receives annually from its assessors reports on matters within its areas of responsibility, including statements of current issues, opportunities and problems, along with recommendations for changes in policies, plans or priorities that would address such issues.

Pursuant to the terms of the *Memorandum of Agreement between The University of Toronto, The Students' Administrative Council, The Graduate Students' Union and The Association of Part-time Undergraduate Students for a Long-Term Protocol on the Increase or Introduction of Compulsory Non-tuition Related Fees* (the "Protocol"), approved by Governing Council on October 24, 1996, the Council on Student Services (or the relevant body within a division of the University) reviews in detail the annual operating plans, including budgets and proposed compulsory non-academic incidental fees, and offers its advice to University Affairs Board on these plans.

## **PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:**

The Operating Plans for Student Affairs (St. George Campus) for the current fiscal year were approved by the University Affairs Board on March 23, 2004.

See separate memorandum concerning consideration of the previously proposed plans for 2005-06 by the Council on Student Services (COSS).

The attached plans have not been considered by COSS. However, the proposed fee increases are within the limits provided by the Protocol for consideration by the Board.

**HIGHLIGHTS:**

The experience of this past year and plans for the coming year are summarized in the attached material from the Director of Student Affairs, Susan Addario.

**FINANCIAL AND/OR PLANNING IMPLICATIONS:**

Student Affairs receives some funding from the Vice-Provost, Students, to support policy and governance work performed by the office, and to support some programs (e.g., student crisis response programs and programs and services for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgendered and queer students). However, the office operates without drawing substantially on the University's operating income.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the University Affairs Board approve:

THAT the operating plans and budget for Student Affairs, as described in the attached material from Susan Addario, Director, be approved; and

THAT the sessional fee for a full-time student on the St. George campus be increased to \$22.97 (\$4.59 for a part-time student), which represents an increase of 2.0%.