

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO  
THE GOVERNING COUNCIL  
**REPORT NUMBER 119 OF**  
**THE UNIVERSITY AFFAIRS BOARD**

**February 24, 2004**

To the Governing Council,  
University of Toronto.

Your Board reports that it met on Tuesday, February 24 at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, Simcoe Hall, with the following members present:

Mr. Muhammad Basil Ahmad, Chair  
Dr. Robert M. Bennett, Vice-Chair  
Professor David Farrar, Vice Provost,  
Students

Ms. Anne MacDonald, Director of Ancillary  
Services

Ms Lisa Aldridge

Mr. John Badowski

Mr. Christopher M. Collins

Mr. Mike Foderick

Ms. Margaret Hancock

Professor Bruce Kidd

Ms. Karen Lewis

Professor Michael Marrus

Mr. Sean Mullin

Ms. Parissa Safai

Ms Rebecca Spagnolo

Ms. Maggy Stepanian

**Non-voting Members:**

Ms. Susan Addario, Director of Student Affairs

Ms. Marilyn Van Norman, Director, Student  
Services

Professor Ron Venter, Vice-Provost,  
Space and Facilities Planning

**Office of the Governing Council:**

Mr. Andrew Drummond

Mrs. Beverley Stefureak, Secretary

**Regrets:**

Ms. Murphy Browne

Dr. Shari Graham Fell

Mr. Jason Hunter

Dr. John P. Nestor

Dr. John Wedge

**In Attendance:**

Mr. Jim Delaney, Assistant Director, Student Affairs

Ms. Deanne Fisher, Project Co-ordinator, Office of Student Affairs

Mr. Mark Overton, Dean of Students, University of Toronto at Mississauga

Mr. Ian Simmie, Student Life Development Officer, Office of Student Affairs

ITEM 3 IS RECOMMENDED TO THE GOVERNING COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL.

ALL OTHER ITEMS ARE REPORTED TO THE GOVERNING COUNCIL FOR  
INFORMATION.

**1. Report of the Previous Meeting**

Report Number 118 of November 26, 2003 was approved.

**2. Business Arising from the Report of the Previous Meetings**

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

**3. Capital Project: University of Toronto at Mississauga, Phase 8 Residence – Project Planning Report**

The Chair welcomed Mr. Mark Overton to the meeting for this item.

Professor Venter summarized his memorandum of February 14, 2004. Normally, consideration by the Board of a project planning report for a residence would specify the anticipated room rates upon completion. It was not possible to provide that information for this project at this early stage because sources of funding had not been identified. However, Professor Venter assured the Board that the rates would be competitive to other residence rates at UTM and that, in any event, the project would be returning for further approval once the funding sources were known and rates could be reasonably projected.

There were questions and discussion about rates and the manner in which the substantially lower cost per bed would be achieved. Professor Venter indicated that the cost containment would be achieved with creative design and positioning of common areas so as to reduce the square footage necessary and by preserving and utilizing adjacent common space in the existing facility (Coleman House). He noted that the net assignable square metres for each residence room would be comparable to other residences.

On motion duly moved and seconded,

SUBJECT to the project returning to the University Affairs Board with a clearer understanding of the cost of the accommodations,

**YOUR BOARD CONCURS WITH THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE ACADEMIC BOARD**

SUBJECT to the project returning to Planning and Budget Committee for consideration of further funding sources when those can be identified,

1. THAT the Project Planning Report for the Phase 8 Residence at the University of Toronto at Mississauga [UTM] be approved in principle;

**4. Capital Project: University of Toronto at Mississauga, Phase 8 Residence – Project Planning Report (cont'd.)**

2. THAT the proposed residence be located on the UTM Campus on the site(s) identified for residence accommodation within the UTM Master Campus Plan;
3. THAT the project scope identified in the Project Planning Report, to establish a 418-bed student residence totaling approximately 11,000 gross square meters at an estimated cost of \$26.215 million, be approved;
4. THAT funding in the amount of \$300,000 to initiate the design of the Phase 8 Residence at UTM be from the UTM Operating Budget.

**5. Annual Report 2003-04: Compulsory Non-Academic Incidental Fees**

Professor Farrar summarized his memorandum of February 17, 2004 covering the annual report of the Compulsory Non-Academic Incidental Fees, 2003-04. This was an accountability report but it also represented a useful source of information for the administration and for students. The format of the report had changed slightly this year. Thanks to extraordinary efforts by Mr. Delaney, the fees were broken out to show the tri-mestered assessment.

There was brief discussion about how fees at the University of Toronto compared to those at other universities. Mr. Delaney undertook to refer members to the latest format comparison, commenting that generally this University compares well.

**6. Senior Assessor's Report**

Professor Farrar summarized his written report, which had been circulated with the Agenda. There were no questions.

**7. Other Assessors' Reports**

There were no other assessors' reports.

**8. Other Business**

There was no other business.

The Chair noted that it was the Secretary's last meeting before retirement and graciously thanked her for support to the Chair and to the Board over the past three years. Members expressed their appreciation with applause.

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**8. Next Meeting - Tuesday, March 23, 2004**

The Chair reminded members that the next meeting of the Board was scheduled for Tuesday, March 23, 2004 at 5:00pm.

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

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Secretary

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Chair

February 25, 2004