UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

REPORT 139 OF THE AGENDA COMMITTEE

September 17, 2007

To the Academic Board, University of Toronto.

Your Committee reports that it held a meeting on Monday, September 17, 2007, 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 Avrum Gotlieb, Chair, Planning and Budget Committee ¹ 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 Clare Beghtol Mr. James Janeiro
In Attendance:	Ms Sheree Drummond, Assistant Provost Mr. Matthew Lafond, Committee Secretary, Office of the Governing Council Ms Helen Lasthiotakis, Director, Policy and Planning, Office of the Vice- President and Provost Ms Linda Vranic, Director, Operations, Office of the Vice-President, Research and Associate Provost

Professor Marrus welcomed members to the first meeting of the Committee. He reminded them that the responsibilities of the Committee included directing the flow of business within the Academic Board structure, carefully reviewing documentation and items of business that would be presented to the Board, and approving academic administrative appointments on behalf of the Board.

Professor Goel commented on the Committee's function of approval of academic administrative appointments, stating that it received and discussed additional information about search processes that could not be provided to the full Academic Board. The improved process, which had been implemented in February, 2006, facilitated more timely appointments. Reserve Committee meeting dates had been scheduled for Spring, 2008 in anticipation of additional academic appointments that typically occur prior to July 1st.

1. Report of the Previous Meeting

Report Number 138 of the meeting held on May 25, 2007 was approved.

¹ Absent for consideration of 2nd academic administrative appointment. 39482

2. Business Arising

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

3. Report on Approvals Under Summer Executive Authority

The Chair reminded members that at the May 25, 2007 meeting, the Committee had approved approval of academic administrative appointments by means of an electronic ballot until the first meeting of the Committee in Fall, 2007. Members had been asked to respond within a forty-eight hour period and approval of an appointment had required the response of a minimum of five members of the Committee.

The following academic administrative appointments had been approved under the Agenda Committee's summer executive authority by means of an electronic ballot:

FACULTY OF ARTS AND SCIENCE

Prof. Suzanne Stevenson	Vice-Dean Students July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2010
<u>Centre for Medieval Studies</u>	Acting Director
Prof. Lawrin Armstrong	July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008
Prof. John Magee	Director July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2013
<u>Cinema Studies Institute</u>	Director
Professor Charles Keil	July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2013
Department of Art	Interim Chair and Graduate Chair
Prof. Mark A. Cheetham	July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008
Department of Mathematics	Chair and Graduate Chair
Prof. Kumar Murty	July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2011
Prof. Jeremy Quastel	Acting Chair and Acting Graduate Chair July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008

3. Report on Approvals Under Summer Executive Authority (cont'd)

FACULTY OF ARTS AND SCIENCE (cont'd)

<u>Department of Statistics</u> Prof. Keith Knight	Chair and Graduate Chair July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008 (Extension)			
Prof. James Stafford	Chair and Graduate Chair July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2013			
Department of Spanish and Portuguese				
Prof. Ricardo Sternberg	Acting Chair and Acting Graduate Chair July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008			
FACULTY OF DENTISTRY				
Dr. Grace Bradley	Interim Associate Dean, Biological and Diagnostic Sciences September 1, 2007 until August 31, 2008, or until a permanent appointment is made.			
FACULTY OF LAW				
Prof. Anita Anand	Associate Dean, J.D. Program August 13, 2007 to June 30, 2009			
Prof. Sujit Choudhry	Associate Dean, First Year Program January 1, 2008 to December 31, 2010			
Prof. Catherine Valcke	Interim Associate Dean, First Year Program August 15, 2007 to December 31, 2007			
FACULTY OF MEDICINE				
Prof. John Bohnen	Vice-Dean, Clinical Affairs September 1, 2007 to June 30, 2012			
Prof. Peter Lewis	Vice-Dean, Research and International Relations July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2012 (Re-appointment)			
Prof. David McKnight	Associate Dean, Equity and Professionalism July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2012			
<u>Department of Biochemistry</u> Prof. Reinhart Reithmeier	Chair and Graduate Chair July 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007 or until the position is filled (Extension)			

3. Report on Approvals Under Summer Executive Authority (cont'd)

FACULTY OF MEDICINE (cont'd)

Department of Family and Community Medicine				
Prof. Lynn Wilson	Chair ²			
	September 1, 2007 to December 31, 2012			
Department of Health Policy, Management and Evaluation				
Prof. Louise Lemieux-Charles	Chair and Graduate Chair			
	July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2012 (Re-appointment)			
Department of Medical Imaging				
Prof. Patrice Bret	Chair			
	July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2012			
Department of Otolaryngology				
Prof. Patrick Gullane	Chair			
	July 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007 or until the position			
	is filled (Extension)			
Department of Public Health Sciences	S			
Prof. Michael Escobar	Interim Chair and Graduate Chair			
	July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008 or until the position is filled			
UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO AT MISSISSAUGA				
<u>Department of Historical Studies</u>				
Prof. Robert Johnson	Chair			
	July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2010			
UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO AT SCARBOROUGH				
Prof. John Scherk	Interim Vice-Dean			
	July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008			
Department of Biological Sciences				
Prof. Greg Vanlerberghe	Interim Chair			
	July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008			
4. Reviews of Academic Programs and Units				

4. **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 the summary of the Reviews and the Report of the May 25, 2007 meeting of the Committee on Academic Policy and Programs (AP&P) at which the reviews had been discussed.

² Secretary's Note: Documentation circulated to the Agenda Committee on June 20, 2007 incorrectly noted the proposed academic administrative appointment of Professor Lynn Wilson as Chair and Graduate Chair of the Department of Family and Community Medicine from July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2012. However, the appointment was solely for Chair of that department.

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

Professor Hillan reported that the Committee on Academic Policy and Programs had considered twenty-two reviews that had been commissioned by the University. This group of reviews was the first to take place under the revised policy on reviews of academic programs that had come into effect on September 1, 2005. In Professor Hillan's opinion, the process had worked well. Many of the reviewers had commented positively on the quality of the programs, and had noted the favorable emphasis on the student experience within the University. Professor Hillan concluded by noting that the minutes of the Committee on Academic Policy and Programs accurately reflected the level of discussion that had occurred, and they had been approved by the Committee at its meeting on September 10, 2007.

5. Academic Board Agenda – Tuesday, October 2, 2007

Members reviewed the agenda for the October 2^{nd} meeting. It was agreed that the Chair's introductory remarks would emphasize the importance of having an informed, respectful discussion at the Board level. Whenever possible, appropriate guests would be invited to attend meetings of the Board to speak to the items of business at hand.

6. Date of Next Meeting

The Chair reminded members that the next meeting would be held on Wednesday, October 31, 2007 at 2:00 p.m.

7. Other Business

There were no items of Other Business.

The Committee moved in camera.

8. Striking Committee, 2007-08: Appointment

On motion duly moved and seconded

YOUR COMMITTEE APPROVED

The following membership of the Striking Committee of the Academic Board for 2007-08:

Professor Michael R. Marrus (Chair) Professor Brian Corman Professor Vivek Goel Ms Bonnie Goldberg, administrative/professional staff Ms Jemy Joseph, full-time undergraduate student Miss Maureen Somerville, alumna

9. Academic Administrative Appointments

On motion duly moved and seconded

YOUR COMMITTEE APPROVED

the following academic administrative appointments:

FACULTY OF APPLIED SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

Department of Civil Engineering	
Prof. Eric Miller	Interim Chair and Graduate Chair
	September 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007 or until a chair is appointed
FACULTY OF MEDICINE	
Department of Laboratory Medicine and Pathology	

Department of Laboratory Medicine and PathologyProf. Avrum GotliebChair and Graduate Chair
January 1, 2008 to June 30, 2008 (Extension)

Department of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy		
Prof. Helene Polatajko	Chair and Graduate Chair	
	January 1, 2008 to June 30, 2008 (Extension)	

Graduate Department of Rehabilitation Sciences		
Prof. Helene Polatajko	Graduate Chair	
	January 1, 2008 to June 30, 2008 (Extension)	

FACULTY OF ARCHITECTURE, LANDSCAPE, AND DESIGN

Prof. George Baird

Dean July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009 (Extension)

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO AT MISSISSAUGA

Prof. Gage Averill

Vice-Principal, Academic and Dean October 15, 2007 – June 30, 2013

The Committee returned to open session.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Secretary September 24, 2007 Chair