

University of Toronto Faculty of Forestry

TO: Academic Board

SPONSOR: C Tattersall Smith, Dean

Faculty of Forestry of the University of Toronto

DATE: November 20, 2007 for January 31, 2008

AGENDA ITEM: 5

ITEM IDENTIFICATION:

Faculty of Forestry of the University of Toronto: Amendment to the Constitution

VI: Membership of the Council:

Add to the list of *Ex Officio* members of the Council: – "Dean of the Faculty of Arts & Science, or designate."

JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:

Section 5.2.2 of the Academic Board's terms of reference calls for new or revised divisional constitutions to be considered by the Board, and confirmed by the Executive Committee.

PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

A revised Constitution of the Faculty of Forestry was approved by the Academic Board on October 4, 2006, and confirmed by the Executive Committee on October 18, 2006.

This amendment to the constitution was approved by Faculty Council on April 17, 2007, and by the Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Science on June 14, 2007. The voting membership of the Faculty Council includes one undergraduate student from the Forest Conservation Programs in the Faculty of Arts and Science.

HIGHLIGHTS:

This amendment will ensure that the Faculty of Forestry's governance linkage with the Faculty of Arts and Science is visible and that membership of the Dean of Arts and Science on Council is formalized. Students in the undergraduate Forest Conservation Programs leading to a B.Sc. or B.A. degree are registered with the Faculty of Arts and Science, and so it is appropriate for the Dean of Arts and Science, or a designate, to be on Forestry's Faculty Council. The presence of Forestry on the curriculum committee of the Faculty of Arts and Science is already established, so formal links are reciprocal.

FINANCIAL AND/OR PLANNING IMPLICATIONS: N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the above amendment to the Constitution of the Faculty of Forestry of the University of Toronto, be approved by the Academic Board and confirmed by the Executive Committee.