# UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

### THE UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO SCARBOROUGH CAMPUS COUNCIL

### **REPORT NUMBER 1 OF THE CAMPUS COUNCIL**

**October 8, 2013** 

Professor William Gough, Chair Ms Judy Goldring, Chair of the Governing Council Professor Meric Gertler, President-Designate Professor Franco Vaccarino, Vice-President & Principal Mr. Preet Banerjee Mr. Asher Chohan Mr. Luki Danukarjanto Mr. Adrian De Leon Professor Suzanne Erb Ms Kathy Fellowes Ms Sue Graham-Nutter Mr. Roshan Gunapalasundaram Dr. Brian Harrington Mr. John Kapageridis Dr. Elaine Khoo

Mr. Mark Krembil Ms Nancy Lee Mr. Hussain Masoom Ms Alyssa Moses Dr. Christopher Ollson Professor Stephen Rockel Dr. Effie Sauer Ms Elaine Thompson Mr. Andrew Arifuzzaman (Chief Administrative Officer)

Secretariat: Mr. Louis Charpentier Mr. Jim Delaney Ms Sheree Drummond Ms Amorell Saunders N'Daw Ms Rena Parsan

### Absent:

Ms Sara Allain Ms Marilyn Kwan

#### In attendance:

Professor Malcolm Campbell, Vice-Principal, Research
Ms Lesley Lewis, Assistant Dean
Ms Kim Richards, Director, Human Resources Services
Mr. Desmond Pouyat, Dean of Student Affairs
Ms Georgette Zinaty, Executive Director, Development and Alumni Relations
Professor Bernie Kraatz, Chair, Department of Physical and Environmental Sciences
Professor Julian Lowman, Associate Chair of Physics, Department of Physical and
Environmental Sciences
Professor Kristen Menou, Associate Professor of Physics and Astrophysics, Department of Physical and Environmental Sciences
Mr. Guled Arale, Scarborough Campus Students' Union, Vice-President, External

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Mr. Amir Bashir, Scarborough Campus Students' Union, Executive Director Mr. Tahsin Chowdhury, Scarborough Campus Students' Union, Vice-President, Student Life Ms Yusra Khogali, Scarborough Campus Students' Union, Vice-President Equity Ms Alice Lu, Scarborough Campus Students' Union, Vice-President, Operations Ms Ranziba Nehrin, Scarborough Campus Students' Union, Vice-President Academic Ms Sarah Worku, Scarborough Campus Student's Union, President and CEO

# 1. Chair's Remarks

The Chair welcomed guests to the inaugural meeting of the University of Toronto Scarborough Campus Council meeting. He emphasized that this was a special moment in governance at the University of Toronto Scarborough. The Chair introduced the Assessor, Non-voting Assessor, and members of the Secretariat. A special introduction was given to the Chair of Governing Council, Ms Judy Golding and President-Designate, Professor Meric Gertler. The Chair called upon each of them to give brief remarks.

### 2. Orientation

The Chair along with the Secretary of Governing Council gave an orientation presentation, which highlighted the following:

- The origin of the Campus Council and its Standing Committees;
- The mandate and Terms of Reference of the Council;
- The distinction between Administration and Governance;
- The responsibilities of Members;
- The Rules of Order; and
- The Calendar of Business

### 3. Report of the Vice-President and Principal

The Chair invited the Vice-President and Principal to give his report. The Vice-President and Principal welcomed and thanked members for attending the meeting. He welcomed the student leaders from the Scarborough Campus Students' Union (SCSU) and invited Sarah Worku, President of the SCSU to address the Council. Ms Worku thanked the Chair for the opportunity to speak and provided a brief overview of the SCSU, including its mandate, organizational structure, and its priorities and successes. Ms Worku also introduced the SCSU Executive team. The Vice-President and Principal thanked Ms Worku and her team for the work that they were doing on behalf of UTSC students.

The Vice-President and Principal commented that in keeping with the inaugural theme that he would discuss UTSC in a broader context. He said that great emphasis was placed on UTSC's history of looking forward and investing in directions that were on the forefront of new thinking and ideas. The two historical examples he offered were the International Development Studies program and Co-op Education. The Vice-President and Principal highlighted the strategic

direction of UTSC and focused on five key points:

- Incubating and creating new and emerging fields of scholarship that cut across traditional disciplinary boundaries;
- The creation of experiential and international learning opportunities;
- Fostering sustainable growth by developing the Northern part of the UTSC campus;
- Community engagement and valuable partnerships that "lift" the campus and help it achieve its goals and mandates; and
- Building global identity as a campus.

The Vice-President and Principal concluded by stating that the creation of the Campus Councils solidified the tri-campus system, and properly connected the University of Toronto Scarborough and University of Toronto Mississauga with institutional governance.

There were no questions for the Vice-President and Principal.

# 4. Proposal to Establish the Centre for Planetary Sciences as an Extra Departmental Unit (EDU: C)

The Chair welcomed the faculty members from the Department of Physical and Environmental Sciences, and invited Ms Sue Graham-Nutter, Chair of the Campus Affairs Committee, to introduce the item.

In the discussion a member asked how the Centre fit in the long term plan for the University of Toronto Scarborough. Professor Lowman explained that it was a tri-campus initiative, and the Vice-President and Principal commented that the Centre was a welcome fit within the Department of Physical and Environmental Sciences at the University of Toronto Scarborough and was an emerging field of scholarship. A member asked at what point the Centre would transfer from dependence on seed funding to being self-sufficient. The Vice-President and Principal responded by stating that, while a specific timeline could not be confirmed, there was an institutional process in place for fundraising and that the Centre would be included in this. A member asked if there were other examples of Centres that received seed funding from the Dean's Office, and the Chair pointed to the Centre for Ethnography and the Centre for Neuroscience. A member asked what an Extra Departmental Unit (EDU) was, and the Chair explained that an EDU was a multi- or interdisciplinary unit that existed outside of a departmental structure and provided examples (Appendix 1). A member asked what would be the impact of not approving the Centre, and Professor Kraatz responded that the formal creation of the Centre was the culmination of a longer process that had already been undertaken whereby three faculty members had been hired. Professor Kraatz also noted that the Centre would unite Physicists and other scientists on all three campuses.

On motion, duly moved and seconded,

IT WAS RESOLVED

THAT the creation of the Centre for Planetary Sciences be approved effective immediately.

### 5. Revisions to the Policy on Capital Planning and Capital Projects

At the invitation of the Chair Mr. Louis Charpentier provided a brief overview of the proposed revisions to the *Policy*. He explained that capital projects with a project budget over \$3 million and up to \$10 million (Approval Level 2) would be considered by the Campus Affairs Committee rather than by the Planning and Budget Committee, following this they would proceed to the Academic Board for final consideration. For capital projects with a project budget above \$10 million (Approval Level 3), the same process would occur but projects would proceed to Governing Council following the Academic Board. There were no proposed changes to the approvals for capital projects with a project budget under \$3 million (Approval Level 1). Mr. Charpentier indicated that projects that required borrowing would continue go to the Business Board for consideration. All projects above \$3 million would require approval of the Business Board for execution.

### 6. Calendar of Business, 2013-14

The Chair advised members that the proposed Calendar of Business for 2013-2014 had been included in the agenda package. He emphasized that the document would be updated on the Office of the Campus Council website. Members were encouraged to review the calendar of business on a regular basis.

### 7. Reports for Information

Members received the following reports for information:

- a. Report Number 1 of the Academic Affairs Committee (September 10, 2013)
- b. Report Number 1 of the Campus Affairs Committee (September 17, 2013)

The Chair invited Ms Kathy Fellowes, Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee and Ms Sue Graham-Nutter, Chair of the Campus Affairs Committee, to provide a brief summary of the meetings that took place in September. Ms Kathy Fellowes reported that the Academic Affairs Committee had one item of business for approval, which was the Academic Appeals Subcommittee Establishment. Ms Sue Graham- Nutter reported that the Campus Affairs Committee recommended for approval to the UTSC Campus Council the Proposal to establish the Centre for Planetary Sciences as an EDU: C. She also highlighted the presentation made by the Chief Administrative Officer on the governance structure of the Toronto Pan Am Sports Centre (TPASC).

### 8. Date of the Next Meeting- Tuesday December 10, 2013

The Chair reminded members that the next scheduled meeting of the Council was Tuesday December 10, 2013 at 4:00 p.m. in the University of Toronto Scarborough Council Chamber, Arts and Administration Building.

# 9. Question Period

There were no questions raised.

### **10. Other Business**

No other business was raised.

The meeting adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

Secretary

Chair

October 11, 2013