

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

REPORT NUMBER 82 OF THE ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

May 15, 2018

To the Executive Committee,
University of Toronto

Your Committee reports that it met on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. in the King's College Room, Simcoe Hall, with the following members present:

Salvatore Spadafora
Jeff Collins*
Keith Thomas*
Aidan Fishman

Regrets

P.C. Choo

Secretariat:

Anwar Kazimi, Chief Returning Officer (CRO)
Cindy Ferencz-Hammond, Deputy Returning Officer (DRO), UTM*
Patrick McNeill, DRO, St. George
Rena Prashad, Governance Coordinator, UTSC*
Amorell Saunders N'Daw, DRO, UTSC

**Participated by teleconference*

ALL ITEMS ARE REPORTED TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR INFORMATION.

1. Report for the 2018 Elections for the Governing Council, the Academic Board, University of Toronto Mississauga and University of Toronto Scarborough Campus Councils and their Standing Committees

The Chair stated that there was considerable work related to election matters for the multiple constituencies for the Governing Council and Academic Board elections, as well, for the UTM and UTSC Campus Council and their Standing Committees. He added that, despite the complexity and multi-faceted nature of the 2018 elections, the process had run smoothly and was successfully completed.

The Chair invited the CRO to present the *2018 Elections Report*.

Mr. Kazimi stated that the contents of the *Report* were consistent with previous reports from the last several years. No significant issues had been identified. There was a requirement for the

Elections Committee in their role as *Election Overseers* to meet once.

Members discussed the ongoing challenges regarding voter turn-out. The University would continue to undertake outreach efforts across the three campuses to engage campus groups, student leaders, divisions and others to promote participation; as well as examine creative communication approaches, both during the nomination and voting periods.

The Chair thanked the CRO, the Deputy Returning Officers and UTSC Governance Coordinator for their efforts.

2. Report of the Previous Meeting - Report Number 81 (February 14, 2018)

On motion duly made, seconded and carried

IT WAS RESOLVED

THAT the Report of the previous meeting be approved.

3. Business Arising from the Report of the Previous Meeting

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

4. Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 27, 2018, 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

5. Other Business

There was no other business.

The Committee moved *In Camera*.

Mr. Kazimi offered comments on a matter concerning campaign materials.

The Committee moved back to open session.

The Chair thanked members, the CRO, DROs and Secretariat for their contributions over the past year, and expressed appreciation for the guidance provided.

The meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Secretary

Chair

May 20, 2018