UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

COLLEGE OF ELECTORS

Minutes of the College of Electors meeting held on Wednesday, September 26, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. in Council Chamber, Simcoe Hall, University of Toronto.

Present:
Corwin Cambray, (UTAA) (Chair)   Doris Kalamut (Pharmacy)
Nadine Ibrahim (Engineering) (Vice-Chair)   Paul Lindblad (New College)
Neville Austin (Faculty of Music)   Amy Matchen (University College)
Judy Beamish (Medicine)   Nikoletta Papadopoulos (OISE)
Leslie A. Boehm (DLSPH)   Robert A. Patrick (Innis College)
Keith Chen (UTSC)   David F. Poirier (Engineering)
Taleen Chouljian (Rotman)   Igor Siljanovski (New College)
Sandra Comisarow (Nursing)   Maureen L. Simpson (Trinity College)
Perry Cooper (Medicine)   J. Alison Stirling (Information)
Demetra Dimokopoulos (UTM)   Matthew Stodolak (OISE)
Jennifer Dolman (University College)   Stephen Tardif (St. Michael’s College)
Cynthia Elson (Victoria College)   Emily VanBerkum (St. Michael's)
Beverley Giblon (Physical Therapy)   Anne Venton (OISE)
Jason Glover (UTSC)   Bryon Wilfert (UTSC)
Oliver Jerschow (University College)

Secretariat:
Sheree Drummond, Secretary of the Governing Council
Patrick McNeill, Secretary

Regrets:
Dan Acheson (Woodsworth College)
Josephine L. Comegna (Victoria College)
Daniel J. Correia
Kevin Golding (UTM)
Sana Halwani (Law)
Paul Haynes (Victoria College)
Nancy E. Hill (Engineering)
Sean Kiefte (Woodsworth)
Tracey King (OISE)
Joel Leon (Architecture)
Rachele Levin (Forestry)
Michael Masson (UTM)
Victoria McNally (St. Michael's)
Sheila V. Neuburger (Social Work)
Lesley Pollard (Dentistry)
Dorinda So (UTSC)
Michael Stargiannis (Engineering)
John Whittall (Trinity)
Guests:
Harvey Botting, Alumni Governor
Gary Goldberg, Alumni Governor
Andrew Szende, Alumni Governor
Bruce Winter, Alumni Governor
Samra Zafar, Alumni Governor
Barbara Dick, Assistant Vice-President, Alumni Relations
Geeta Yadav, Former COE Chair

1. Chair’s Remarks

The Chair welcomed members and guests to the first College of Electors meeting for 2018-2019 and invited introductions for the new members present.

2. Orientation

A three-part orientation was provided for members. Sheree Drummond, Secretary of the Governing Council, spoke about governance at the University and the role of the College within University governance; Barbara Dick, Assistant Vice-President, Alumni Relations, provided an overview of alumni relations at the University, including alumni engagement activities; the Chair and Vice-Chair outlined the specific functions of the College and the milestones for the coming year.

The Chair emphasized that each member of the College played an important role in governance throughout the year. The College represented all University alumni, not just constituent alumni, and it was responsible for considering the needs of the entire University. The Chair also stated that members were responsible for contributing to an increased awareness within the University community of the College, the Governing Council, and the work of alumni members of the Governing Council. Members were encouraged to provide regular updates about the work of the College to their constituent alumni associations.

The Chair noted that at the next meeting, the Chair of the Governing Council, the President of the University of Toronto, and the President of the University of Toronto Alumni Association would address the College regarding the attributes being sought for the three (3) Alumni Governor seats that the College would elect in 2019.

On behalf of the College, the Chair thanked Ms Drummond and Ms Dick for their presentations.
3. Call for Nominations for the 2018-2019 Nominating Committee for Alumni Governors

The Chair explained that one of the College’s standing committees was the Nominating Committee for Alumni Governors (NC-AG), which comprised of the five members of the Executive Committee and three members elected annually by and from among the College. The functions of the NC-AG included the assessment of potential alumni governors relative to existing or projected needs within governance, in consultation with the College; interviewing the candidates; and providing the College with a list and report of recommended candidates for election under the provisions of the College’s Constitution.

The Chair stated that nominations from interested members would be accepted until Wednesday, October 10, 2018. He invited members to nominate themselves or another member for one of the three seats on the Committee. The Executive Committee would review the nominations and prepare a recommended slate for the College, to be considered at the November 12, 2018 meeting.

One former member of the NC-AG recounted their positive experience of having served on the Committee.

CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion duly moved, seconded and carried

YOUR BOARD APPROVED

THAT the consent agenda be adopted and items approved.

4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting – May 2, 2018

The minutes of the meeting of May 2, 2018 were approved.

5. Business Arising from the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

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

6. College of Electors – Schedule of Meetings 2018-2019

Members received the 2018-2019 meeting schedule for information. It was proposed that the February 14, 2019 scheduled meeting be moved to another date. The Secretary would explore an alternative date.
7. Date of Next Meeting

The Chair reminded members that the next meeting would be held on Monday, November 12, 2018 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

8. Other Business

**Governing Council Calendar of Business (Fall 2018)**

Members reviewed the highlights of the items of business that would be considered by the Governing Council’s Boards, Campus Councils and Committees prior to the end of the year. The Chair encouraged attendance at the Governing Council (GC) meeting and noted that the entire calendar of business was posted on the GC website and was updated every Friday. The next Governing Council meeting would be held on Thursday, October 25, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

**Recognition of Former Chair, Dr. Geeta Yadav**

The Chair expressed appreciation to Dr. Yadav for her outstanding service during her tenure as Chair of the College (2016-2018). He observed that members’ feedback on the evaluation survey had confirmed her effectiveness as Chair.

Mr. Cambray thanked Dr. Yadav on behalf of the College and presented her with a chair with a plaque which read:

“In recognition of exemplary service and leadership as Chair of the College of Electors 2016 – 2018”

Dr. Yadav stated that the time on the College had been tremendously rewarding and that it was her honor to serve. She thanked members for their support; members applauded Dr. Yadav.

9. Adjournment

The Chair invited members and guests to a reception that followed the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

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Secretary Chair
September 27, 2018