

**UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO**  
**THE GOVERNING COUNCIL**  
**REPORT 138 OF THE AGENDA COMMITTEE**

**May 25, 2007**

To the Academic Board,  
University of Toronto.

Your Committee reports that it held a meeting on Friday, May 25, 2007, at 2:00 p.m. in the Falconer Room, Room 102, Simcoe Hall.

Present: Professor Michael Marrus (In the Chair)  
Professor Clare Beghtol  
Mr. Ewen Weili Chen  
Professor Vivek Goel, Vice-President and Provost  
Professor Avrum Gotlieb, Chair, Planning and Budget Committee  
Professor Edith Hillan, Vice-Provost, Academic  
Professor Mariel O'Neill-Karch  
Professor Andrea Sass-Kortsak, Chair, Committee on Academic Policy and Programs

Regrets: Professor Brian Corman  
  
Ms Cristina Oke, Secretary

In Attendance: Mr. Jason Bechtel, Counsel, Office of the Vice-President, Research and Associate Provost  
Ms Sheree Drummond, Assistant Provost  
Ms Helen Lasthiotakis, Director, Policy and Planning, Office of the Vice-President and Provost  
Ms Mae-Yu Tan, Special Projects Officer, Office of the Governing Council  
Ms Linda Vranic, Director, Operations, Office of the Vice-President, Research and Associate Provost

**1. Report of the Previous Meeting**

Report Number 137 of the meeting held on April 17, 2007 was approved.

**2. Business Arising**

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

**3. Academic Board Agenda – June 4, 2007**

Members reviewed the agenda for the June 4th meeting. It was decided that the Report of the Striking Committee of the Board would be placed at the end of the agenda. Professor Goel indicated that the President would discuss *Toward 2030*, the visioning exercise that he had initiated to address the long-term direction of the University. Mr. Chen agreed to present the items arising from the Planning and Budget Committee to the Academic Board, as neither the Chair nor the Vice-Chair of the Committee were able to attend the meeting.

#### **4. Date of Next Meeting**

The Chair invited discussion on whether the Committee should meet on June 27, 2007 to consider academic administrative appointments. Professor Goel noted that it would be preferable for a meeting to be scheduled earlier in June, to allow appropriate communication of appointments that took effect on July 1, 2007. He requested that reserve dates for the Agenda Committee be included in the 2007-08 meeting schedule from mid-April until the end of May 2008 to facilitate timely approval of academic administrative appointments.

#### **5. Other Business**

##### **(a) Summer Executive Authority**

On motion duly moved and seconded,

YOUR COMMITTEE APPROVED

That the Committee will approve academic administrative appointments by means of an electronic ballot after the Committee's last scheduled meeting of 2006-07 and before its first scheduled meeting in the fall. Approval will require the response of a minimum of five members of the Committee.

Members suggested that a forty-eight hour response period for an electronic ballot was appropriate.

##### **(b) Approval of Appointment of Principal of Woodsworth College**

The Chair noted for the record that the following recommendation had been approved by the Agenda Committee by means of an electronic ballot.

On motion duly moved and seconded

YOUR COMMITTEE APPROVED

(a) THAT Professor Joseph Desloges be appointed Principal of Woodsworth College for a term beginning July 1, 2008 until June 30, 2013; and

(b) THAT Professor John Browne be appointed Acting Principal of Woodsworth College for a term beginning July 1, 2007 until June 30, 2008.

The Committee moved *in camera*.

#### **6. Academic Administrative Appointments**

On motion duly moved and seconded

YOUR COMMITTEE APPROVED

the following academic administrative appointments:

**6. Academic Administrative Appointments (cont'd)**

**FACULTY OF APPLIED SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING**

**Institute of Biomaterials and Biomedical Engineering**

Prof. Christopher M. Yip Interim Director  
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008

**FACULTY OF ARTS AND SCIENCE**

**Centre for Environment**

Prof. Philip Byer Acting Director  
July 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007

Prof. Hilary Cunningham Acting Director  
January 1, 2008 to June 30, 2008

**Department of East Asian Studies**

Prof. Vincent Shen Chair and Graduate Chair  
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2012

**Department of Italian Studies**

Prof. Salvatore Bancheri Acting Chair and Acting Graduate Chair  
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008

**Department of Geography**

Prof. Virginia Maclaren Chair  
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2012

Prof. Amrita Daniere Graduate Chair  
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2009

**Department of Linguistics**

Prof. Elan Dresher Chair and Graduate Chair  
July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2013

Prof. Diane Massam Chair and Graduate Chair  
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008 (Extension)

**Department of Slavic Languages and Literatures**

Prof. Christina Kramer Chair and Graduate Chair  
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2011 (Re-appointment)

Prof. Börje Vähämäki Acting Chair and Acting Graduate Chair  
July 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007

**Department for the Study of Religion**

Prof. John Kloppenborg Chair and Graduate Chair  
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2013

**6. Academic Administrative Appointments (cont'd)**

**SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES**

**Graduate Centre for the Study of Drama**

Prof. Stephen Johnson Director  
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2012

**FACULTY OF MEDICINE**

Prof. Robert Byrick Vice-Dean, Clinical Affairs  
January 1, 2007 to August 31, 2007, or until a  
new Vice-Dean is appointed (Extension)

**Department of Family and Community Medicine**

Prof. James Meuser Interim Chair  
July 1, 2007 to August 30, 2007

**ONTARIO INSTITUTE FOR STUDIES IN EDUCATION / UT**

**Department of Sociology and Equity Studies**

Prof. Kari Dehli Chair and Graduate Chair  
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2010

**UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO AT MISSISSAUGA**

**Department of Anthropology**

Prof. Jack Sidnell Acting Chair  
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008

**Department of Mathematical and Computational Sciences**

Prof. Gordon Scott Graham Acting Chair  
July 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007

**UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO AT SCARBOROUGH**

**Department of Computer and Mathematical Sciences**

Prof. John Scherk Chair  
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2011 (Re-appointment)

**Department of Psychology**

Prof. John Bassili Chair  
July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2012

The Committee returned to open session.

**Chair's Closing Remarks**

The Chair thanked members of the Committee for their work during the past year. He acknowledged the contributions of Professor O'Neill-Karch, who was going on administrative leave effective July 1, 2007, after completing her term as Principal of Woodsworth College, and of Mr. Chen, who was graduating in June 2007.

He wished all members a safe and relaxing summer.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Secretary  
May 28, 2007

Chair