

**UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO**

**THE GOVERNING COUNCIL**

**REPORT 150 OF THE AGENDA COMMITTEE**

**January 27, 2009**

To the Academic Board,  
University of Toronto.

Your Committee reports that it held a meeting on Tuesday, January 27, 2009, at 2:00 p.m. in the Forster Room, Room 229, Simcoe Hall.

Present: Professor Michael Marrus (Chair)  
Professor Brian Corman  
Professor Ragnar Buchweitz  
Professor Avrum Gotlieb Chair, Planning and Budget Committee  
Professor Cheryl Misak, Interim Vice-President and Provost  
Professor Rick Halpern  
Professor Edith Hillan, Vice-Provost, Academic  
Ms Pamela Santora

Ms Mae-Yu Tan, Secretary

Regrets: Professor Andrea Sass-Kortsak

In Attendance: Ms Sheree Drummond, Assistant Provost  
Ms Helen Lasthiotakis, Director, Policy and Planning, Office of the Vice-President and Provost

The Chair congratulated Professor Misak on her appointment as Vice-President and Provost for a term from February 1, 2009 to June 30, 2012.

**1. Report of the Previous Meeting**

Report Number 149 of the meeting held on December 1, 2008 was approved.

**2. Business Arising**

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

**3. Approvals by Electronic Ballot**

The Chair noted that since the Committee's last meeting of December 1, 2008, there had been need, because of time constraints, to consider two academic administrative appointments by means of an electronic ballot. He read the motion from the ballot, which had been approved by the Agenda Committee on December 15, 2008, into the record in order to note the approvals.

**3. Approvals by Electronic Ballot (cont'd)**

On motion duly moved, seconded, and carried,

YOUR COMMITTEE APPROVED

the following academic administrative appointments:

**FACULTY OF ARTS AND SCIENCE**

**Mark S. Bonham Centre for Sexual Diversity Studies**

Dr. Scott Rayter

Acting Director

January 1, 2009 to June 30, 2009 (Extension)

**UNIVERSITY COLLEGE**

Professor Philip Sohm

Vice-Principal – University College

July 1, 2009 to December 31, 2011 (Re-appointment)

**4. Academic Board Agenda – Thursday, February 5, 2009**

Members reviewed the agenda for the February 5th Academic Board meeting. Dr. Gotlieb reported that a special meeting of the Planning and Budget Committee had been called for Wednesday, February 4, 2009 to consider the proposal to recommend to the Academic Board that the 245 College Street property be declared surplus to University requirements. This item had originally been presented at the Committee's meeting of January 21<sup>st</sup>. If the proposal was approved, the item would be considered by the Board the following day. Members commented on the importance of minutes of the standing committees in providing Board members with a summary of discussions that occurred at committee meetings.

**5. Date of Next Meeting**

The Chair stated that the next meeting would be held on Tuesday, March 17, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. in the Forster Room.

**6. Other Business**

Members provided feedback on a pilot project that allowed them to access confidential meeting documentation from a secure website. Some members had found the process required in order to open files to be somewhat cumbersome and noted that instructions had not been provided for Macintosh computer users. The Chair commented that the provision of such a service could be useful for members who preferred to access documents electronically rather than receive hard copies of agenda packages. Some suggestions for improvements were made and members agreed to test the process again, once it had been refined.

The Committee moved *in camera*.

**7. Academic Administrative Appointments**

On motion duly moved and seconded

YOUR COMMITTEE APPROVED

the following academic administrative appointments:

**FACULTY OF MEDICINE**

Professor Mark Hanson                      Associate Dean, Undergraduate Medicine Admissions and  
Student Finances, Faculty of Medicine  
April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2014

**UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO AT MISSISSAUGA**

**Department of Philosophy**

Professor Amy Mullin                      Chair  
July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2012 (Re-appointment)

Professor Sergio Tenenbaum              Acting Chair  
July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010

**UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO AT SCARBOROUGH**

Professor Mark Schmuckler              Interim Vice Principal, Research  
February 1, 2009 to June 30, 2009 or until the  
appointment of a Vice Principal, Research, whichever  
comes first.

The Committee returned to open session.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

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Secretary  
January 27, 2009

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Chair