The UNIVERSITY of WESTERN ONTARIO

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SENATE

Friday, December 9, 2011

The meeting was held at 1:30 p.m. in Room 1R40, Richard Ivey School of Business.

SENATORS: 62

J. Aitken Schermer
J. Barnett
J. Bend
C. Beynon
I. Birrell
J. Boulter
S. Camiletti
T. Carmichael
L. Davies
J. Deakin
C. Dean
J. Doerksen
B. Duncan
W. Dunn
L. Elliott
J. Etherington
C. Farber
A. Fearnall
N. Ferris
B. Garcia
K. Goldthorp
J. Holmes
A. Hrymak
R. Klassen
G. Kulczycki
H. Lagerlund
J. Lamarche
B. Leipert
J. Leonard
S. Lupker
S. Macfie
J. Matthews
P. McKenzie
M. McNay
M. Milde
L. Miller
J. Mitchell
K. Mooney
B. Neff
A. Nelson
S. Nemirovsky
E. Ng
J. O'Brien
J. Orange
K. Pisters
J. Polgar
V. Prabhu
S. Primak
C. Rice
J. Santucci
I. Scott
M. Singh
A. Slivinski
M. Strong
D. Sylvester
A. Thind
B. Timney
E. Uberig
A. Watson
J. Weese
G. West
B.A. Younker

Observers: G. Tigert, B. Traister, A. Weedon

S. 11-187 **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting of November 18, 2011 were approved as circulated.

S.11-188 **REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT**

Dr. J. Deakin, Provost, and Vice-President (Academic), reported on the following in the absence of the President: Ontario Research Fund, new residence update, Fall Preview Day: November 19, UWOFA Scholarships, Western's incoming Chancellor, Mr. Joseph Rotman, and Dean Stephenson being named to the 2011 *Canada's Most Powerful Women: Top 100* award in the Corporate Directors category. Overhead slides used to highlight her presentation are attached as **Appendix 1**.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE [Exhibit I]

S.11-189 **Selection Committee – Vice-President (Research)**

The following were elected to the Selection Committee – Vice-President (Research): C. Caxaj, C. Dean, J. Johnson, R. Poole, J. Rylett.

S.11-190 **Senate Review Board Academic**

E. Leighton was elected to the Senate Review Board Academic to complete the term of Fiona Simpson who has resigned (term to June 30, 2012).

REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC POLICY AND AWARDS [Exhibit II]

S.11-191 **Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry: Introduction of an Honors Specialization in Neuroscience; Revisions to the Progression Requirements of the MD Program and Introduction of Professional Portfolio Course**

S.11-191a Introduction of an Honors Specialization in Neuroscience

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by J. Bend,

> That an Honors Specialization in Neuroscience leading to an Honors Bachelor of Science degree, detailed in Exhibit II, item 1a, be introduced in the Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry, effective September 1, 2012.
>
> CARRIED

S.11-191b Revisions to the Progression Requirements of the MD Program and Introduction of Professional Portfolio Course

It was moved by B. Timney seconded by J. Bend,

> That effective September 1, 2012, a new course “Medicine 5140 - Professional Portfolio” be introduced in the MD program and that the Progression Requirements in the MD program be revised as highlighted in Exhibit II, item 1b.
>
> CARRIED

S.11-192 **Faculty of Science: Revisions to Admission Requirements for Chemistry and Earth Sciences Modules**

S.11-192a Revisions to the Admission Requirements of Chemistry Modules

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by M. Singh,

> That effective September 1, 2012 the admission requirements for the following modules in the Faculty of Science be revised as highlighted in Exhibit II, item 2a, to simplify the mathematics requirements and include Calculus 1500A/B:
>
> - Honors Specialization in Chemistry
> - Honors Specialization in Biochemistry and Chemistry
> - Specialization in Chemistry
> - Major in Chemistry
> - Minor in Chemistry
>
> CARRIED

S.11-192b Revisions to the Admission Requirements of Earth Sciences Modules

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by M. Singh,

That effective January 1, 2012 the admission requirements for the following modules in the Faculty of Science be revised as highlighted in Exhibit II, item 2b:

- Specialization in Geology
- Honors Specialization in Geology
- Specialization in Geophysics
- Honors Specialization in Geophysics
- Earth Sciences for Professional registration

CARRIED

S.11-193 **Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry and Faculty of Science: Revisions to Admission Requirements for the Biological and Medical Sciences First-Entry Program and the First-Year Science Program**

The Chair announced a correction to the wording of the recommendation (shown in bold italics) prior to Senate's consideration.

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by G. West,

That effective for ***admission to the academic year commencing*** September 1, 2013, Grade 12 U Calculus and Vectors (MCV4U) replace Grade 12 U Advanced Functions (MHF4U) as a prerequisite for admission to the Faculty of Science (including Biological and Medical Sciences), and that Grade 12 U Biology (SBI4U) and Chemistry (SCH4U) be required as prerequisites for admission to the Biological and Medical Sciences first-entry program.

CARRIED

S.11-194 **School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies: Modifications to the MSc in Management - International Business; Introduction of a Master of Clinical Science, Pathology Assistant (MClSc) Course-Based Masters Program in the Pathology Graduate Program; Revisions to Undergraduate Course Policy for Graduate Students; Dual-Doctoral Degree Program in Mathematics with the University of Milano – Bicocca, Milano, Italy**

S.11-194a Modifications to the MSc in Management - International Business

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by C. Beynon,

That the MSc in Management – International Business program be modified, as detailed in Exhibit II, item 4a, to extend the length of the program and to incorporate a practicum in an international setting, effective January 1, 2013.

CARRIED

S.11-194b Introduction of a Master of Clinical Science, Pathology Assistant (MClSc) Course-Based Masters ***Program*** in the Pathology Graduate Program

Prior to considering the recommendation, Dean Timney announced a correction (shown in bold italics) to the wording.

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by A. Watson,

That effective September 1, 2012, a new professional masters program, the Master of Clinical Science, Pathology Assistant (MClSc), detailed in Exhibit II, item 4b, be introduced as a course-based masters ***program*** in the Pathology Graduate Program, contingent upon receipt of final approval from the Quality Council.

CARRIED

S.11-194c Revisions to Undergraduate Course Policy for Graduate Students

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by M. Milde,

That the undergraduate course policy for graduate students be revised as highlighted in Exhibit II, item 4c.

CARRIED

S.11-195 Dual-Doctoral Degree Program in Mathematics between the University of Milano – Bicocca, Milano, Italy and The University of Western Ontario

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by L. Miller,

That effective January 1, 2012, a Dual-Doctoral Degree Program that leads to a PhD in Mathematics from each of The University of Western Ontario and the University of Milano – Bicocca, Italy, be introduced in the School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, as detailed in Exhibit II, item 4d.

CARRIED

S.11-196 **King's University College: Revision to Records Check and Vulnerable Sector Screening Policy for the Social Work Practicum**

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by D. Sylvester,

That effective September 1, 2012, the Records Check and Vulnerable Sector Screening Policy at King's University College be revised for the Social Work Practicum as in Exhibit II, item 5.

CARRIED

S.11-197 **Undergraduate Sessional Dates**

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by D. Sylvester,

That Senate approve the undergraduate sessional dates for 2013, and the sessional dates in Dentistry, Education, Law and Medicine for 2012-2013, as outlined in Exhibit II, Appendix 3.

CARRIED

S.11-198 **New Scholarships and Awards**

SCAPA has approved on behalf of the Senate, the Terms of Reference for the following new scholarships, for recommendation to the Board of Governors through the President & Vice-Chancellor:

John Nash Football Athletic Scholarship (Any Undergraduate, Graduate or Affiliated University College Student - Athletic Award [Football])
Doris Jackson Memorial OSOTF II Award in Music (Don Wright Faculty of Music)
Doris Jackson Memorial OTSS Awards in Music (Don Wright Faculty of Music)
Serge Gouin and Denyse Chicoyne MBA Leadership Award

S.11-199 **SUPR-G Reports on Reviews of Graduate Programs**

SCAPA has approved on behalf of Senate the recommendations of SUPR-G as set out in Exhibit II, Appendix 4.

S.11-200 **School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies: Revision to Regulation 8.5 – Master's Candidate – Completion of the Thesis Degree Requirements: Introduction of an Electronic Thesis Depository (ETD) System for Master's Candidates**

Senate was advised that effective January 1, 2012 the graduate regulation section 8.5 (Master's Candidate – Completion of the Thesis Degree Requirement) will be revised to allow for an Electronic Thesis Despository (ETD) option for Master's students. The School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, in collaboration with Western Libraries, wishes to expand the Scholarship@Western Electronic Thesis and Dissertation repository to permit the pilot level processing of Master's level theses.

Following is a summary of the proposed policy changes:

- Thesis-based Master's candidates will be given the option to submit their thesis via the ETD repository.
- For those theses submitted via the ETD repository, SGPS will now be responsible for:
  - distribution of the thesis to examiners for preliminary review;
  - collection of preliminary reports from examiners;
  - confirmation of the examination upon successful preliminary examination.
- Details will be added concerning the option of a publication embargo/delay of publication.
- Detail will be added concerning the requirements pertaining to final submission and archiving within the ETD repository.

REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY PLANNING [Exhibit III]

S.11-201 **Wolfe Medical Research Chair in Pharmacogenomics**

It was moved by J. Deakin, seconded by J. Bend,

> That the terms for the Wolfe Medical Research Chair in Pharmacogenomics be approved as detailed in Exhibit III, item1.
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> CARRIED

S.11-202 **Wolfe Senior Research Fellowship in Steroidal Hormones in Health and Disease**

It was moved by J. Deakin, seconded by M. Singh,

> That the terms for the Wolfe Senior Research Fellowship in Steroidal Hormones in Health and Disease be approved as detailed in Exhibit III, item 2.
>
> CARRIED

S.11-203 **Wolfe Senior Research Fellowship in Tumor Suppressor Genes**

It was moved by J. Deakin, seconded by A. Watson,

> That the terms for the Wolfe Senior Research Fellowship in Tumor Suppressor Genes be approved as detailed in Exhibit III, item 3.
>
> CARRIED

S.11-204 **ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNICATIONS** [Exhibit IV]

Announcements & Communication, detailed in Exhibit IV, were received for information.

ENQUIRIES AND NEW BUSINESS

S.11-205 **Relocation of Office of the Ombudsperson**

Responding to Mr. Duncan's concerns about relocating the Ombudsperson's office to accommodate space for international education in the Student Services Building, Dr. Deakin advised that this move is proceeding as part of Western's internationalization mandate.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

T. Carmichael Vice-Chair	I. Birrell Secretary

The University of Western Ontario

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