



To: Board of Governors
From: Dr. Paul Davenport
Date: November 17, 2004
Subject: President's Report to the Board: November 2004

The President's Report to the Board for November 2004 will consist of three items:

- 1. Update on Rae Review.** In early November, Western submitted its institutional submission to the Rae Review of Postsecondary Education in Ontario. This will probably be unique among Ontario universities in being a "consensus" document, signed by representatives of the University administration, faculty, staff, and student groups. It addresses such key issues as funding, student aid, the importance of research and deferred maintenance. The full text of the document may be viewed at:

www.uwo.ca/pvp/art/rae_panel_submission.pdf
- 2. Surveys on Undergraduate Student Experience.** Two recent national surveys have found that Western graduates rate the quality of their undergraduate experience extremely highly. The *Globe & Mail*/Strategic Counsel Student Survey shows Western first among major research universities, pointing at the quality of campus life, distinguished faculty, student services, and opportunities for broad personal development. The annual *Maclean's* magazine university ranking this year for the first time included a survey of alumni with regard to satisfaction with their educational experience. Here also, in addition to ranking third overall in the *Maclean's* Medical/Doctoral category, Western was the clear leader in student satisfaction among peer institutions. In this *Globe & Mail* column on November 16, Jeffrey Simpson described Western as the "blended winner" among the major Canadian universities, if the alumni survey had been integrated with the data used in the actual rankings.
- 3. Activities of the President.** A summary of my activities during the months of October and November is [attached](#) for the information of Board members. Activities scheduled subsequent to November 17th remain tentative and are designated with an asterisk.

Activities of the President
October 2004 to November 30th, 2004

On Campus

- October 1 *CHRW Radio Show* with Jim Chapman and Nick Staubitz, USC President:
Post-Secondary Issues – UCC/Atrium
- ACWE (Advisory Council for Western Engineering) Meeting – Spencer
Engineering Building, room 3102
- 1st Annual Innovation Lecture, speaker David Dolphin, introduced by Ron
Yamada – Conron Hall
- 1 - 3 Westerns' Annual Homecoming
- 5 "Jazz with Dr. D.", Live Radio Show – CHRW Radio Station
- 12 Nick Staubitz, USC President lunch meeting – Michael's
VP (Research) Selection Committee Meeting – 292/SLB
- 15 CIBC media announcement on Western's Productivity Research Centre and
lunch – 3320/SH
- Senate Meeting – Ivey School, room 40
- 16 UWO Football Game vs Guelph – TD Waterhouse Stadium
- 18 Provost Selection Committee Meeting – 292/SLB
- 25 City/UWO Liaison Committee Breakfast Meeting – 2/SLB
Chaviva Hosek, President, CIAR, with Ted Hewitt
- Arts Faculty Council Meeting with Ted Garrard – Conron Hall
- Farewell Reception for Nils Petersen – Great Hall
- 26 Unity Group Meeting – 2/SLB
- 27 Jim Galbraith Celebration for "Communities in Bloom Award" – Michael's
- 28 Fall Convocation – Chancellor's Luncheon and Installation (Mr. Arthur
Labatt) and Convocation Dinner
- 29 Fall Convocation and Convocation Dinner (John Polanyi, Carol McAulay)
- 30 Western vs York, Playoff Football Game – TD Waterhouse Stadium
- November 2 Provost Selection Committee Meeting – 292/SLB
- Aboriginal Council Reception – 3036/SS

- Seymour Schulich Reception – 225/UC
- 3 Signing of two Affiliation Agreements: LHSC and LHRI
- 4 COU Nominating Committee teleconference
Leaders/Managers Meeting – Great Hall
- 7 Interview with Kelly Pedro, *London Free Press*: Macleans' Rankings
Interview with Jim Anderson, *Western News*: Macleans' Rankings
Interview with Gary Ennett, *CBC Radio London*: Macleans' Rankings
VP (Research) Selection Committee Meeting – 292/SLB
- 8 Planning Meeting: Libraries – 2/SLB
Interview with *CKOT FM Radio Tillsonburg*: Macleans' Rankings
Interview with Allison Buchan-Terrell, *Gazette*: Macleans' Rankings
Interview with *CHRW Radio at Western*: Macleans' Rankings
Interview with Matt Thompson, *Rogers TV*: Macleans' Rankings
Interview with Steve Garrison, *CJBK Radio*: Macleans' Rankings
Interview with George Clark, *AM 980 Radio*: Macleans' Rankings
- 9 Nick Staubitz, USC President lunch meeting – The Wave
Planning Meeting: Finance – 2/SLB
Convocation Assistants Reception – Conron Hall
Franco Berruti, Dean of Engineering, Reappointment Reception – Great Hall
- 10 United Way Campaign Cabinet teleconference
- 15 Planning Meeting: Information & Media Studies – 2/SLB
Allan Gedalof and Jane Toswell, UWOFA meeting with Greg Moran
- 16 Bob Wood, Dean of Music: Planning Document
- 17 Planning Meeting: Faculty of Health Sciences – 2/SLB
Senator Orientation Meeting – 330/SLB
Panel Discussion Canadian Federation of Students: Postsecondary Issues –
University College, Room 142
- * 18 VP (Research) Selection Committee Meeting – 292/SLB
Celebration for Brenda MacEachern, PMA Nancy Kendall Award

- * 19 Planning Meeting: Faculty of Education – 2/SLB
Senate Meeting – Ivey School, room 40
- * 24 Ian Holloway, Dean of Law: Planning Document
- * 29 Planning Meeting: Faculty of Science – 2/SLB

In London

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| October | <p>3 Dr. Jack Cowin, BA'64, LLD'2000, Chairman, Competitive Foods Australia Ltd. with Ted Garrard – Gibbons Lodge</p> <p>Dinner with Bruce Peterson, President of the Americas Zimmer, Tod Davis, Vice-President Sales North America Zimmer, Jon Hill, Director of Marketing Zimmer Canada, Jamie Williams, General Manager Zimmer Canada, Dean Carol Herbert and Ted Garrard – Gibbons Lodge</p> <p>12 Gitta Kulczycki, VP (Administration), Dinner with Selection Committee – Gibbons</p> <p>15 “Banger in the Hangar” Reception and Dinner – London Convention Centre</p> <p>18 City Farewell Lunch for Nils Petersen – London Public Library</p> <p>27 “In the Footsteps of the Impressionists” Continuing Studies Lecture – Galleria Library</p> <p>30 Comedy Fest Gala with Bluma Appel – Centennial Hall</p> |
| November | <p>2 Seymour Schulich Dinner with Dean Carol Herbert – Gibbons Lodge</p> <p>3 “In the Footsteps of the Impressionists” Continuing Studies Lecture – Galleria Library</p> <p>4 Dinner for Baden-Wuerttemberg Visitors – Gibbons Lodge</p> <p>8 Opening Remarks at 2004 OPAS Visionary Seminar – Windermere Manor
National Scholarship Reception – Gibbons Lodge</p> <p>10 Rae Review Panel Roundtable and Lunch – Fanshawe College
“In the Footsteps of the Impressionists” Continuing Studies Lecture – Galleria Library</p> <p>15 Reception in Honour of Promoted Faculty – Gibbons Lodge</p> <p>16 David Patchell-Evans Dinner – Gibbons Lodge</p> <p>17 “In the Footsteps of the Impressionists” Continuing Studies Lecture – Galleria Library</p> |

- * 18 Richard Bain Book Launch: “Western” – Windermere Manor
- * 23 Partners in Research Dinner, Dr. William Wall – Gibbons Lodge
- * 24 Editorial Board Meeting – London Free Press
 Rabbi Mordechai Silberberg at Hillel Centre
 “In the Footsteps of the Impressionists” Continuing Studies Lecture –
 Galleria Library
- * 25 United Way Campaign Cabinet Meeting – London Life
 Board of Governor Meeting – Spencer Hall
 Board of Governors’ Dinner – Gibbons Lodge
- * 26 Reception in honour of Tom Lennon’s election to Royal Society of Canada –
 Spencer Hall

Off Campus

October	4	Toronto	COU Executive Heads meeting with Minister Caplan
	6 - 7	Niagara-on-the-Lake	Ontario Economic Summit, organized by the Ontario Chamber of Commerce
	14	Toronto	COU Executive Heads Meeting and Council Dinner for the David Smith Award: Dr. Bernard Shapiro
	19 - 20	California	Ms. Tiffany Tan-Kohler, BA’96, Clorox Company, <i>(all calls with Ted Garrard)</i> Mrs. Rita Ricardo Campbell Mr. Kent Thexton, BSc’86, MBA’89, President & Co-CEO, Seven Networks Dr. Gregory Wade, BSc’92, PhD’99, Research Analyst, Pacific Growth Equities Mr. James Mitchell, President, Scios Inc. Western Alumni Reception – St. Francis Hotel
	21 - 24		Stanford Reunion: Dr. John Henessey, President, Stanford University
November	5	Vancouver	The Purple & White Award Reception and Dinner for Don Rix – The Vancouver Club

- 6 Hamilton Group of Ten Meeting – McMaster University, with Mr. Bob Rae
- 11 - 14 New York Mr. Richard Konrad, BA'75, Executive Vice-President & Research Director, Ryan Beck & Company, with Ted Garrard
 Richard J. Schmeelk, LLD'90, CAI Managers & Company, with Ted Garrard
 Reception for all UWO Alumni and Friends in New York City and area
 Mr. Mark Barber, BESC'89, MBA'94, Vice President, Citigroup Global Markets, with Ted Garrard
 Mr. Stephen D. McDonald, LLB'80, MBA'83, Executive Managing Director, Scotia Capital
 Mr. Robert Mustard, BA'83, Vice-President, Syndications, Scotia Capital
- * 22 - 23 Toronto Mr. Perry Dellelce, BA'85, Partner, Wildeboer Rand Thomson Apps & Dellelce LLP, *(all calls with Ted Garrard)*
 Dr. Douglas W. Muzyka, PhD'85, MESC'79, BESC'77, President & CEO, DuPont Canada Inc.
 Dr. Paul Beeston, BA'67, LLD'94, SkyDome, with Roz Ivey
 Mr. Benjamin Jeffrey Parr, Co-CEO & Managing Director, Clairvest Group Inc., with Roz Ivey
 The Purple & White Award Reception and Dinner for Bill Brock
 COU Executive Heads on Government Relations teleconference
 Mr. David McCann, BA'82, MA'84, MBA'86, Managing Director, TD Capital
 Dr. Robert Bandeen, BA'52, LLD'75, Chairman & President, Cluny Corporation
 Robert C. Krembil & The Krembil Foundation, Vice-President, TD Centre, with Arthur Labatt
- * 29 - 30 Toronto COU Executive Heads Reception for members of Government Caucus – Sutton Place Hotel
 Mr. Gord Love, BA'84, Senior Financial Advisor, Assante Capital Management Ltd. (all calls with Ted Garrard)

Mr. Timothy H. Penner, President, Procter & Gamble Inc.

Dale Lastman, Co-Chair, Goodmans, LLP

Mr. Peter Brent, BA'69, LLB'72, Senior Vice-President &
General Counsel, MDS Inc.