



## *The* UNIVERSITY of WESTERN ONTARIO

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

November 22, 2007

The meeting was held at 1:00 p.m. in Room 330 Stevenson-Lawson Building.

PRESENT: Ms. M. Noble, Chair  
Ms. I. Birrell, Secretary

Mr. D. Alexander  
Mr. F. Angeletti  
Dr. D. Bentley  
Mr. S. Coxford  
Dr. P. Davenport  
Mr. T. Garrard  
Ms. L. Gribbon  
Ms. S. Grindrod  
Mr. E. Holder  
Mr. H. Kelly  
Ms. G. Kulczycki  
Dr. F. Longstaffe

Dr. L. Miller  
Ms. J. Moss  
Mr. J. Nash  
Mr. M. Reid  
Dr. S. Singh  
Ms. J. Vanderheyden  
Mr. H. Vander Laan  
Dr. J. White  
Mr. R. Wong  
Mr. R. Yamada  
Mr. K. Zerebecki

By Invitation: S. Finlayson, B. Kerwood, L. Logan, J. O'Brien

#### BG.07-106 New and Re-Elected Board Members

The Chair announced the election of new and returning Board members: Abudi Awaysheh, elected by the graduate students, Richard Wong, elected by the undergraduate students, Joanne De Laurentiis, elected by the Alumni Association, and Shiva Singh, re-elected by Senate.

#### BG.07-107 REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

The President's report consisted of the following items: the new Minister of MTCU, John Milloy; key university issues for the Province as Premier McGuinty starts a second term; Fall Preview Day 2007; and his activities scheduled during the months of October and November. Overhead slides used to highlight his presentation are attached as [Appendix 1](#).

Dr. Davenport announced that the Globe & Mail Survey, released in October, ranked Western first in the country among large campuses for campus atmosphere, satisfied students, quality of education, quality of teaching and student services. Western has ranked first for six years in a row.

BG.07-108 **UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGENDA** [Appendix I]

It was moved by K. Zerebecki, seconded by M. Reid,

That the 14 items listed in Appendix I be approved and/or received for information by the Board of Governors by unanimous consent.

CARRIED

BG.07-109 **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the open session meeting of September 25, 2007 were approved as circulated.

**REPORT OF THE PROPERTY & FINANCE COMMITTEE** [Appendix II]

BG.07-110 **Revised Statement of Investment Objectives, Policies and Governance for the Operating and Endowment Fund**

It was moved by F. Angeletti, seconded by S. Coxford,

That the Board of Governors approve the revised Statement of Investment Objectives, Policies and Governance for the Operating and Endowment Fund detailed in Appendix II, Annex 1.

Mr. Finlayson, Treasurer, provided an overview of the revised statement of investment objectives, policies and governance for the operating and endowment fund detailed in Appendix II, annex 1.

Responding to Mr. Yamada's questions, Mr. Finlayson stated the proposed policy mix is expected to provide sufficient returns to meet the payout objectives for the endowments of 4.5% over time and also to provide additional returns to allow the endowment capital to grow over time to compensate for inflation.

Asked how frequently the asset mix is assessed, Mr. Finlayson stated that the mix is reviewed every quarter to assess the status versus policy and an asset mix overview would be done once a year with the consultants.

The question was called and CARRIED

BG.07-111 **Information Items reported by the Property & Finance Committee**

The Report of the Property & Finance Committee contained the following items that were received for information by unanimous consent:

- Compulsory Non-Tuition Related Ancillary Fees Exempt from the Protocol
- Budget Indicators for Previous Year
- Report on Endowments
- Research Purchases Greater than \$1 Million
- James G. McLeod Professorship in Family Law
- Scholarships/Awards/Prizes

**REPORT OF THE SENIOR OPERATIONS COMMITTEE** [Appendix III]

BG.07-112 **Indemnification of Ivey (Asia) Board Members**

It was moved by F. Angeletti, seconded by J. Nash,

That the Board of Governors authorize the administration to enter into Indemnity Agreements with each of the Directors of the Richard Ivey School of Business (Asia) Limited in the form attached as Appendix III, Annex 1, such Agreements to be effective as of November 10, 2007.

CARRIED

BG.07-113 **Information Item Reported by the Senior Operations Committee**

The Report of the Senior Operations Committee contained the following item that was received for information by unanimous consent:

- Development and Fund Raising Committee - Appointment of External Members

**REPORT OF THE DEVELOPMENT & FUND RAISING COMMITTEE** [Appendix IV]

BG.07-114 **Information Items Reported by the Development & Fund Raising Committee**

The Report of the Development & Fund Raising Committee contained the following items that were received for information by unanimous consent:

- Imagine Canada Ethical Code of Conduct
- Fund Raising Progress for the Period Ending October 31, 2007
- 2007/2008 First Quarter Fund Raising Results

**ITEMS REFERRED BY SENATE** [Appendix V]

BG.07-115 **Information Items Reported by Senate**

Appendix V, Items Referred by Senate, contained the following items that were received for information by unanimous consent:

- Selection Committee for the President & Vice-Chancellor
- Report of the Academic Colleague on the 284th Meeting of the Council of Ontario Universities
- Academic Appointment

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M. Noble  
Chair

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I. Birrell  
Secretary

## President's Report to the Board

- John Milloy, new Minister of MTCU
- Key university issues for the Province as Mr. McGuinty starts a second term
- Fall Preview Day, 2007

Paul Davenport  
November 22, 2007

## John Milloy, new Minister of MTCU

- MPP Kitchener Centre
- First elected 2003, re-elected in 2007
- Served as Parliamentary Assistant, first to the Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs, and then to the Minister of Training, Colleges, and Universities
- Attended London School of Economics; doctorate in Modern History from Oxford
- Western looks forward to his first visit to campus

## Key University Issues

- The Ontario Trust for Student Support
- Capital Funding for Graduate Expansion and for Facilities Modernization
- Increased Financial Aid for Graduate Students

## Key University Issues

- Allocation of the Next Phase of Graduate Expansion Capacity (the next 2,000 places)
- Protecting Funds for Quality Improvement
  - Student-Faculty Ratios
- College – University Relationships

### Fall Preview Day 2007

- 7968 guests -- a 26% increase over last year
- Dr. Davenport welcomed students and families at first-entry Faculties
  - Social Science
  - Engineering
  - Music
  - Arts and Humanities
  - FIMS
  - Science

### Fall Preview Day 2007

- mini-lectures, demonstrations, displays, student panels, faculty tours, coffee houses and drop-in centers
- bus and walking tours of campus
- residence tours and meals
- 29 support units participated
- approximately 929 volunteers (154 faculty, 307 staff, 468 students)

### Volunteers, Fall Preview Day 2007

Faculty/Support Units	Students	Staff	Faculty
Arts and Humanities	43	3	42
Engineering	60	11	10
FIMS	24	5	4
Health Sciences	35	9	13
Music	12	2	4
Social Science	60	25	30
Science	68	19	43
Second-Entry Schools	20	8	8
Registrarial Services	70	28	
Hospitality Services		122	
Housing	76	7	
Other ancillaries		68	
<b>Total</b>	<b>468</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>154</b>