



The UNIVERSITY of WESTERN ONTARIO

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

November 25, 2004

The meeting was held at 1:30 p.m. in the Cherry Room, Spencer Conference Centre.

PRESENT: Mr. D. McDougall, Chair
Ms. J.K. Van Fleet, Secretary

Mr. T. Brown
Mr. S. Adams
Mr. C. Colvin
Ms. H. Connell
Dr. P. Davenport
Ms. G. Dybenko
Mr. T. Garrard
Mr. T. Gosnell
Ms. L. Gribbon
Dr. T. Hewitt
Mr. E. Holder
Ms. R. Ivey

Mr. A. Labatt
Dr. F. Longstaffe
Dr. K. McQuillan
Dr. G. Moran
Mr. J. Nash
Ms. M. Noble
Mr. M. Pickard
Mr. L. Ste. Marie
Mr. E. Stewart
Mr. H. Vander Laan
Mr. B. Whitmore
Mr. R. Yamada

By Invitation: R. Bain, R. Chelladurai, C. Ellis, A. Lee, D. Riddell, M. Wilson

REPORT OF THE CHAIR

BG.04-146 Provost & Vice-President (Academic)

The Chair announced that the Board unanimously approved the appointment of Dr. Fred Longstaffe as Provost & Vice-President (Academic) for a five-year term beginning July 1, 2005.

Dr. Longstaffe thanked the Board: "I am honored and humbled to be entrusted with this responsibility by The University of Western Ontario. I know that I have very big shoes to fill. Western's faculty, staff, students and alumni, and the associations that represent them, all share a common goal of sustaining and enhancing our position as a national and international leader in education and research. I am very excited about this opportunity to contribute to that collective effort."

BG.04-147 **Book Presentation by Richard Bain to the Board Chair**

Mr. Richard Bain presented to Mr. McDougall an autographed copy of his new book of photography of The University of Western Ontario, one of Canada's most beautiful campuses, called "Western".

BG.04-148 **Welcome to New Members**

The Chair welcomed to their first meeting Chancellor Arthur Labatt, Mr. Thomas Brown, and Ms. Lori Gribbon. Mr. Brown was recently elected by acclamation by the undergraduate students of the University to serve from November 15, 2004, to November 14, 2006. Ms. Gribbon was elected by the administrative staff for a four-year term, November 15, 2004, to November 14, 2008.

BG.04-149 **REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT**

Dr. Davenport reported on the Rae Review, Surveys on Undergraduate Student Experience and activities of the President during the months of October and November. Overhead slides used to highlight his presentation are attached as [Appendix 1](#) to these minutes.

BG.04-150 **UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGENDA** [Appendix I]

It was moved by M. Noble, seconded by S. Adams,

That the items listed in the Unanimous Consent Agenda, detailed in Appendix I, be approved and/or received for information by the Board of Governors by unanimous consent.

CARRIED

BG.04-151 **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the open session of the meeting of September 30, 2004, were approved as circulated.

REPORT OF THE PROPERTY & FINANCE COMMITTEE [Appendix II]

BG.04-152 **Tuition for the Master of Laws (LLM) Program**

It was moved by M. Noble, seconded by S. Adams,

That, for 2004-05, the Board of Governors approve the following tuition fees for the Master of Laws (LL.M.) program:

- Full-Time Canadian Students \$ 7,500 annual (or \$2,500 per term)
 - Full-Time International Students \$17,220 annual (or \$5,740 per term)
- Tuition for part-time fees will be 50% of the full-time tuition rates.*

CARRIED by Unanimous Consent

BG.04-153 **Budget Indicators for the 2003-04 Fiscal Year**

The Board received for information Budget Indicators for the 2003-04 Fiscal Year, detailed in Appendix II.

BG.04-154 **Report on Endowments**

The Board received for information the report on Endowments detailed in Appendix II, Annex 2.

BG.04-155 **Scholarships, Bursaries, Awards, Prizes**

The Board received for information the report on Scholarships, Bursaries, Awards, and Prizes detailed in Appendix II, Annex 3.

REPORT OF THE SENIOR OPERATIONS COMMITTEE [Appendix III]

BG.04-156 **Information Items from the Senior Operations Committee**

The Report of the Senior Operations Committee contained the following information items:

- New Board Members
- Appointments to the Advisory Committee of Western Engineering
- Appointments to the By-Laws Committee

REPORT OF THE CAMPUS & COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE [Appendix IV]

BG.04-157 **Policy 1.39 - Campus Community Police Services**

It was moved by H. Vander Laan, seconded by E. Stewart,

That the Board of Governors approve Policy 1.39 - Campus Community Police Services as detailed in Appendix IV, Annex 1-A.

CARRIED

BG.04-158 **Annual Report: Code of Student Conduct**

The Board received for information two Annual Reports relating to the Code of Student Conduct: (1) Findings of Misconduct in the University (Appendix IV, Annex 2) and (2) Appeals to the University Discipline Appeal Committee (UDAC) (Appendix IV, Annex 3).

BG.04-159 **Graduate Student Financial Support**

CCAC reported that Dr. Martin Kreiswirth, Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies, made an oral report to the Committee about on graduate student financial support the October 7, 2004, meeting. He described the financial support system as it has been administered in years passed, and outlined a new proposal for providing support to Western's graduate students. The proposal, which has not yet been finalized, will be part of the Faculty's planning document for 2005-06.

REPORT OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE [Appendix V]

BG.04-160 **Equity Services - Annual Report 2003-04**

The Audit Committee reported that the Annual Report of Equity Services, presented at the Audit Committee on November 18, 2004, is available at <http://www.uwo.ca/equity/publications.htm>.

BG.04-161 **Internal Audit Projects Update**

The Internal Audit Projects update, detailed in Appendix V, item 2, was received for information.

Mr. Stewart asked about the transition period should Oracle take over PeopleSoft. Mr. Chelladurai reported that Western has received assurances from Oracle that there will be continued support of the existing products should a takeover occur. Western continues to monitor the situation.

REPORT OF THE DEVELOPMENT & FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE [Appendix VI]

BG.04-162 **Future Fundraising Objectives for Western**

It was moved by R. Ivey, seconded by H. Connell,

That the Board of Governors approve the following annual fundraising goals:

- \$35,000,000 2004-2005
- \$46,250,000 2005-2006
- \$46,250,000 2006-2007

and

That an additional \$30,000,000 be the fundraising target through the Planned Giving Program (i.e., gifts from estates, life insurance, etc.).

Ms. Ivey provided an overview of the future fundraising objectives for Western 2004-07, detailed in Appendix VI, Annex 1.

Mr. Holder asked if the matching benefit is lost when an unrestricted donation is made. Mr. Garrard explained that the capital cannot be matched but income from unrestricted endowments can be matched. For example, the income from the Western Fund in 2003, which the Board authorized be allocated to the Ontario Graduate Scholarship Program, is matched 2-1.

The question was called and CARRIED.

BG.04-163 **Quarterly Report on Fundraising**

The quarterly report on Fundraising, detailed in Appendix VI, was received for information.

ITEMS REFERRED BY SENATE [Appendix VII]

BG.04-164 **Renaming the Faculty of Arts: Faculty of Arts and Humanities**

It was moved by P. Davenport, seconded by M. Noble,

That the Board of Governors approve that the name of the Faculty of Arts be changed to "Faculty of Arts and Humanities", as recommended by the Council of the Faculty.

CARRIED

BG.04-165 **Future Fundraising Objectives for Western**

Dr. Davenport reported that Senate, at its meeting of November 19, 2004, considered and approved the recommendations concerning the annual fundraising goals set out in the Development & Fundraising Report, Appendix VI.

BG.04-166 **Planning for 2005-07: Guidelines for the Faculties**

The Planning Guidelines for Faculties for years 3 and 4 of the Four-Year Planning Process, detailed in Appendix VII, Annex 1, were received for information.

Mr. Ste. Marie asked if Western might do something differently in terms of the multi-year planning model process or will the current multi-year planning process continue. Dr. Moran stated that the multi-year planning process has been successful and feedback received is positive. Multi-year planning provides a means of looking forward and allows objectives to be followed in a systematic way. Current plans are that the multi-year budgeting process will continue. Dr. Longstaffe confirmed that the multi-year budgeting process proved helpful and if anything, a five-year window might be better. The multi-year planning process will be discussed with the President after Dr. Longstaffe takes office as Provost.

BG.04-167 **Collaborative Research Entities**

The Board received for information the revised listing of Collaborative Research Entities approved from 2003 to September 2004, detailed in Appendix VII, Annex 2.

BG.04-168 **Appointments**

The Board received for information appointments detailed in Appendix VII, page 2.

BG.04-169 **SELECTED CLIPPINGS** [Appendix VIII]

The Board received for information selected media clippings about the University (Appendix VIII).

D. McDougall
Chair

J.K. Van Fleet
Secretary

President's Report to the Board of Governors

- Update on Rae Review
- Surveys on Undergraduate Student Experience

Dr. Paul Davenport
November 25, 2004

Update on Rae Review

- Western's submission
(www.uwo.ca/pvp/art/rae_panel_submission.pdf)
- May be the only university in Ontario to submit a “consensus” response
 - Administration
 - Faculty
 - Staff
 - Students

Key Issues for Western

- Full funding for all students
- To national average within 3 years
- Reform student aid – tuition
- Graduate enrolment expansion
- Investment in research
- Address deferred maintenance
- Roles of colleges/universities
- Guidance counseling in schools

Public Consultations

- Round Table – November 10
 - Fanshawe College
- Town-Hall Meeting – December 1
 - 7:00 p.m. – Ivey R140

Globe and Mail/Strategic Counsel Student Survey
Grade Point Average Assigned to Institutions by
Student Survey Respondents on 1 to 5 Scale
(Composite of 66 Questions)

● Western	4.05	● McGill	3.77
● McMaster	4.03	● Alberta	3.73
● Queen's	3.94	● UBC	3.68
● Laval	3.84	● Montreal	3.63
● Waterloo	3.81	● Toronto	3.60

Globe and Mail/Strategic Counsel Student Survey

Western's Areas of Greatest Strength

- Personal safety/security A+
- Attractiveness of the campus A+
- Faculty members' knowledge of the subjects A+
- Availability of faculty to students
outside of classroom hours A
- Overall course variety and availability A
- Library services A
- Overall quality of on-campus buildings and facilities A

Globe and Mail/Strategic Counsel Student Survey

Western's Areas of Greatest Strength (cont.)

- Library A
- Computer accessibility on campus A
- On-line library resources A
- On-campus network for Internet/email A
- Overall university atmosphere A
- Overall educational experience A
- School spirit A

Globe and Mail/Strategic Counsel Student Survey

Western's Areas of Greatest Strength (cont.)

- Diversity of extra-curricular activities (e.g., clubs) A
- Cultural diversity and openness A
- Opportunities to have fun on campus A
- Opportunities to have fun off-campus A
- Availability of off-campus housing A
- The reputation of the university among employers A

Maclean's Magazine/Angus Reid Alumni Survey
Percentage of Alumni Who Were "Very Satisfied"
With Educational Experience/Student Services
(Composite of Seven Questions)

● Western	69%	● McGill	52%
● Queen's	63%	● Laval	49%
● Waterloo	58%	● Toronto	48%
● Alberta	56%	● UBC	46%
● McMaster	55%	● Montreal	42%

Maclean's Magazine/Angus Reid Alumni Survey

Percentage of Alumni Who Were “Very Satisfied”

● Teaching and Instruction	66%
● Learning Environment	67%
● Library Resources	59%
● Student Services	56%
● Extracurricular Activities	66%
● Recommend Western to a Friend	79%
● Was your Experience a Significant Benefit to you	89%
● Composite	69%

“*Maclean’s* didn’t blend the new graduate survey with the annual number crunching. If it had done so, the leading big (medical-doctoral) Canadian school would have been The University of Western Ontario.

Western ranked higher than any of the other big universities when graduates were asked about their educational experiences. Western clobbered the U of T in every category except one (libraries) in the graduate survey.”

Jeffrey Simpson

Globe and Mail

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President's Report to the Board of Governors

- Update on Rae Review
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