MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

January 25, 2007

The meeting was held at 1:30 p.m. in Room 330 Stevenson-Lawson Building.

PRESENT: Ms. H. Connell, Chair
Ms. I. Birrell, Secretary
Mr. D. Alexander
Mr. F. Angeletti
Dr. D. Bentley
Ms. L. Burke
Mr. S. Coxford
Dr. P. Davenport
Mr. T. Garrard
Ms. L. Gribbon
Ms. S. Grindrod
Ms. G. Kulczycki
Dr. F. Longstaffe
Ms. K. Meighen
Dr. L. Miller
Mr. J. Nash
Ms. M. Noble
Mr. G. Raymer
Mr. M. Reid
Dr. S. Singh
Ms. J. Vanderheyden
Mr. H. Vander Laan
Dr. J. White
Mr. R. Yamada

By Invitation: Mr. R. Chelladurai, Ms. L. Logan, Ms. M. Parkin, Dr. A. Weedon

BG.07-01 Welcome New Board Member

The Chair welcomed Ms. J. Vanderheyden, who as Warden of the County of Middlesex, is an ex-officio member of the Board. She is also the new Deputy Mayor of Strathroy-Caradoc.

BG.07-02 REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

The President reported on the Higher Education Quality Council of Ontario (HECQO), created by the McGuinty government as part of “Reaching Higher”, the Province’s plan for post-secondary education; the Federal Economic and Fiscal Update; and Western’s Successes in Canada Foundation for Innovation grants and Ontario Research Fund awards. Activities of the President during the months of December 2006 and January 2007 were included in the Report distributed with the Agenda. Overhead slides used to highlight his presentation are attached as Appendix 1 to these minutes.

The President also congratulated the Board Chair, Helen Connell, who is the Executive Director of
United Way, on the recently announced success of the campaign which raised $6.85 million. Ms. Connell, in turn, congratulated the University for raising $430,620 towards the campaign.

**UNAMOUS CONSENT AGENDA** [Appendix 1]

It was moved by R. Yamada, seconded by L. Gribbon,

That the 22 items listed in Appendix 1, excluding item 12, Proposed Planning Timetable for the Next Campaign, item 14, Affiliation Agreement with Brescia, Huron and King’s University Colleges, and item 16, First-Year, First-Entry Undergraduate Enrolment for the Constituent University and the Affiliated University Colleges, be approved and/or received for information by the Board of Governors by unanimous consent.

CARRIED

**Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

The Chair noted one correction to the minutes of the November 23, 2006 meeting. The first line of the Report of the Senior Operations Committee (BG.06-133) should read, “The Report of the Senior Operations Committee…”

The open session minutes of the meeting of November 23, 2006 were approved with the inclusion of the above-noted correction.

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

**Term Endowments - Amendments to Policies 2.11: Investment Payout Policy, 2.22: Funding for Academic Chairs and Professorships, and 2.26: Funding of Designated Faculty Fellowships**

It was moved by M. Noble, seconded by F. Angeletti,

That the Investment Payout Policy (MAPP 2.11), Funding for Academic Chairs and Professorships Policy (MAPP 2.22) and Funding of Designated Faculty Fellowships Policy (MAPP 2.26) be changed as indicated in Appendix II, Annex 1, effective May 1, 2007.

Ms. Noble said that the changes to these policies are responsive to the needs of donors by providing them options with regard to endowment terms. It was noted that in the last campaign, only one-third of funds donated were endowed. The policy change also allows interest earned to be folded back into the donation instead of going into general university operating funds.

The motion was called and CARRIED.

**Information Items Reported by Property & Finance**

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

- Scholarships/Awards/Bursaries/Prizes
- SOGS Bus Pass Fee Reduction
- Quarterly Financial Report
- Ancillary Financial Report
• Quarterly Ratio Report on Endowed Funds
• Report of the Investment Committee
• Report on Environmental/Safety Incidents
• Expenditure Report on Capital Projects over $1 Million

REPORT OF THE CAMPUS AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

BG.07-07 MAPP Policy 1.2 - Flying of Flags and Banners [Appendix III]

It was moved by R. Yamada, seconded by L. Gribbon,

That Policy 1.2 - Flying of Flags and Banners be amended as shown in Appendix III, Annex 1.

CARRIED by Unanimous Consent.

REPORT OF THE DEVELOPMENT AND FUND RAISING COMMITTEE [Appendix IV]

BG.07-08 Proposed Planning Timetable for the Next Campaign: 2007-2014

Mr. Garrard gave an overview of the planning timetable for the next campaign: 2007-2014. The initial steps for the proposed planning timetable include plans to: 1) meet with the Deans and many unit leaders to develop an itemized list of priority projects; 2) tie the faculties’ and units’ plans with those of the strategic plan; and 3) establish a marketing/communication plan for promotion of the next campaign. Starting in May, the University will commence the “quiet phase” of the campaign. During the two-year quiet phase the next round of fundraising priorities will be identified, volunteer leadership will be recruited, consultation with past and prospective supporters will occur, financial targets will be established and early lead gifts will be solicited. A formal public launch of this effort will be made in Fall 2009.

BG.07-09 Information Items reported by the Development and Fund Raising Committee

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

• Cost of Fund Raising Policy
• 2006-07 Second Quarter Fund Raising Results.

ITEMS REFERRED BY SENATE [Appendix V]

BG.07-10 Affiliation Agreement with Brescia, Huron and King’s University Colleges

It was moved by P. Davenport, seconded by J. White,

That the Board of Governors approve the Affiliation Agreement for The University of Western Ontario and Brescia, Huron and King’s University Colleges, as shown in Appendix V, Annex 1, as recommended by Senate.

Dr. Longstaffe provided an overview of the Affiliation Agreement with Brescia, Huron and King’s University Colleges, detailed in Appendix V, Annex 1. He stated that the Agreement provides a clear
articulation of the role of the Affiliated Colleges within the University, provides a resolution regarding the offering of summer courses and describes a process as to how the Colleges work with the constituent University to forge partnerships with other institutions.

The question was called and CARRIED.

**BG.07-11 First-Year, First-Entry Undergraduate Enrolment for the Constituent University and the Affiliated University Colleges**

The Board received for information the First-Year, First-Entry Undergraduate Enrolment for the Constituent University and the Affiliated University Colleges, detailed in Appendix V, Annexes 3 and 4. The projected full-time undergraduate enrolment for 2006-07 is 20,557. Dr. Longstaffe noted that, in keeping with Western’s Strategic Plan, full-time Masters students will increase from 2,295 in 2006-07 to 2,820 in 2011-12 and PhD students will increase from 1,422 in 2006-07 to 1,919 in 2011-12; total first-year undergraduate enrolment in the Constituent University is projected to remain constant at 4,350 for 2007-2012.

**BG.07-12 Information Items Reported by Senate**

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

- 2006 Enrolment Update
- Report on Student Finances
- 2006 Annual Report on the Review of Graduate Programs
- Report on Entering Averages and First-Year Grades
- New Programs
- Order of Spring Convocation 2007
- Academic Administrative Appointments

H. Connell I. Birrell  
Chair Secretary
Report to the Board of Governors

• HEQCO
• Federal Economic and Fiscal Update
• Western’s Success in CFI
• Ontario Research Fund

Dr. Paul Davenport
January 25, 2007

Higher Education Quality Council of Ontario

• Established under Ontario “Reaching Higher”
• Mandate: “To assist the Minister in improving all aspects of the postsecondary education sector, including improving the quality of education provided in the sector, access to postsecondary education and accountability of postsecondary institutions.”

HEQCO

• Quality: set targets, strategies, time-frames, and performance measures
• Evaluations of PSE: indicators
• Research and modelling
• Encourage collaboration across the sector

HEQCO Leadership

• Chair: Frank Iacobucci – former Supreme Court Justice (1991-2004) and interim President of University of Toronto (2004-05)
• President: James Downey – former President, University of Waterloo (1993-99) and University of New Brunswick (1980-90)

Federal Economic and Fiscal Update

November 23, 2006

• Hon. Jim Flaherty, Minister of Finance
• “Advantage Canada: Building a Strong Economy for Canadians”

“Advantage Canada” - Knowledge Advantage

Investment in Research and Innovation

• World-class research in universities supported by increased funding for granting councils
• Infrastructure: research equipment and facilities
• Graduate scholarship support
Investment in Research and Innovation - continued

- Private-sector research opportunities: collaborations and student internships
- Transfer of some federal labs to universities

Western’s Success in CFI - continued

- Hybrid Imaging ($10 M) – Frank Prato and Jim Koropatnik (Schulich) – simultaneous combination of imaging to improve diagnosis and patient care
- “Green Building” ($7 M) – Hugo deLasa (Engineering) – conversion of agricultural resources into biofuels through environmentally friendly chemical processes and to remove pollutants from air and water using solar energy

Western’s Success in CFI - continued

- Advanced Facility for Avian Research – AFAR ($4 M) – Scott MacDougall-Shackleton (Psychology) – hypobaric, climatic bird wind tunnel to study the physiology and aerodynamics of migratory flight – first in Canada

Western’s Success in CFI - continued

- National Centre for Audiology ($660K) – Prudence Allen (Communications Science and Disorders) – multidisciplinary study of hearing and hearing impairment – world-class centre for hearing science
- Advanced Manufacturing – High Pressure/Temperature Facility ($520K) – Richard Secco (Earth Sciences) – experimental study of earth, planetary and materials science under high pressures and temperatures – facility unique in Canada

Ontario Research Fund – continued

- Exercise and Health Psychology Laboratory ($390K) – Harry Prapavessis, Kinesiology
- Novel Photocatalysis and Reactor Laboratory ($256K) – Ajay Ray, Chemical and Biochemical Engineering
- Innovative Ground water Remediation Strategies ($228K) – Denis O’Carroll, Civil & Environmental Engineering

Ontario Research Fund – continued

- Ultrasound Systems Development Laboratory ($227K) – Tamie Poepping, Physics & Astronomy
- Mechanisms of Cellular and Neurological Dysfunction ($211K) – Michael Poulter, Physiology & Pharmacology and RRI
Ontario Research Fund – continued

• Neurodegenerative Disease and Stroke Signaling ($63K) – Sean Cregan, Physiology & Pharmacology and RRI

• Lifecycle Human Capital Investment ($54K) – Lance Lochner - Economics