MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SENATE

March 17, 2006

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

SENATORS: 67

N. Abbas
F. Angeletti
M. Bartlett
F. Berruti
I. Birrell
L. Bowman
M. Broadfoot
C. Brown
S. Camiletti
M. Carroll
A. Clark
N. Crowther
P. Davenport
P. Dean
L. Donalds
F. Dolan
P. Doyle
N. Ecclestone
J. Etherington
J. Floryan
J. Garnett
J. Green
R. Haines

R. Harris
S. Hatibovic-Kofman
T. Hewitt
E. Holder
S. Kabene
M. Kreiswirth
Y-C. Kuo
D. Leighton
F. Longstaffe
P. Lopes
I. Luginaah
R. Lumpkin
R. Macmillan
P. Markvoort
L. McKechnie
W. McKercher
L. Miller
B. Millman
J. Nisker
K. Okruhlik
B. Osborne
A. Pearson
R. Rajakumar

R. Robertson
A. Sells
R. Semmens
D. Shrubsole
S. Singh
P. Skidmore
S. Spaulding
C. Stephenson
T. Sumson
J. Tennant
B. Timney
T. Topic
T. Vandervoort
S. Watt
J. Weese
J. White
M. Wilson
B. Wood
P. Woodford
E. Yanful
B. Zener

Observers: L. Gribbon, D. Jameson, G. Tigert, A. Weedon

S.06-42

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of February 17, 2006 were approved with the inclusion of the following correction (shown in strikeout) to S.06-22: Retention of Audio Tapes of Senate meetings, clause (c):

(c) Senate meeting will be tape recorded for use by the Secretariat. The tapes will be retained for two years and erased following the official approval of the minutes by Senate.

The Secretary also drew attention to a Secretary’s Note in item S.06-35 correcting the titles of the Chair and Faculty Fellowship in the BMOS program funded by the gift from Mr. Aubrey Dan.
REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

The President reported on Provincial and Federal government relations, his trip to Rwanda and March Break Open House. Overhead slides used to highlight his presentation are attached as Appendix 1.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE [Exhibit I]

Senate Committee on Academic Policy and Awards

Professor R. Schincariol was elected to SCAPA to replace E. Goehring who is unable to serve (term to December 31, 2007).

Selection Committee: Dean of the Faculty of Education

Professor D. Bellhouse was elected to the Selection Committee: Dean of the Faculty of Education.

ACADEMIC POLICY AND AWARDS [Exhibit II]

Brescia University College: Introduction of Three BMOS Major Modules; Redesignation of Four Specializations from BACS to BMOS

It was moved by J. Tennant, seconded by S. Clark,

That effective May 1, 2006 for the Bachelor of Management and Organizational Studies at Brescia University College:

- BMOS Major modules be introduced in: Accounting; Management and Organizational Studies; Organizational and Human Resources; and,
- Bachelor of Administrative and Commercial Studies Specialization modules be reintroduced as BMOS Specialization modules in: Finance and Administration; Finance and Administration with French; Organizational and Human Resources; Organizational and Human Resources with French.

CARRIED

Huron University College: Introduction of Three BMOS Major Modules; Redesignation of Three Specializations from BACS to BMOS

It was moved by J. Tennant, seconded by F. Dolan,

That effective May 1, 2006 for the Bachelor of Management and Organizational Studies at Huron University College:

- BMOS Major modules be introduced in: Accounting; Management and Organizational Studies; Organizational and Human Resources; and,
- Bachelor of Administrative and Commercial Studies Specialization modules be reintroduced as BMOS modules in: Finance and Administration; Organizational and Human Resources; International and Comparative Studies.

CARRIED

King’s University College: Introduction of Four BMOS Major Modules; Redesignation of Four Specialization Modules from BACS to BMOS; Renaming of Specialization in Global Commercial Enterprise to Specialization in Global Commerce

It was moved by J. Tennant, seconded by J. Green,

That effective May 1, 2006 for the Bachelor in Management and Organizational Studies at
King’s University College:

- BMOS Major modules be introduced in: Accounting; Management and Organizational Studies; Organizational and Human Resources; Global Commerce; and,
- Bachelor of Administrative and Commercial Studies Specialization modules be reintroduced as BMOS Specializations in: Global Commerce; Finance and Administration; Finance, Administration and Computer Science; Organizational and Human Resources; and,
- the BACS Specialization in Global Commercial Enterprise be renamed “Global Commerce.”

CARRIED

S.06-49  
**King’s University College: Records Check and Vulnerable Sector Screening Policy for Social Justice and Peace Studies, Social Work and Thanatology**

S.06-49a  
**Social Justice and Peace Studies**

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

That effective September 1, 2006 the policy on Records Check and Vulnerable Sector Screening detailed in Exhibit II, item 4a, be approved for Social Justice and Peace Studies at King’s University College.

CARRIED

S.06-49b  
**Social Work Practicum**

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

That effective September 1, 2006 the general description of the Social Work Practicum at King’s University College, detailed in Exhibit II, item 4b, be revised to clarify the roles and responsibilities associated with a Records Check and Vulnerable Sector Screening.

CARRIED

S.06-49c  
**Thanatology**

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

That effective September 1, 2006 the policy on Records Check and Vulnerable Sector Screening, detailed in Exhibit II, item 4c, be approved for Thanatology at King’s University College.

CARRIED

S.06-50  
**Faculty of Information and Media Studies: Admission to Media and the Public Interest Program**

It was moved by J. Tennant, seconded by J. Weese,

That admission to the Honors Specialization and Major modules in Media and the Public Interest, offered by the Faculty of Information and Media Studies, be moved from third to second year; that the admission, progression and graduation requirements be revised to conform with current approved requirements for modules in the MIT Program; and, that minor curriculum modifications, detailed in Exhibit II, item 5, be introduced to accommodate the change to a second-year entry program, effective September 1, 2006.

CARRIED
Western-Fanshawe Collaborative Nursing Program: Admission Requirements

Changes to Admission Requirements for All Secondary School Applicants

It was moved by J. Tennant, seconded by B. Osborne,

That effective for the 2007-2008 application cycle, all secondary school applicants to the Western-Fanshawe Collaborative BScN program must have completed the requirements outlined in Exhibit II, item 6a, to receive admission consideration.

CARRIED

Changes to Admission Requirements for Post-secondary Applicants

It was moved by J. Tennant, seconded by B. Osborne,

That effective for the 2007-2008 application cycle, all applicants to the Western-Fanshawe Collaborative BScN program who currently are enrolled in a university, or who previously have attended a university or other post-secondary institution, must have completed the requirements as detailed in Exhibit II, item 6b, to receive admission consideration.

CARRIED

Faculty of Engineering: BESc/MD Degree in Electrical Engineering and Medicine; Admission from CAATs

BESc/MD Concurrent Degree Program in “Electrical Engineering and Medicine”

It was moved by J. Tennant, seconded by F. Berruti,

That effective September 1, 2006, a limited-enrolment concurrent degree program leading to a BESc in Electrical Engineering and an MD degree from the Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry, detailed in Exhibit II, item 7a, be introduced in the Faculty of Engineering.

CARRIED

Faculty of Engineering: Admission Requirements from CAATs

It was moved by J. Tennant, seconded by J. Floryan,

That the admission requirements to the Faculty of Engineering from the Colleges of Applied Arts and Technology (CAAT), detailed in Exhibit II, item 7b, be revised to reflect more accurately the Faculty’s policy toward College transfer credit.

CARRIED

New Scholarships and Awards

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

Carol Buck Graduate Scholarship (Faculty of Graduate Studies, Epidemiology & Biostatistics)
Marie Simbert Writing Program Student Achievement Prizes
A.M.F.G. Award in Nursing (Faculty of Health Sciences, Nursing)
Audrey Metzler Memorial Award in Nursing (Faculty of Health Sciences, Nursing)
Geoffrey and Paula Kwitko Award (Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry, MD Program)
Criminal Lawyers Association of Ontario Award for Second Year (Faculty of Law)
Criminal Lawyers Association of Ontario Award for Third Year (Faculty of Law)
Enterprise Rent-A-Car Strategic Management Award (Faculty of Social Science, Administrative & Commercial Studies)
London and District Dental Society Award (Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry, Dentistry)
Ralph S. Devereux Award in Psychology (Faculty of Graduate Studies, Psychology)
Bob Gage Athletic Leadership Awards (Any Undergraduate Faculty)

S.06-54

**Editorial Amendment to the Calendar Copy for BMOS Graduation Requirements**

An editorial amendment has been made to the Graduation Requirements approved at the last meeting of Senate (S.06-25). The calendar copy has been changed

From: “To graduate ... All students require 2.0 designated essay courses and 1.0 course from the Faculty of Arts and Humanities to graduate. Writing courses may not be used to fulfill the 1.0 course Arts and Humanities requirement.”

To: “To graduate...All students require 2.0 designated essay courses, at least 1.0 of which must be a senior course (numbered 100-499). In addition, 1.0 course from each of the Faculties of Arts and Humanities, the Faculty of Science and one other faculty must be included. Writing courses may not be used to fulfill the 1.0 course in Arts and Humanities requirement.”

The new wording pertains to the Essay Course Requirements and Breadth Requirements outlined on page 31 of the 2006 Academic Calendar.

Professor Dean recommended that the advice in the revised graduation requirements concerning writing courses should be added under the heading “Writing” in the course listing in the Academic Calendar. The Chair of SCAPA took this suggestion under advisement.

S.06-55

**REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC COLLEAGUE**

The Report of the Academic Colleague on the 279th meeting of the Council of Ontario Universities, detailed in Exhibit III, was received for information. Topics discussed included tuition fees, the model of graduate funding, the Freedom of Information and Privacy Protection Act, and two papers, Academic Citizenship and Academic Star System.

Professor Carroll asked if Senate will receive a follow-up report on the paper “Academic Star System” because of the questions raised in the Report of the Academic Colleague. Noting that neither the Academic Colleague nor the Alternate were present, Dr. Davenport agreed to forward the request to Professors Doerksen and Suarez for their consideration and response.

S.06-56

**ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNICATIONS**

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

Dr. Davenport reported the recent appointment of Professor Louise Milligan as the Associate Dean (Administration) for the Faculty of Science (May 1, 2006 - June 30, 2009) and welcomed Mr. Ed Holder an appointee to Senate from the Board of Governors.

**ENQUIRIES AND NEW BUSINESS**

S.06-57

**Accountability Agreements**

Professor Carroll had submitted a question about the nature and scope of accountability agreements signed by the President on the University’s behalf. Dr. Davenport confirmed that Western recently signed an Interim Accountability Agreement (IAA) associated with the allocation of the Quality Improvement Fund. Western has signed similar agreements in the past with respect to reporting on how government funds are used. Currently, 78 different reports are submitted to the province each year. Details of the IAA report will be released by the Minister after the agreement is signed by all the universities. Generally, the Accountability Agreement outlines how the University intends to use the additional funds provided in last year’s Spring budget.
Western’s top priorities include the recruitment of faculty and staff and general improvements to enhance the student experience such as investing resources in the Registrar’s Office. Dr. Davenport advised that in November he wrote a letter to the Minister outlining Western’s priorities and the use of the funds associated with the Quality Improvement Fund. He agreed to distribute the letter to Senate. Western’s priorities are presented to Senate for information every year as part of the budget planning process and advice is forwarded to the Board. By June 2006, the Report of the Strategic Planning Task Force will be drafted and will include a longer term view of Western’s priorities. The report will be forwarded to Senate and the Board in the Fall.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.
President's Report to Senate

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Federal Government Relations

February 1 Trip to Ottawa with Ted Hewitt and Karli Farrow

- Janet Halliwell, SSHRC
- Elliott Phillipson, CFI
- Alan Bernstein, CIHR
- Pierre Coulombe, NRC
- Suzanne Fortier, NSERC
- Iain Stewart, Director General, Innovation Policy branch, Industry Canada

March 20 Trip to Ottawa with Ted Hewitt and Karli Farrow

- Ian Brodie, Chief of Staff, PMO
- Kevin Lynch, Clerk of the Privy Council
- Adam Chowaniec, Chair, Ontario Research & Innovation Council
- Maxime Bernier, Minister of Industry Canada (with AUCC Delegation)

Provincial Government Relations

- Breakfast with Minister Chris Bentley – January 12
- Colin Andersen, Deputy Minister, Finance – January 25
- Deb Matthews, MPP, London North Centre (with Karli Farrow) – March 3

- Philip Steenkamp, Deputy Minister, MTCU (at COU) – March 10
- Khalil Ramal, MPP, London-Fanshawe (with Karli Farrow) – March 13
- Alastair Glass, Deputy Minister, Research & Innovation (with Karli Farrow) – March 15

Trip to Rwanda – Feb. 20 – 22

With Ted Hewitt, Vice-President (Research and International Relations)

February 20

- Team leaders David Cechetto, Kim Cechetto, Francis Kabanga, Dr. Desiré Ndashabandi, Rector of Kigali Health Institute
- Dr. Emile Rwamasirabo, Ambassador of Rwanda to Japan, former Minister of Health
- Emmanuel Mudidi, Rector, Kigali Institute of Education, former Minister of Education
- Visit to Kigali Memorial Centre in Gisozi
Trip to Rwanda
February 21
- Kigali Health Institute
- Centre Hospitalier Universitaire de Kigali – tour of AIDS and pediatric wards
- Romain Murenzi, Minister of Education
- Jacques Laberge, Consul-General of Canada in Kigali

Trip to Rwanda
February 22
- Jeanne D'Arc Mujawamariya, Secretary of State for Higher Education
- President Paul Kagame – invited to Western, April, 2006

March Break Open House
Saturday, March 11, 9am – 4pm
- 4,340 registered guests
- President's welcome at all first-year entry Faculties
- Presentations from all first and second-entry Faculties/programs and schools
- Mini-lectures, student panels, demonstrations
- 20 ancillary/support units in drop-in centre

March Break Open House
- Campus bus and walking tours
- Residence tours – 5 residences open for viewing – tours and meals for guests
- Many comments on outstanding programs and Facilities, beauty of the campus
- Thanks to 800 volunteers who made this a great day: 480 students, 180 staff, and 140 faculty.

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