MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SENATE

May 10, 2013

The meeting was held at 1:30 p.m. in Room 3345 Somerville House

SENATORS: 63

J. Aitken Schermer  K. Foulong  B. Neff
I. Ajiferuke  R. Graham  C. Nolan
C. Beynon  C. Harvey  B. Prajapati
I. Birrell  J. Hatch  P. Ryan
M. Blagrave  J. Holmes  I. Scott
C. Brown  J. Hopkins  S. Seck
S. Camiletti  A. Hrymak  D. Stanford
J. Capone  G. Hunter  C. Stephenson
A. Chakma  R. Klassen (Ivey)  M. Strong
K. Clark  J. Knowles  K. Sullivan
S. Connor  H. Lagerlund  T. Sutherland
A. Conway  J. Lamarche  D. Sylvester
K. Coughlin  C. Lee  B. Timney
L. Davies  B. Leipert  E. Tithecott
J. Deakin  S. Macfie  A. Vainio-Mattila
C. Dean  J. Malkin  D. Velasquez
J. Dickey  P. McKenzie  A. Watson
J. Doerksen  M. Milde  J. Weese
N. Dyer-Witheford  L. Miller  G. West
L. Elliott  J. Mitchell  S. Wetmore
J. Etherington  J. Morgan  B.A. Younker

Observers:  B. Butler, L. Gribbon, K. Okruhlik, G. Tigert, A. Weedon

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting of April 12, 2013 were approved as circulated.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

The President reported on the following matters: decanal announcements, Hellmuth Prize for Research Achievement, and Election to Royal Society. Overhead slides used to highlight his presentation are attached as Appendix 1.

Dr. Chakma also reported on: Huron University College’s Theological Convocation held on May 9, 2013, celebrating its 150th anniversary; provincial budget update, inaugural meeting of the International Advisory Board comprised of alumni involved with three foundations: Hong Kong, New York and United Kingdom; campaign update and the Governor General’s State Visits to Ghana, Botswana and South Africa as Dr. Chakma will be a member of the “Accompanying Delegation”.
Responding to a concern that the President of the Alumni Association had not been included as a member of the International Advisory Board, Dr. Chakma stated that this advisory board’s focus is on international activities of the university, not alumni relations per se, but indicated that he would take the question under advisement.

**REPORT OF THE OPERATIONS/AGENDA COMMITTEE [EXHIBIT I]**

**S13.77 Chancellors Emeriti Serving as Chancellor at Convocation**

It was moved by J. Weese, seconded by D. Standford,

That Senate determine that Chancellors Emeriti who have been appointed to Adjunct Professor status be designated as Faculty under *The University of Western Ontario Act* for the purpose of performing the Chancellor’s duties as needed from time to time.

CARRIED

**S.13-78 Revised Order of Ceremony for Fall Convocation 2013**

Senate received for information the revised Order of Ceremony for Fall Convocation 2013, scheduled for October 31 and November 1, as detailed in Exhibit I, Appendix 1.

**S.13-79 Replacement Student Senators for the May and June 2013 Senate Meetings**

The policy on Senate Elections states:

“If a vacancy occurs for both the May and June meetings, prior to the commencement of new terms in July, the Senator-elect in the constituency will be invited by the Secretary of Senate to assume the vacant seat. In the case of undergraduate constituencies wherein there is more than one Senator-elect, the invitations will be extended to candidates in an order determined by their plurality in that election.”

**S.13-79a Undergraduate Student At-Large Constituency**

Kelly Lovell, elected representative on Senate for the Undergraduate At-Large constituency, resigned from Senate effective May 1, 2013. Emerson Tithecott, Senator-elect in the At-Large constituency has been invited to attend the May and June meetings.

**S.13-79b Graduate Student Constituency**

Mary Eileen Wennekers, elected representative on Senate for the Graduate Student constituency, has resigned from Senate, effective May 1, 2013. Bhavin Prajapati, Senator-elect in that constituency has been invited to attend the May and June Senate meetings.

**REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC POLICY AND AWARDS [EXHIBIT II]**

**S.13-80 Faculty of Law: Revisions to the Diplôme de Français Juridique Program; Revisions to the JD Program Upper-year Curriculum**

**S.13-80a Revisions to Admission and Program Requirements of the Diplôme de Français Juridique Program**

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by M. Milde,

That Senate approve that the Diplôme de Français Juridique program in the Faculty of Law be revised as set out in Exhibit II, Appendix 1, effective September 1, 2013.

CARRIED
S.13-80b Revisions to the JD Program Upper-year Curriculum

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by M. Milde,

That Senate approve that the JD program’s upper-year curriculum in the Faculty of Law be revised as set out in Exhibit II, Appendix 1, effective September 1, 2013.

CARRIED

S.13-81 Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry and Faculty of Science: Revisions to Admission and Module Requirements for the Honors Specialization in Medical Biophysics (Medical Science Concentration), Specialization in Medical Biophysics, and Major in Medical Biophysics

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by A. Watson,

That Senate approve the following, effective September 1, 2013, as set out in Exhibit II, Appendix 2:

That the Honors Specialization in Medical Biophysics (Medical Science Concentration), the Specialization in Medical Biophysics, and the Major in Medical Biophysics, be revised;

That the 2000-level courses listed in the Admission Requirements for the Honors Specialization in Medical Biophysics (Medical Science Concentration), the Specialization in Medical Biophysics, and the Major in Medical Biophysics (for students pursuing a BMSc degree), be revised to reflect the revisions to the proposed modules, for students admitted to the Medical Sciences First Entry Program; and,

That the Weighted Averages Chart be revised for the Honors Specialization in Medical Biophysics.

CARRIED

S.13-82 Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry and Faculty of Science: Honors Specialization in Epidemiology and Biostatistics; “Epidemiology” and “Biostatistics” as Undergraduate Subject Areas

S.13-82a Introduction of an Honors Specialization in Epidemiology and Biostatistics in the BMSc Program

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by T. Sutherland,

That Senate approve that an Honors Specialization in Epidemiology and Biostatistics leading to a Bachelor of Medical Sciences (BMSc) degree be introduced in the Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry and Faculty of Science, as set out in Exhibit II, Appendix 3, effective September 1, 2013.

It was noted that issues arising out of cross-faculty teaching, including course duplication and impinging on resources of other faculties, needed to be borne in mind in the context of the development of this and other similar programs. Dr. Timney agreed that cross-faculty teaching needed to be addressed as did the way in which funds flow to deal with “out of faculty” enrolments.

The question was called and CARRIED.
S.13-82b  **Introduction of “Epidemiology” and “Biostatistics” as Undergraduate Subject Areas**  
It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by T. Sutherland,  
That Senate approve that “Epidemiology” and “Biostatistics” be introduced as undergraduate subject areas and be included in the “Medical Sciences” list in Category C of the Breadth Requirements for Bachelor Degrees, effective September 1, 2013.  
CARRIED

S.13-83  **Huron University College: Introduction of Three New History Minors**  
It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by M. Blagrave,  
That, effective September 1, 2013, the following three new Minors be introduced at Huron University College: Minor in World History, Minor in the Atlantic World, and Minor in Studies in Imperialism, as set out in Exhibit II, Appendix 4.  
CARRIED

S.13-84  **New Scholarships, Awards and Bursaries**  
SCAPA has approved on behalf of the Senate, for recommendation to the Board of Governors through the President & Vice-Chancellor, the Terms of Reference for the new scholarships, awards and bursaries, as set out in Exhibit II, Appendix 5.

S.13-85  **2013 Report of the Western Athletic Financial Awards Committee**  
Senate received for information the 2013 report of the Western Athletic Financial Awards Committee is set out in Exhibit II, Appendix 5.

S.13-86  **REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY PLANNING [EXHIBIT III]**  

S.13-86  **Ivey Alumni Association/Toronto Faculty Professorship in Business Leadership – Name Change**  
It was moved by J. Hatch, seconded by C. Stephenson,  
That Senate approve and recommend to the Board of Governors through the Vice-Chancellor, that the existing *Ivey Alumni Association Toronto Club Faculty Fellowship in Business Leadership* established on June 28, 1999 at the Richard Ivey School of Business be renamed the *Ivey Alumni Association/Toronto Faculty Professorship in Business Leadership* and adhere to the terms already established.  
CARRIED

S.13-87  **Creation of the Department of Management and Organizational Studies**  
It was moved by J. Hatch, seconded by J. Aitken-Schermer,  
That the Department of Management and Organizational Studies be created effective July 1, 2013 and that the Aubrey Dan Program in Management and Organizational Studies be housed within the new department.

Dean Stephenson spoke against the motion, stating that establishing the new department will lead to a perception that Western has two competing business schools, causing confusion for prospective students and employers alike. This concern about the blurring of the lines between the two programs was not new. She had raised it when the program name was changed to
incorporate the term “management.” Over time the program has evolved and has added specializations in finance, accounting, etc. leading to further convergence with the Ivey program. Others in agreement with Dean Stephenson expressed concern at the degree of overlap and program duplication that had developed. A member suggested that this was, in part, a natural result of the enrolment-driven budget model that had been adopted and should be a matter of concern for all governing bodies of the university.

In response, Dr. Timney stressed that the motion at hand would not change the operations of the Program or any of the modules that were currently offered by them; it was a simple housekeeping change that recognized the significant growth in Aubrey Dan Program over the past decade to the point that it functions in every respect like a department. He did not believe that the change would lead to brand dilution and confusion. The market for the two programs is very different and both remain in very high demand. Notwithstanding, he agreed that it was important that Social Science and Ivey continue to monitor and discuss issues regarding the relationship between the two programs.

The question was called and CARRIED.

S.13-88

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** [EXHIBIT IV]

Announcements detailed in Exhibit IV, were received for information.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.
President’s Report to Senate

May 10, 2013

• Decanal announcements
  ➢ Robert (Bob) Kennedy (Ivey)
  ➢ Brian Timney (Social Science)

• Hellmuth Prize for Research Achievement
  ➢ Adrian Owen (Brain and Mind Institute)
  ➢ Paul Beamish (Ivey)

• Election to Royal Society
  ➢ Mel Goodale (Psychology, Brain and Mind Institute)