MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SENATE

October 18, 2013

The meeting was held at 1:30 p.m. in Room 56, University Community Centre

SENATORS: 67

J. Aitken Schermer  J. Hopkins  B. Prajapati
M.A. Andrusyszyn  A. Hrymak  D. Rogers
N. Banerjee  Y. Huang  M. Rothstein
D. Belliveau  G. Jim  A-M. Santos
C. Beynon  R. Kennedy  S. Saravanabavan
I. Birrell  R. Klassen (Ivey)  C. Schnurr
P. Bishop  A. Lalka  V. Schwean
M. Blagrave  J. Lamarche  M. Singh
S. Camiletti  C. Lee  R. Sookraj
J. Capone  A. Leschied  M. Strong
M. Clapton  J. Litchfield  T. Sutherland
K. Coughlin  J. Malkin  Z. Syed
J. Deakin  S. McClatchie  B. Timney
C. Dean  S. McDonald Aziz  E. Tithecott
G. Dekaban  R. Mercer  A. Vainio-Mattila
J. Dickey  K. Mequaniint  N. Wathen
L. Elliott  M. Milde  J. Weese
J. English  S. Mischler  G. West
J. Etherington  B. Neff  C. Wilkins
S. George  D. Neufeld  M. Wilson
C. Gobert  T. Newson  B.A. Younker
R. Graham  C. Nolan
A. Grzyb  N. Pilo

Observers: L. Gribbon, K. Okruhlik, G. Tigert

By Invitation:  H. Connell

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MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting of September 20, 2013 were approved as circulated.

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REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

On behalf of Dr. Chakma, Dr. Deakin reported to Senate on the following items:  release of Dr. Tarek Loubani from prison in Egypt, Nobel Laureate Alice Munro, appointment of Ms. Kelly Cole as the new Vice-President (External), opening of the Centre for Public Health and Family Medicine and the WindEEE Dome, the RISE program event at Ivey, and an update on the third draft of the Strategic Plan.
S.13-146  **PRESIDENT’S PRIORITIES**

Senate received for information the President’s Priorities for 2013-14, detailed in the exhibit distributed with the agenda.

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

S.13-147  **Candidates for Degrees and Diplomas – Autumn Convocation 2013**

On behalf of the Senate the Provost approves the list of Candidates for Degrees and Diplomas upon the recommendation of the Registrar [S.96-124]. The list of Candidates approved by the Provost is appended to the Official Minutes of this meeting.

**REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE** [Exhibit II]

S.13-148  **Senate Review Board Academic - Graduate Student Membership**

M. Zehairi was elected to SRBA to replace H. Thomson who has resigned.

**REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC POLICY AND AWARDS** [Exhibit III]

S.13-149  **School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies: Dual-Credential Master's Degree between The Norwegian School of Economics (“NHH”) and Western (Richard Ivey School of Business)**

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by C. Beynon,

That effective September 1, 2013, Senate approve and recommend to the Board of Governors through the Vice-Chancellor, that the agreement for a Dual-Credential Master’s Degree leading to a Master of Science in Economics and Business Administration, with a Major in any field from NHH and a Master of Science in Management from Western (Richard Ivey School of Business), be introduced in the School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies.

CARRIED

S.13-150  **King’s University College: Dual-Credential Degree (2+2) Agreements**

S.13-150a  **International Business School, Chongqing Business and Technology University**

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

That Senate approve and recommend to the Board of Governors through the President & Vice-Chancellor:

That the dual-credential degree (2+2) agreement set out in Exhibit III, Appendix 2, be approved effective May 1, 2013, to allow qualified students registered in the Bachelor of Management or Bachelor of Economics at the International Business School, Chongqing Technology and Business University (CTBU), China, to be admitted into Year 3 of the Bachelor of Management and Organizational Studies (BMOS) with Honors Double Major in either Accounting or Global Commerce (MOS program) and Finance (Economics program), at King’s University College, and upon successful completion of the program, to qualify for degrees from both Western and CTBU.

CARRIED
S.13-150b  **School of International Business, Dongbei University of Finance and Economics**

Prior to considering the motion, Dr. Timney reported the following correction to items 35 and 50 of Appendix 3 (page 13): “Additional courses at the 2000 level.”

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

That Senate approve and recommend to the Board of Governors through the President & Vice-Chancellor:

That the dual-credential degree (2+2) agreement set out in Exhibit III, Appendix 3 be approved, effective May 1, 2013, to allow qualified students registered in the Bachelor of Management or Bachelor of Economics at Dongbei University of Finance and Economics (DUFE), China, to be admitted into Year 3 of either the Bachelor of Management and Organizational Studies (BMOS) (Honors Specialization in Finance and Administration), or the Bachelor of Arts Honors Economics, at King’s University College, and upon successful completion of the program, to qualify for degrees from both Western and DUFE.

CARRIED

S.13-151  **Faculty of Science and Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry: Revisions to Microbiology and Immunology Modules**

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by G. Dekaban,

That the Admission Requirements for the Honors Specialization in Microbiology and Immunology, Specialization in Microbiology and Immunology, and Honors Specialization in Biochemistry of Infection, be revised as set out in Exhibit III, Appendix 4, for students entering Year 3 of the Bachelor of Medical Science (BMSc), in the Faculty of Science and Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry, in September 2015, and

That the Admission Requirements for the Major in Microbiology and Immunology, in the Faculty of Science and School of Medicine & Dentistry, be revised as set out in Exhibit III, Appendix 4, effective September 1, 2015.

CARRIED

S.13-152a  **Revisions to the Policy on Undergraduate Grades for Courses Taken on Exchange**

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by J. Aitken Schermer,

That effective September 1, 2013, the policy on “Undergraduate Grades for Courses Taken on Exchange” be revised as set out in Exhibit III, item 4a.

CARRIED

S.13-152b  **Revisions to the Policy on Scheduling of Examinations**

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by J. Aitken Schermer,

That effective September 1, 2013, the policy on “Scheduling of Examinations” be revised as shown in Exhibit III, item 4b.

CARRIED
S.13-152c Revisions to the Policies on Posting of Preliminary and Final Examination Timetables

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by J. Aitken Schermer,

That effective September 1, 2013, the policies on “Posting of Preliminary Examination Timetable” and “Posting of Final Examination Timetable” be revised as shown in Exhibit III, item 4c.

CARRIED

S.13-153 New Scholarship and Awards

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 scholarship and awards set out in Appendix 5.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY PLANNING [Exhibit IV]

S.13-154 Rotman Institute of Philosophy Faculty Fellowships

It was moved by B.A. Younker, seconded by M. Milde,

That Senate approve the establishment of the Rotman Institute of Philosophy Faculty Fellowships (listed below) in the Faculty of Arts and Humanities.

- Rotman Institute of Philosophy Faculty Fellowship in Physics
- Rotman Institute of Philosophy Faculty Fellowship in Cognitive Neuroscience
- Rotman Institute of Philosophy Faculty Fellowships (2)
- Rotman Institute of Philosophy Interdisciplinary Faculty Fellowship

CARRIED

S.13-155 John M. Thompson Chair in Engineering Leadership and Innovation – Amendment of Terms

Senate was informed that SCUP had approved an amendment to the terms of reference of the John M. Thompson Chair in Engineering Leadership and Innovation with the addition of the word “normally” in the Criteria as follows:

The holder of the John M. Thompson Chair in Engineering Leadership and Innovation will normally be a full-time tenured or tenure-track faculty position, jointly appointed between the Faculty of Engineering and the Richard Ivey School of Business, with the home faculty being the Richard Ivey School of Business, and with the department of appointment within Engineering determined by the Chair holder’s professional background. The Chair will be committed to academic activity and program development within leadership and innovation and will reside within the Pierre L. Morissette Institute for Entrepreneurship at the Richard Ivey School of Business.

SCUP had approved the terms of reference for the Thompson Chair earlier this year. This amendment brings the terms of the Thompson Chair into alignment with the university’s Policy on Funding of Academic Chairs, Professorships and Faculty Fellowships which provides that the academic appointment to an endowed Chair will normally be full-time with tenure, allowing the flexibility to hire into a non-tenure track position if that is deemed appropriate.

All other details related to the terms of reference remain the same.
S.13-156  **REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC COLLEAGUE** [Exhibit V]

The Report of the Academic Colleague, detailed in Exhibit VI, was received for information. Items reported on included: Differentiation and Strategic Mandate Agreements, Ontario Online Initiative, Credit Transfer, and Graduate Expansion. The most recent COU update, a 60 page document, can be obtained by contacting the University Secretariat.

In answer to a question about the Ontario Online Initiative, Dr. Okruhlik noted that there was not much new to report. The government had already understood that there was no support for a centralized model such as The Ontario Online Institute. However, it continuing to seek a unifying proposal that would bring together those willing to form a coalition through an arms-length, not for profit institution.

Dr. Okruhlik reported that COU recently launched an accessibility website:
http://www.accessiblecampus.ca that provides the latest information about accessibility at universities across the province of Ontario, noting that Western’s Gitta Kulczycki is Co-Chair of the COU group on accessibility.

S.13-157  **ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNICATIONS** [Exhibit VI]

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

**ENQUIRIES & NEW BUSINESS**

S.13-158  **Dr. Tarek Loubani Detainment by Egyptian Government** (S13-116, S13-140)

Ms. Pilo, on behalf of the Student Senators, thanked Western’s administration for their work in advocating for the release of Dr. Tarek Loubani from an Egyptian prison.

S.13-159  **Family Washrooms, Nursing Rooms and Change Stations on Campus**

A member asked about the availability of facilities for nursing mothers, family washrooms and change stations for parents of newborns. Dr. Deakin responded that she had consulted with Facilities Management and the Office of Equity & Human Rights Services about this question. Western has private space for nursing mothers in the following areas: Health Services, Women’s Issues Network, Faculty of Law and Equity and Human Rights Services. There are change tables in washrooms located in Thompson Arena and there is a Family Locker Room in the Western Student Recreation Centre. She advised that particular concerns about these matters should be referred to Equity & Human Rights Services who would work with Facilities Management or other units on campus to support an individual’s needs.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

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J. Weese       I. Birrell
Vice-Chair       Secretary