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**An Act respecting The University of Western Ontario**

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# BILL

## An Act respecting The University of Western Ontario

**W**HEREAS The University of Western Ontario by its <sup>Preamble</sup> petition has prayed for special legislation varying the provisions of its Act of Incorporation in relation to its organization, government and administration and enlarging and increasing its powers, rights and privileges; and whereas it is expedient to grant the prayer of the petition;

Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, enacts as follows:

**1.** In this Act,

<sup>Interpreta-  
tion</sup>

- (a) "Board" means The Board of Governors, The University of Western Ontario;
- (b) "college" includes a school or other institution of higher learning offering courses leading year for year to a degree;
- (c) "property" includes all property, both real and personal;
- (d) "real property" includes messuages, lands, tenements and hereditaments, whether corporeal or incorporeal, and any undivided share thereof and any estate or interest therein;
- (e) "Senate" means Senate of The University of Western Ontario;
- (f) "University" means The University of Western Ontario.

**2.** The University named "The University of Western Ontario", commonly known and referred to as "Western", <sup>University continued</sup>

its Board of Governors, Senate, Convocation, faculties and schools are and each of them is hereby continued, and, subject to this Act, shall respectively have, hold, possess and enjoy all the property, rights, powers and privileges which they respectively now have, hold, possess or enjoy.

Appoint-  
ments,  
statutes and  
regulations  
continued

**3.** All appointments in and statutes and regulations affecting the University and each of them shall continue, subject to this Act, and subject also, as to the teaching staff and all officers, servants and employees, to their removal by the Board.

Religious  
tests not  
required

**4.** The government, management and control of the University shall continue to be undenominational and no religious test shall be required of any professor, lecturer, teacher, officer, employee or servant, or of any student of the University, nor shall any religious observances according to the forms of any particular denomination or sect be imposed on them.

Proceedings  
by or against  
University

**5.** All proceedings by or against the University may be had and taken in the name of "The University of Western Ontario".

#### AFFILIATED COLLEGES

Affiliated  
colleges

**6.**—(1) Every college affiliated with the University shall continue to be so affiliated, subject to any statute in that behalf and to this Act.

Idem

(2) The following are declared to be the colleges affiliated with the University:

- (a) Alma College;
- (b) Huron College;
- (c) Music Teachers' College;
- (d) St. Peter's Seminary College of Arts;
- (e) Ursuline College;
- (f) Waterloo College.

#### GRANTS

Grants by  
City of  
London

**7.** The City of London may grant annually or from time to time to the Board for the use of the University such a sum or sums as may be agreed upon by the City and the University, and it shall not be necessary to obtain the assent

of the electors qualified to vote on money by-laws for any such grant, provided, however, that any grant in excess of Seventy-five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000) in any one year shall first receive the assent of the said electors.

8. The county council of any of the counties of Essex, Kent, Elgin, Norfolk, Lambton, Middlesex, Oxford, Brant, Huron, Bruce, Grey, Perth, Wellington and Waterloo, or the council of any municipality in such counties other than the City of London, may make grants to the Board for the use of the University, and it shall not be necessary to obtain the assent of the electors qualified to vote on money by-laws for any such grant, provided, however, that any grant in excess of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000) in any one year shall first receive the assent of the said electors.

Grants by counties

PROPERTY

9. All property heretofore or hereafter granted, conveyed, devised or bequeathed by any person, firm or corporation in trust for or for the benefit of the University or of any faculty, school or department thereof or otherwise in connection therewith, subject always to the trust affecting the same, shall be vested in the Board.

Property in trust vested in Board

10. All real property vested in the Board shall, as far as the application thereto of any statute of limitations is concerned, including any statute limiting or defining the period for the investigation of titles; be deemed to have been and to be real property vested in the Crown for the public uses of the Province of Ontario

Application of statute of limitations to property

11. The real property vested in the Board shall not be liable to be entered upon, used or taken by any corporation except a municipal corporation or by any person possessing the right of taking land compulsorily for any purpose and no power to expropriate real property hereafter conferred shall extend to such real property unless in the Act conferring the power it is made in express terms to apply thereto.

Land vested in Board not liable to expropriation

THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

12. The Board of Governors of the University is hereby constituted a body corporate by the name and style of "The Board of Governors, The University of Western Ontario".

Board body corporate

Composition  
of Board

**13.** The Board shall consist of the President and the Vice-President of the University, the Mayor of the City of London, the Warden of the County of Middlesex and the Chancellor, who shall be *ex officio* members, and fourteen members appointed or elected as follows:

- (a) The council of the City of London shall appoint four members, during such time as the City shall make to the Board the annual grant or grants as provided in section 7.
- (b) The Lieutenant-Governor in Council shall appoint four members.
- (c) The Alumni Association of the University may appoint or elect two members, in such manner and on such terms as the Board may determine.
- (d) The members appointed or elected, as the case may be, under clauses *a*, *b* and *c* shall elect four members.

Term of  
office

**14.** Unless his election or appointment shall be otherwise designated, each member shall hold office for four years, shall be eligible for re-appointment or re-election, as the case may be, and shall hold office until such time as his successor is elected or appointed.

Eligibility

**15.** No person shall be eligible for appointment or election to the Board who is not a British subject and whose customary place of residence is not within the Province of Ontario.

Head of  
affiliated  
college, etc.,  
ineligible

**16.** Except as otherwise provided in this Act, no principal or head of any of the academic units of the University or of any affiliated college or any member of the teaching or administrative staff of the University or of any affiliated college or any member of the staff, Board or governing body of any other degree-granting institution shall be eligible for appointment or election as a member of the Board.

Membership  
vacated

**17.—(1)** If a member of the Board during his term of office accepts or occupies any of the offices or positions mentioned in section 16 or ceases to have his customary place of residence within Ontario or becomes mentally incapacitated or otherwise incapable of acting as a member, he shall *ipso facto* vacate his office and it shall be the duty of the Board by resolution to declare his membership vacant.

(2) If within any fiscal year of the University a member of the Board not having been granted leave of absence by the Board attends less than 50 per cent of the regular meetings of the Board, the Board may by resolution declare his membership vacant.

(3) If within any fiscal year of the University a member of the Board not having been granted leave of absence by the Board attends less than 25 per cent of the meetings of the Board, he shall *ipso facto* vacate his office and it shall be the duty of the Board by resolution to declare his membership vacant.

(4) A resolution passed under this section entered in the minutes of the Board shall be conclusive evidence of the vacancy declared therein.

**18.** Where a vacancy on the Board occurs before the term of office for which a member has been appointed or elected has expired, the vacancy shall be filled in the same manner and by the same authority as the member whose membership is vacant was appointed or elected, as the case may be, and the member so appointed or elected shall hold office for the remainder of the term of office of the member whose membership is vacant.

**19.**—(1) The Board shall elect one of its members to be chairman and one of its members to be vice-chairman, and in the case of the absence or illness of the chairman or of there being a vacancy in the office of chairman, the vice-chairman shall act as and have all the powers of the chairman.

(2) In case of the absence or illness of the chairman and of the vice-chairman, the Board may appoint one of its members to act as chairman *pro tempore* and the member so appointed shall act as and have all the powers of the chairman.

**20.** Six members, not including *ex officio* members, shall constitute a quorum of the Board.

**21.** Notwithstanding any vacancy, so long as there are at least ten members, not including *ex officio* members, the Board may exercise all or any of its powers.

**22.** Except in such matters as are assigned by this Act to the Senate, the government, conduct, management and control of the University and of its property, revenues, business and affairs thereof shall be vested in the Board.

**23.** The Board shall have power to make regulations,

(a) pertaining to the meetings of the Board and its transactions;

- (b) providing for the appointment of committees and for the conferring upon any such committees of authority to act for the Board with respect to any matter, but no decision of a committee which includes in its membership persons who are not members of the Board shall be valid or effective until approved and ratified by the Board, unless the Board so provides.

Powers of  
Board

**24.** Without limiting the general powers of the Board, the Board shall have the power to,

- (a) appoint the President and Vice-Chancellor of the University, the Vice-President of the University, the Principal of University College, the deans of all faculties, the heads of all academic units within the University, the Comptroller of the University, the Bursar of the University, the Librarian of the University, the Registrar of the University, the professors and all other members of the teaching staff of the University, and all such officers, clerks and other employees as the Board may think necessary for the purposes of the University, and fix their salaries or remuneration and their tenure of office or employment, which, unless otherwise provided, shall be during the pleasure of the Board and determine their functions, duties, powers and responsibilities;
- (b) provide for the retirement and superannuation of the persons mentioned in clause *a*;
- (c) provide for payments by way of gratuities, retiring allowances, superannuation allowances, pensions, annuities, or life insurance or any combination thereof payable to, in respect of, or for the benefit of the persons mentioned in clause *a* or any class or classes thereof out of a fund or funds comprising contributions made by such persons or any class or classes thereof, or by the Board, or both, or otherwise;
- (d) expend such sums as may be required for the purposes of funds which are established for the payment of gratuities, retirement allowances, pensions, life insurance or health insurance for the benefit of the persons mentioned in clause *a*;
- (e) appoint by resolution a member or members of the Board or any other person or persons to execute on behalf of the Board either documents and other

instruments in writing generally or specific documents and other instruments in writing and to affix the corporate seal of the Board thereto;

- (f) establish such faculties, schools, departments, chairs and courses of instruction in any subject except theology in the University or elsewhere as the Board may determine, but the curricula of all courses of instruction shall be the responsibility of the Senate;
- (g) enter into agreements for the founding, establishment or maintenance of chairs, scholarships, fellowships, prizes, bursaries and other awards;
- (h) provide for the affiliation with the University of any college in Ontario established for teaching divinity, arts, science, law, medicine, music, engineering, agriculture, or any other useful branch of learning, on such terms as the Board may determine, and enter into any agreement which may be deemed necessary to effectuate such affiliation, provided, however, that such college shall be one offering courses leading year for year to a degree, and in order to preserve the undenominational nature of the University no more than two colleges of the same denominational control shall be affiliated with the University at the same time, and no college affiliated with the University shall be affiliated with or have affiliated with it any other college, school or institute of higher learning without specific permission in writing by the Board;
- (i) provide for the dissolution of any such affiliation or of any existing affiliations or for the modification or alteration of the terms thereof;
- (j) provide for the management, government and control of the residences and dining halls operated and maintained by the University;
- (k) fix the fees to be paid for instruction in all faculties, schools, departments and courses now in existence or hereafter established and under the control of the University, for all ancillary activities and the fees for examinations, degrees, diplomas and certificates;
- (l) provide such means for health service and health examination, instruction and training in physical education for the students of the University as the Board may see fit;

- (m) sell any of the real property vested in the Board, or lease the same for any period of years with such right of renewal and under and subject to such rents, covenants, agreements and conditions as the Board may see fit;
- (n) dedicate real property vested in the Board for public highways or other public purposes, on such terms and conditions as the Board may see fit;
- (o) expend such sums as the Board may deem necessary for the support and maintenance of the University and for the betterment of existing buildings and the erection of such new buildings as the Board may deem necessary for the use or purposes of the University and for the furnishing and equipment of such existing and newly erected buildings;
- (p) expend such sums as the Board may deem necessary for the purchase, erection, equipment, furnishing and maintenance of residences and dining halls for the use of the students of the University, whether such students are undergraduates or graduates;
- (q) subject to the limitations imposed by any trust, invest all such money as shall come to the University in such manner as the Board may see fit;
- (r) purchase, assume and hold by gift or devise real property for the purpose of the University without licence in mortmain;
- (s) purchase and acquire all such property as the Board may deem necessary for the purposes of the University, and such power shall include that of purchasing the interest of a lessee in any real property vested in the Board which is under lease;
- (t) without the consent of the owner or of any person interested therein, enter upon, take, use, and appropriate all such real property as the Board may deem necessary for the purposes of the University, making due compensation for any such real property to the owners and occupiers thereof, and all persons having any interest therein, and the provisions of *The Municipal Act* as to taking land compulsorily and making compensation therefor and as to the manner of determining and paying the compensation shall *mutatis mutandis* apply to the Board and to the exercise by it of the powers conferred by this clause, and where any act is by any of such provisions

required to be done by the clerk of a municipality or at the office of such clerk the like act shall be done by or at the office of the comptroller, or by or at the office of such officer of the University exercising the office of a comptroller, as the case may be;

- (u) acquire, hold, maintain and keep in proper order and condition such real property as the Board may deem necessary for the use of the students of the University for athletic purposes and erect and maintain such buildings and structures thereon as it may deem necessary;
- (v) borrow from time to time from any bank or elsewhere on such terms as may be agreed on such sums of money as may be required for the purposes of the University;
- (w) purchase or otherwise acquire any invention or any interest therein, or any rights in respect thereof, or any secret or other information as to any invention and apply for, purchase or otherwise acquire any patents, interests in patents, licences and the like conferring any exclusive or non-exclusive or limited right to make or use or sell any invention or inventions and use, exercise and develop, dispose of, assign or grant licences in respect of or otherwise turn to account property rights or information so acquired and generally to possess, exercise and enjoy all the rights, powers and privileges which the owner of any invention or any rights in respect thereof, or the owner of a patent or invention or any rights thereunder may possess, exercise and enjoy;
- (x) apply for, purchase or otherwise acquire any trademarks or trade names or any similar right or any interest therein and use, dispose of, assign or otherwise turn to account the trademarks, trade names and interest so acquired and generally possess, exercise and enjoy all the rights, powers and privileges which the owner of a trademark or trade name or the like may possess, exercise and enjoy;
- (y) apply for, purchase or otherwise acquire any copyright or similar right or any interest therein, or right thereunder, and use, exercise, develop, dispose of, assign or grant licences in respect of, or otherwise turn to account any copyright or similar right or any interest or right so acquired and generally possess, exercise and enjoy all the rights, powers and privileges which the owner of a copyright or

similar right, or any interest therein or right thereunder, may possess, exercise and enjoy.

Alterations  
to consti-  
tution

**25.** The Board may modify, alter and change the constitution of any body or committee constituted or continued by this Act except the Senate, and may create such new bodies or committees as may be deemed necessary for the purpose of carrying out the objects and provisions of this Act and may confer upon the bodies or committees constituted or continued by this Act, or any of them, and on any new body or committee hereafter constituted such powers as the Board may see fit, but nothing herein shall authorize any abridgement or change in the powers conferred on the Senate by this Act.

Authentica-  
tion of  
by-laws,  
etc.

**26.** Except as otherwise provided in this Act, the action of the Board in any matter with which it may deal shall be by resolution or by by-law as the Board may determine, but it shall not be essential to the validity of any such resolution or by-law that it be under the corporate seal of the Board if it is authenticated in the manner prescribed by the Board.

Audit of  
accounts

**27.—**(1) The accounts of the Board shall be audited at least once a year by an auditor or auditors appointed by the Board.

Annual  
report

(2) The Board shall make an annual financial report to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council in such form as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may require.

Actions  
against  
Board

**28.** Without the written consent of the Attorney-General, no action shall be brought against the Board or against any member of it on account of anything done or omitted by him in the execution of his office.

Question as  
to powers  
and duties  
settled by  
Board

**29.** If any question arises as to the powers or duties of the President and Vice-Chancellor, Vice-President, Comptroller, Registrar, Librarian, Principal of University College or of any other dean or head of any academic unit, or of any officer or employee of the University, it shall be settled and determined by the Board, whose decision shall be final.

Residual  
powers of  
Board

**30.** All the powers over, in respect of, or in relation to the University, its properties, employees, personnel and students which are not by the terms of this Act directed to be exercised by any other person or body of persons are hereby subject to the provisions of this Act vested in the Board.

## SENATE

**31.**—(1) There shall be a Senate of the University composed as follows: <sup>Senate, how</sup> <sub>composed</sub>

(a) The following shall be *ex-officio* members:

- (i) the Chancellor,
- (ii) the Vice-Chancellor,
- (iii) the Vice-President of the University,
- (iv) the Principal of University College,
- (v) the Principal or other head of each affiliated college,
- (vi) the dean of each faculty or school of the University,
- (vii) the Librarian,
- (viii) the President of the General Alumni Association, provided that his ordinary place of residence is within the County of Middlesex, and if not, then a member of the General Alumni Association whose ordinary place of residence is within the County of Middlesex appointed in writing by such President,
- (ix) the Chairman of the Board,
- (x) the Registrar, who shall be secretary of the Senate,
- (xi) the Director of the Summer School and Extension Department,
- (xii) the Director of the French Summer School.

(b) The faculties and schools of the University shall have the following representation and the representatives shall be appointed by their respective faculty councils, unless otherwise provided by the Senate, but one member shall be the principal, dean or other head of such faculty or school:

- (i) the Faculty of University College—four members,

- (ii) the Faculty of Medicine—three members,
  - (iii) the Faculty of Graduate Studies—two members,
  - (iv) the School of Nursing—two members,
  - (v) the School of Business Administration—two members,
  - (vi) any other faculty or school which may hereafter be established within the University and which offers courses leading to a degree—a minimum of two members but not exceeding three members, as determined by the Senate.
- (c) The affiliated colleges shall have the following representation and the representatives shall be appointed by their respective governing bodies but one member shall be the principal or other head of the affiliated college:
- (i) Alma College—one member,
  - (ii) Huron College—two members,
  - (iii) Music Teachers' College—one member,
  - (iv) St. Peter's Seminary College of Arts—two members,
  - (v) Ursuline College—two members,
  - (vi) Waterloo College—two members,
  - (vii) any other college or school which may hereafter become affiliated—one member, provided, however, that if such affiliated college or school prescribes and administers courses approved by the Senate leading to the Bachelor of Arts degree, then such college or school may be represented by a maximum of two members as determined by the Senate.
- (d) The Board shall be represented by the Chairman of the Board as an *ex officio* member and one further member appointed by the Board.
- (e) The City of London may be represented by six members of whom three shall be appointed by the council of the city, two shall be appointed by the

Board of Education of the City, and one shall be appointed by the Separate School Board of the City.

- (f) One member may be appointed by the council of each of the counties named in section 8, and by the council of each city in such counties, other than the council of the City of London.
- (g) The principals of the continuation schools, high schools, collegiate institutes and vocational high schools or institutes in the counties named in section 8 may elect four members from their own number.
- (h) Each of the following groups of graduates may appoint or elect, in such manner and on such terms as the Senate shall determine, the following members:
  - (i) the General Alumni Association of the University may appoint or elect ten members (not including the President of the General Alumni Association) in such manner and on such terms as the Senate may determine,
  - (ii) the graduates in Arts and Science who at the time of graduation were enrolled in Huron College, Music Teachers' College, St. Peter's Seminary College of Arts, Ursuline College, Waterloo College or any other college which may hereafter be affiliated and approved by the Senate to conduct courses leading to a degree in Arts and Science may elect one member each from the graduates of each of such affiliated colleges.

(2) The Vice-Chancellor of the University shall be chairman <sup>Chairman</sup> of the Senate and the Vice-President of the University shall <sup>and vice-</sup> be vice-chairman <sup>chairman</sup> of the Senate.

**32.** The members of the Senate shall hold office for a term <sup>Term of</sup> of three years and shall be eligible for re-appointment or <sup>office</sup> re-election as the case may be.

**33.** Members of the teaching or administrative staff of the <sup>Eligibility</sup> University shall not be eligible for election by any of the <sup>of staff of</sup> graduate bodies. <sup>University</sup>

**34.** Members of the teaching or administrative staff of an <sup>Eligibility</sup> affiliated college shall not be eligible for election by any of <sup>of staff of</sup> the graduate bodies. <sup>affiliated</sup> college <sup>college</sup>

**Eligibility of member of governing body of another university** **35.** No person shall be eligible for election or appointment as a member of the Senate who is a member of a governing body or senate or faculty of any other degree-granting university, college or other institution of higher learning.

**Vacancies in Senate** **36.** If an elected or appointed member of the Senate resigns, becomes mentally incapacitated or otherwise incapable of acting or becomes a member of the teaching or administrative staff of any of the bodies mentioned in section 31, not being the body which he has been appointed to represent, or accepts membership in any of the bodies mentioned in section 31, not being the body which he has been appointed to represent, he shall *ipso facto* vacate his office, and a declaration of the existence of any vacancy entered on the minutes of the Senate shall be conclusive evidence thereof.

**Filling vacancies** **37.** Where a vacancy on the Senate occurs before the term of office for which a member has been appointed or elected has expired, the vacancy shall be filled in the same manner and by the same authority as the member whose membership is vacant was appointed or elected, as the case may be, and the member so appointed or elected shall hold office for the remainder of the term of office of the member whose membership is vacant.

**Disputes as to election** **38.** The Senate shall have the sole right to determine any question concerning the election of any elected member of the Senate or the right of any person to be or sit or act as a member of the Senate, and the decision of the Senate in any such matter shall be final.

**Powers and duties of Senate** **39.**—(1) The Senate,

- (a) shall be responsible for the educational policy of the University;
- (b) may make recommendations to the Board relative to the creation of faculties, schools, departments or chairs within the University;
- (c) may recommend to the Board the establishment of courses of instruction, including extension courses, in the University and elsewhere;
- (d) may confer degrees, diplomas and certificates in any subject taught in the University or in theology as taught in any of the affiliated colleges;
- (e) may confer honorary degrees in any department of learning;

(f) may create faculty councils or committees and committees generally to exercise any of its powers;

(g) may enact statutes regulating the matters in this section referred to.

(2) The Senate shall confer honorary degrees in divinity <sup>Honorary</sup> without fees upon the recommendation of any theological <sup>divinity</sup> college affiliated with the University. <sup>degrees</sup>

**40.** In addition to such others as are expressly mentioned <sup>Additional</sup> in this Act, the powers and duties of the Senate shall be to, <sup>powers and</sup> <sup>duties of</sup> <sup>Senate</sup>

(a) provide for the regulation and conduct of its proceedings including the determination of a quorum necessary for the transaction of business;

(b) provide for the convening and conduct of such Convocations as may be requisite for the purposes set out in section 39;

(c) recommend to the Board,

(i) the affiliation of any college established in Ontario for teaching divinity, arts, science, law, medicine, music, engineering, agriculture or any other useful branch of learning; provided, however, that in order to preserve the undenominational nature of the University no more than two colleges of the same denominational control shall be affiliated with the University at the same time, and no college affiliated with the University shall be affiliated with or have affiliated with it any other college, school or institute of higher learning without specific permission in writing by the Board; and further provided that no college shall be affiliated which is not offering courses leading year for year to a degree, and

(ii) the dissolution or suspension of any such affiliation, or the modification or alteration of the terms thereof;

(d) consider and determine on the recommendations of the respective faculty and school councils the courses of study in all faculties and schools;

(e) consider and determine on the recommendations of the respective faculty and school councils the conduct and results of the examinations in all faculties and schools;

- (f) hear and determine appeals from the decisions of the faculty and school councils on applications and examinations by students;
- (g) provide for the representation on the Senate of any faculty or school hereafter established in the University and of the graduates in such faculty or school, if in the opinion of the Senate provision should be made for separate representation of such graduates;
- (h) provide, if deemed necessary by the Senate, for an executive committee which shall act in the name and on behalf of the Senate between regular meetings of the Senate, whose constitution and powers shall be as the Senate may from time to time determine.

## CHANCELLOR

Chancellor,  
election of

**41.**—(1) There shall be a Chancellor of the University who shall be elected by an electoral board consisting of,

- (a) all members, except *ex officio* members, of the Board; and
- (b) representatives of the Senate equal in number to the members of the Board entitled to be members of the electoral board, such representatives to include as *ex officio* members the Vice-Chancellor, Vice-President and Registrar and the remainder to be chosen by the Senate from among its members in such manner as it may determine,

and eight members of the electoral board including the Vice-Chancellor, Vice-President and Registrar shall constitute a quorum.

Who eligible

(2) No person shall occupy the office of Chancellor unless he is a British subject and his customary place of residence is within the Province of Ontario.

Who  
ineligible

(3) No person shall occupy the office of Chancellor who is a member of the teaching staff or of the administrative staff, or who is an employee of the University or of any affiliated college, or who is a member of the Board of the University or of the governing body of any affiliated college.

Term of  
office

**42.**—(1) The term of office of the Chancellor shall be for six years commencing with the 1st day of July of the year in which the appointment is made, and no Chancellor shall be eligible for re-election.

(2) If a vacancy in the office of Chancellor occurs from any cause, the vacancy shall be filled by the appointment of a successor in the manner set out in section 41, and the successor shall hold office for six years terminating on the 30th day of June in the sixth year after his appointment, and no such successor shall be eligible for re-election.

(3) If the Chancellor ceases to be eligible for such office or becomes mentally incapacitated, or otherwise incapable of acting, he shall *ipso facto* vacate his office and a declaration of the existence of such vacancy by the Senate and the Board entered in the minutes of the Board and of the Senate shall be conclusive evidence thereof.

**43.** The Chancellor shall preside at all convocations and by virtue of the authority vested in him by the Senate shall admit to degrees, diplomas and certificates such candidates, including the recipients of honorary degrees, as may be requested by the Senate.

#### VICE-CHANCELLOR

**44.**—(1) There shall be a Vice-Chancellor of the University who shall be the President of the University.

(2) In the absence of the Chancellor or there being a vacancy in the office, the Vice-Chancellor or a member of the Faculty of the University appointed by him shall act as Chancellor at Convocation.

(3) In the absence of both Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor or if both offices are vacant, the Chancellor's duties shall be performed by a member of the Faculty of the University appointed by the Senate for the purpose.

#### OFFICIAL VISITOR

**45.** His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Ontario shall be the Official Visitor of the University.

#### GENERAL

**46.** Sections 1 and 3 of *An Act to incorporate The Western University of London, Ontario*, being chapter 70 of the Statutes of Ontario, 1878, sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of *An Act respecting the Western University and College*, being chapter 140 of the Statutes of Ontario, 1906, and *The University of Western Ontario Act, 1923* are repealed.

**47.** This Act comes into force on the day it receives Royal Assent.

**48.** This Act may be cited as *The University of Western Ontario Act, 1955*.

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