# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

January 31, 2013

The meeting was held at 1:00 p.m. in Room 4155, Stevenson Hall.

PRESENT: Mr. S. Coxford, Chair
Ms. I. Birrell, Secretary

Mr. J. Adams
Dr. C. Beynon
Dr. A. Chakma
Dr. R. Darnell
Dr. J. Deakin
Mr. M. Dietrich
Mr. J. Fontana
Ms. L. Gainey
Mr. K. Goldthorp
Ms. L. Gribbon
Ms. S. Grindrod
Mr. H. Hassan
Mr. P. Jenkins
Mr. J. Knowles
Ms. G. Kulczycki
Mr. C. Lassonde
Mr. C. Shah
Dr. S. Sims
Mr. A. Syed
Ms. J. Vanderheyden
Dr. J. White
Mr. M. Wilson

By Invitation: H. Connell, R. Langille, L. Logan, M. Ruddock

BG.13-01 **REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT**

The President's Report included the following: government update, leadership update, strategic plan renewal, enrollment and the Premier's trade mission to China. Details are found in his report distributed with the agenda.

BG.13-02 **UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGENDA** [Appendix I]

It was moved by J. Knowles, seconded by S. Shah,

> That the thirteen items listed in Appendix I be approved and/or received for information by the Board of Governors by unanimous consent.
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> CARRIED

BG.13-03 **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the meeting of November 22, 2012 were approved as circulated.

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

BG.13-04 **Information Items Reported by the Property and Finance Committee**

The Report of the Property and Finance Committee, detailed in Appendix II, contained the following items that were received for information by unanimous consent:

- Scholarships and Awards

- Quarterly Financial Report
- Ancillary Financial Report
- Investment Committee Report
- Annual Report on Trademark Licensees Doing Business with the Bookstore
- Investment Committee – Membership Appointment

**REPORT OF THE BYLAWS COMMITTEE** [Appendix III]

BG.13-05 Audit Committee Terms of Reference - Amendment

It was moved by J. Knowles, seconded by C. Shah,

That the Audit Committee terms of reference be amended in section q. as follows:

Risk Management

q. receive regular reports from management on areas of significant risk to the University, for example but not limited to, legal claims, environmental issues, health, safety, information security, and other regulatory matters.

CARRIED (By Unanimous Consent)

**REPORT OF THE FUND RAISING AND DONOR RELATIONS COMMITTEE** [Appendix IV]

BG.13-06 Information Items Reported by the Fund Raising and Donor Relations Committee

The Report of the Fund Raising and Donor Relations Committee, detailed in Appendix IV, contained the following item that was received for information by unanimous consent:

- Quarterly Fund Raising Report

**REPORT OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE** [Appendix V]

BG.13-07 Domestic Violence – Coroner's Report and Western's Practices

Ms. S. Grindrod, Associate Vice-President (Housing and Ancillary Services) presented the Report of the COU Domestic Violence Committee, on which she, Gitta Kulczycki and Helen Connell served, highlighting actions taken by Western in response to the report's recommendations. Western will continue to develop initiatives to support and educate students on this issue.

**ITEMS REFERRED BY SENATE** [Appendix VI]

BG.13-08 School for Advanced Studies in the Arts and Humanities

It was moved by A. Chakma, seconded by R. Darnell,

That the establishment of the new School for Advanced Studies in the Arts and Humanities, in the Faculty of Arts and Humanities be approved.

CARRIED

BG.13-09 School of Graduate & Postdoctoral Studies: Introduction of a Graduate Diploma in Professional Education (GDip Professional Education), Master of Professional Education (MPEd) and Doctor of Education (EdD)

It was moved by A. Chakma, seconded by L. Gainey,

> That, pending Quality Council approval, a Graduate Diploma in Professional Education (GDip Professional Education), a Master of Professional Education (MPEd) and a Doctor of Education (EdD) be introduced in the School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, as set out in Appendix VI, Annex 6, effective January 1, 2013.
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> CARRIED

BG.13-10 Information Items Reported by Senate

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

- Fall 2013 Entrance Standards for Undergraduate First-Year Admissions
- Report on Faculty Recruitment and Retention
- Report of the Academic Colleague
- Academic Administrative Appointments

**QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS**

BG.13-11 On-line Learning

In response to a request that the Board receive a report on on-line learning, Dr. Deakin noted that a report from a Task Force on e-Learning is forthcoming and a conference scheduled at Western in March will explore on-line learning programs. Dr. Deakin agreed that she will bring a report to the Board at a future date once the task force had completed its work.

BG.13-12 World Figure Skating Competition

Major Fontana said that the World Figure Skating Championship being held in London in March 2013 would provide a unique opportunity to showcase the city and its institutions, including Western. He commended Dr. Chakma and Associate Vice-President Helen Connell for their assistance with the common branding for this event.

BG.13-13 **Farewell – K. Goldthorp**

On behalf of the Board, the Chair acknowledged the efforts and contributions made by Mr. Kevin Goldthorp, Vice-President (External) on the university's behalf. Mr. Goldthorp will be leaving the university to take up a position at Mount Sinai Hospital in Toronto.

The meeting adjourned to the confidential session.

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| S. Coxford<br>Chair | I. Birrell<br>Secretary |