

# The UNIVERSITY of WESTERN ONTARIO

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SENATE

# June 24, 2005

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

SENATORS: 68

| S. Adams         | C. Farber           | S. Munshi      |
|------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| T. Adams         | J. Garnett          | J. Nash        |
| M-A. Andrusyszyn | T. Garrard          | A. Pearson     |
| M. Bartlett      | J. Green            | A. Pitman      |
| I. Baruss        | R. Haines           | R. Robertson   |
| L. Bowman        | R. Harris           | R. Secco       |
| M. Broadfoot     | S. Hatibovic-Kofman | A. Sells       |
| C. Brown         | N. Heapy            | R. Semmens     |
| E. Cairns        | T. Hewitt           | S. Singh       |
| S. Camiletti     | C. Jones            | J. Tennant     |
| M. Carroll       | G. Killan           | B. Timney      |
| A. Chant         | P. Klein            | J. Toswell     |
| S. Clark         | D. Kneale           | S. Usprich     |
| N. Crowther      | G. Kulczycki        | J. Van Fleet   |
| K. Danylchuk     | D. Laird            | T. Vandervoort |
| P. Davenport     | R. Lumpkin          | S. Watt        |
| P. Dean          | S. Majhanovich      | J. Weese       |
| B. Diemert       | K. McRae            | J. White       |
| F. Dolan         | P. Meilleur         | M. Wilson      |
| N. Ecclestone    | M. Milde            | B. Wood        |
| C. Essex         | L. Miller           | B. Zener       |
| A. Esterhammer   | G. Moran            | J. Zhu         |
| J. Etherington   | S. Mulligan         |                |

Observers: P. Dalton, R. Dunn, L. Gribbon, A. Weedon

By Invitation: J. Doerksen, D. Jones, J. Silcox, G. Stirling

## S.05-96 **Farewell to Senators**

Dr. Davenport, on behalf of Senate, thanked the retiring members of Senate for their time and contributions, and in particular thanked Dr. Greg Moran, whose term as Provost and Vice-President (Academic) ends June 30, 2005, and Ms. Jan Van Fleet, Secretary of Senate, who retires from the University on July 1, 2005.

## S.05-97 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Senate received corrected pages 4 and 5 of the minutes of May 20, 2005, regarding S.05-71, Strategic Planning Task Force. In addition, S.05-71b should be revised [shown in italics] to read: It was moved by *S. Mulligan*, seconded by M. Witen,

The Secretary read the following amendments [shown in italics] to S.05-95, Honorary Degrees Committee - Governance and Confidentiality:

Page 15: second bullet, second sentence: One person cancelled a bequest of \$2 million *as the newspapers have reported*.

Page 16: fourth paragraph: Dr. Davenport stated *that with the exception of the member who resigned*, not one member of the Honorary Degrees Committee has complained to him about the procedures that were followed.

The minutes of the meeting of May 20, 2005, including the revised pages and amendments noted above, were approved.

## S.05-98 **<u>REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT</u>**

The President provided an update on the University Budget and gave a report on Spring Convocation 2005, Congress 2005 and the CAUBO Conference. Overhead slides used to highlight the presentation are attached as **Appendix 1**.

## **OPERATIONS/AGENDA COMMITTEE** [Exhibit I]

## S.05-99 Senate Membership

S.05-99a Faculty Constituencies:

It was moved by A. Pearson, seconded by J. White,

That the Senate seat held by Charles Jones, elected representative for the Faculty of Graduate Studies: Social Sciences constituency, be declared vacant as a result of his resignation, and

That Dan Shrubsole (Geography) be elected to replace him (term: July 1 to October 31, 2005).

That the Senate seat held by Karen Danylchuk, elected representative of the Faculty of Health Sciences constituency, be declared vacant as a result of her resignation, and

That Don Morrow (Kinesiology) be elected to replace her (term: July 1 to October 31, 2005).

That the Senate seat held by Rick Secco, elected representative for the Faculty of Science constituency, be declared vacant as a result of his resignation, and

That Peter Simpson (Physics & Astronomy) be elected to replace him (term: July 1 to October 31, 2005).

CARRIED

## S.05-99b <u>Undergraduate Student Constituencies</u>:

It was moved by A. Pearson, seconded by M. Milde,

That the Senate seat held by Richard Dix, elected representative in the undergraduate student Arts and Humanities and Music constituency, be declared vacant as a result of his resignation, and,

That Kyle Donovan (Honors French III) be elected to complete Mr. Dix's term (to October 31, 2005).

## CARRIED

## S.05-100 Confidentiality of Senate Committees

At its May meeting, Senate directed that the Operations/Agenda Committee (OAC) review Senate's Confidentiality By-Law in light of the report of a breach of confidentiality by one or more members of the Senate Honorary Degrees Committee who allegedly spoke to the Board Chair concerning the meeting at which Dr. Henry Morgentaler was selected to receive an honorary degree. Dean Pearson provided an overview of OAC's review, detailed in Exhibit I, information item 1.

Professor White reported that the Honorary Degrees Committee issued an open letter to the Board of Governors and the University community, a copy of which is attached as **Appendix 2** to these minutes. The letter addressed three points: that the procedures employed to select honorary degree recipients for Spring 2005 were appropriate, fair, and consistent with past practice, that the decision making was undertaken in an open and collegial manner and that the President, as Chair of the Committee, behaved fairly and honorably.

Asked why the letter did not include Mr. Bhui's name in the list of signatories, Professor White explained that Mr. Bhui responded to the initial email after the deadline for the inclusion of members' names; however, he did support the statements contained in the letter.

Professor Carroll asked if the Operations/Agenda Committee attempted to identify and contact the member of the Honorary Degrees Committee who breached confidentiality. Dean Pearson explained that in reviewing the documents, i.e., the Confidentiality By-law of Senate, the discussion at Senate, as well as the Report from the Honorary Degrees Committee, OAC is of the view that no current member of the Honorary Degrees Committee acted out of fashion. The Confidentiality By-law suggests that if there is a breach, the penalty can be given only to current members of committees. The letter from Board Chair Don McDougall to the community advised that he talked to a past President and past members of the Honorary Degrees Committee. OAC believed that nothing could be gained by pursuing the current members of the Honorary Degrees Committee in light of their public statement. OAC requested that the University Secretariat provide an annual reminder of the confidentiality requirements for Senate committees to the chairs of all Senate committees and to Senators. Committee chairs are to inform the members of these requirements at the first meeting in the year of each committee. OAC also suggested that an appeal process be employed should committee members have concerns about the operation of a committee. Specifically, first contact the committee chair and if a resolution is not achieved, contact the chair of the Operations/Agenda Committee.

## S.05-102 Candidates for Degrees and Diplomas - Spring Convocation 2005

Senate was informed that the Provost, on behalf of the Senate (S.96-124), approved the list of Candidates for degrees and diplomas to be awarded at Spring Convocation 2005, as recommended by the Registrar. The list of candidates is appended to the Official Minutes of this Senate Meeting.

## S.05-103 Order of Convocation for Fall 2005

Senate received for information the Order of Convocation for Fall 2005:

#### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27 - 3:30 P.M.

Faculty of Graduate Studies\* Don Wright Faculty of Music Faculty of Education Faculty of Engineering Faculty of Health Sciences Faculty of Law Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry Don Wright Faculty of Music Richard Ivey School of Business \* = students in programs hosted by the Faculties of Education, Engineering, Health Sciences, Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry, Don Wright Faculty of Music, and the Richard Ivey School of Business

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28 - 10:00 A.M.

Faculty of Graduate Studies\* Faculty of Arts and Humanities Faculty of Science Brescia University College Huron University College King's University College

\* = students in programs hosted by the Faculties of Arts and Humanities and Science

## FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28 - 3:30 P.M.

Faculty of Graduate Studies\* Faculty of Information and Media Studies Faculty of Social Science

\* = students in programs hosted by the Faculties of Information and Media Studies and Social Science

## NOMINATING COMMITTEE [Exhibit II]

#### S.05-104 Strategic Planning Task Force

The following were elected to the Strategic Planning Task Force: A Clark, E. Paulson, S. Brennan, C. Ellis, B. Fenton, J. Garnett, and J. McMullin.

#### S.05-105 Distinguished University Professor Selection Committee

D. Kneale and B. Singh were elected to the Distinguished University Professor Selection Committee for two- year terms (to June 30, 2007).

#### S.05-106 Faculty Scholar Selection Committee

M. Kellow and C. McWilliam were elected to the Faculty Scholar Selection Committee for two-year terms (to June 30, 2007).

## S.05-107 <u>University Planning (SCUP)</u>

The following were elected to SCUP: M. Bartlett, R. Robertson, M. Broadfoot (terms July 1, 2005 - June 30, 2008), M-A Andrusyszyn (term July 1, 2005 - June 30, 2006), and Y. Babunko (term July 1, 2005 - June 30, 2006).

## S.05-108 University Research Board (URB)

The following were elected to URB: D.M.R. Bentley, J-L Suárez (terms July 1, 2005 - June 30, 2008), and N. Spence (term July 1, 2005 - June 30, 2006).

#### S.05-109 Subcommittee on Research Ethics Policy (SUREP)

R. Hinson and B. Hoffmaster were elected to SUREP (terms to June 30, 2007).

#### S.05-110 University Council on Animal Care (UCAC)

G. Kidder was elected to UCAC (term to June 30, 2006).

## S.05-111 Faculty of Health Sciences School of Kinesiology Advisory Committee on Sports and Recreation Services

N. Crowther (term to August 31, 2007) and A. Johnson (term from July 1, 2005 - June 30, 2007) were elected to the Faculty of Health Sciences School of Kinesiology Advisory Committee on Sports and Recreation Services.

## S.05-112 <u>Council of the Faculty of Information and Media Studies: Senate Representative from the</u> <u>General Community</u>

J. Etherington was elected to serve on the FIMS Council (term July 1, 2005 - June 30, 2007).

## S.05-113 **Operations/Agenda Committee** (OAC)

M. Milde was elected to OAC (term to November 2005).

## ACADEMIC POLICY AND AWARDS [Exhibit III]

## S.05-114 Faculty of Graduate Studies Programs: MEng in Nuclear Engineering; MA in Theology; MA and PhD in Hispanic Studies

S.05-114a Master of Engineering (MEng) Program in Nuclear Engineering

On behalf of SCAPA, it was moved by J. Tennant, seconded by M. Bartlett,

That effective September 1, 2005, the Master of Engineering (MEng) program in Nuclear Engineering, detailed in Exhibit III, item 1a, be introduced by the Faculty of Graduate Studies and offered collectively by the Department of Engineering Physics, McMaster University; Department of Civil Engineering, University of Waterloo; and Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, The University of Western Ontario.

#### CARRIED

## S.05-114b <u>Master of Arts in Theology Program</u>

It was moved by J. Tennant, seconded by L. Bowman,

That, pending approval by the Ontario Council of Graduate Studies (OCGS), a Master of Arts in Theology, housed in Huron University College, be introduced, effective September 1, 2005.

CARRIED

#### S.05-114c MA and PhD Programs in Hispanic Studies

It was moved by J. Tennant, seconded by A. Esterhammer,

That pending approval by the Ontario Council of Graduate Studies (OCGS):

a) the name of the current Master of Arts program in Spanish be changed to a Master of Arts in Hispanic Studies, effective September 1, 2005; and

students currently enrolled in the program be permitted to graduate with the Hispanic Studies degree designation, effective June 2006.

b) a Doctor of Philosophy program in Hispanic Studies be introduced, effective September 1, 2005.

## CARRIED

# S.05-115 Faculty of Education: Degree Completion Requirements for Technological Education Teachers

It was moved by J. Tennant, seconded by A. Pearson,

That effective September 1, 2005, the Degree Completion Requirements for Technological Education Teachers, detailed in Exhibit III, item 2, be introduced.

CARRIED

## S.05-116 Huron University College: Scholar's Electives Program and Minor in French

## S.05-116a Scholar's Electives Program

It was moved by J. Tennant, seconded by N. Heapy,

That effective September 1, 2005, a 3.0 course Scholar's Electives module, detailed in Exhibit III, item 3a, be introduced at Huron University College.

## CARRIED

## S.05-116b Minor in French

It was moved by J. Tennant, seconded by M. Wilson,

That effective September 1, 2005, the Minor in French, detailed in Exhibit III, item 3b, be introduced at Huron University College.

CARRIED

## S.05-117 Eligibility for Honors Designations in the MBA Program and the LLB/MBA Program

## S.05-117a Eligibility for MBA Honors Designations

It was moved by J. Tennant, seconded by R. Robertson,

That the policy on Eligibility for Honors Designations, detailed in Exhibit III, item 4a, be approved for students in the Master of Business Administration (MBA) program.

#### CARRIED

#### S.05-117b Eligibility for Honors Designations in the Combined LLB/MBA Program

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

That the policy on Honors to be awarded to students in the Combined LLB/MBA Program be revised as highlighted in Exhibit III, item 4a, effective September 1, 2005.

#### CARRIED

#### S.05-118 Faculty of Health Sciences: School of Nursing Policies

S.05-118a Faculty of Health Sciences: Records Check and Vulnerable Sector Screening

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

That effective September 1, 2005, the policy on Records Check and Vulnerable Sector Screening, detailed in Exhibit III, item 5a, be approved for the Faculty of Health Sciences.

#### CARRIED

## S.05-118b Admission Requirements: Western-Fanshawe Collaborative BScN Program

It was moved by J. Tennant, seconded by M-A. Andrusyszyn,

That effective September 1, 2005, Grade 12 U Calculus be withdrawn as a recommended course for application to the Western-Fanshawe Collaborative BScN Program.

#### CARRIED

#### S.05-118c Aboriginal Candidates to the Western-Fanshawe Collaborative BScN Program

It was moved by J. Tennant, seconded by E. Cairns,

That effective for September 2005 admission, four seats in Year 1 of the Western-Fanshawe Collaborative BScN Program (two seats at the UWO site and two seats at the Fanshawe College site) be made available for Aboriginal students whose admission averages do not meet competitive levels.

Professor Carroll reported that the Faculties of Law, Education, Medicine and Business also have a separate admissions policy for Aboriginal Peoples. Dean Weese stated that although the initiative

is specific to the School of Nursing, the Faculty of Health Sciences is considering a discretionary admissions policy for Aboriginal Peoples for the other Schools. He reported that the Faculty will work closely with the First Nations Services Office to ensure support is available to help Aboriginal students with their studies.

Responding to questions about the definition of "Aboriginal candidate", Ms. Gribbon stated that students have an opportunity to indicate on the application form whether or not they are of Aboriginal ancestry and that the Registrar's Office works closely with the First Nations Services Office to verify such a declaration.

The question was called and CARRIED.

## S.05-119 Terms of the Marilyn Robinson Award for Excellence in Teaching

It was moved by J. Tennant, seconded by P. Dean,

That the terms of the Marilyn Robinson Award be revised to read, "all continuing members of full-time faculty who are either Limited Term or Probationary", as detailed in Exhibit III, item 6.

#### CARRIED

## S.05-120 Articulation Agreement between Western's Faculty of Health Sciences (Kinesiology) and Semmelweis University, Budapest, Hungary

It was moved by J. Tennant, seconded by M. Wilson,

That the Articulation Agreement between Semmelweis University, Budapest, and The University of Western Ontario (Faculty of Health Sciences, Kinesiology) regarding transfer credit into the third year of the Honors Specialization in Kinesiology – BSc be approved under the conditions outlined in Exhibit III, item 7.

#### CARRIED

## S.05-121 New Scholarships and Awards

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

Schulich Undergraduate Dentistry Scholarships (Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry, Dentistry)
Kranjc Family 125th Anniversary Alumni Award (Richard Ivey School of Business)
Nancy K. Innis Memorial Award (Faculty of Social Science, Psychology)
Tillie Jensen Eklund Continuing Award (Faculty of Arts & Humanities, French)
G. Keith Humphrey Memorial Award (Faculty of Graduate Studies, Psychology or Neuroscience)
Canadian Centennial '67 Class Award (Faculty of Engineering)
McCarthy Tetrault Leadership Awards (Faculty of Law)
Harold Crabtree Foundation Graduate Scholarship (Faculty of Graduate Studies, Economics)
Harold Crabtree Foundation Awards in the Economics of Industrial Organization (Faculty of Social Science, Economics)
Harold Crabtree Foundation HBA Award (Richard Ivey School of Business)
Robert W. Johnson C.A. Gold Medal (Faculty of Graduate Studies, Business Administration)
Hydrogenics MBA Award in Entrepreneurship (Faculty of Graduate Studies, Business Administration)
HBA 1999 Award (Richard Ivey School of Business)

The detailed Terms of Reference are contained in Exhibit III, pages 16 - 19.

#### S.05-122 DAP and SCAPA: Consultation

## S.05-122a Format for Submissions to the Deans Academic Programs (DAP) "Virtual Committee"

SCAPA reported that at a recent meeting of the Associate Deans it was agreed that the new consultation process for DAP proposals was onerous and that it should be revised so that Departments would be responsible for completing consultation prior to submitting proposals to the Faculty's Educational Policy Committee (or equivalent). Contingent on approval by EPC, the Associate Dean of the Faculty would submit the proposal to DAP. The use of the "Consultation and Comments Sheet for DAP Submissions", therefore, will be discontinued and Section 6 of the Format Instructions for DAP and SCAPA will be revised as shown in Exhibit III, information item 2a.

#### S.05-122b Format for Submissions to SCAPA

The Format for Submissions to SCAPA will be revised to read as detailed in Exhibit III, information item 2b and reference to the "Consultation and Comments Sheet" in item 6 will be removed.

## S.05-123 Undergraduate Sessional Dates in the 2005 Academic Calendar (Print Version)

The official (web) version of the academic calendar is correct with regard to the dates of first term for 2005-2006. However, corrections cannot be made to page 7 of the print version of the academic calendar.

|            | Printed Dates 2005-2006  | Correct Dates 2005-2006  |
|------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| First Term | Sept. 8-Dec. 8 (65 days) | Sept. 8-Dec. 7 (64 days) |
| Study Day  | Dec. 9                   | Dec. 8                   |
| Exams      | Dec. 10-21 (12 days)     | Dec. 9-21 (13 days)      |

The dates in question are shown below:

#### UNIVERSITY PLANNING [Exhibit IV]

# S.05-124 Benefaction from Mr. Seymour Schulich and Naming the Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry

[Dr. J. Silcox and Dr. G. Stirling were present to respond to questions]

It was moved by S. Singh, seconded by J. Weese,

That the Senate approve and recommend to the Board of Governors, through the Vice-Chancellor, the naming, in perpetuity, of the **Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry**, effective September 1, 2005, contingent upon receipt of an Advanced Payment (described in Exhibit IV, item 1) and that upon naming the Faculty, Western shall no longer designate a separate and distinct Schulich School of Medicine.

Dr. Silcox provided an overview of the recommendation detailed in Exhibit IV, item 1. He explained that Dean Herbert consulted broadly during the development of this initiative, including the UWO Dental Society, and the Hippocratic Council, and the Councils of the School of Dentistry and the Schulich School of Medicine.

Professor Carroll spoke against the recommendation stating that Mr. Schulich is getting a deal for his donation compared to historical precedence regarding the naming of medical schools in Canada, i.e., McMaster University received a \$120 million donation from Mr. DeGroot to name their Faculty of Medicine. He expressed concern about the donor's association with the mining industry and that Senate should be concerned about how money the University accepts is made and whether that money is made as a result of corporate policy which promotes human misery and suffering.

Dr. Hatibovic-Kofman spoke in support of the initiative confirming that the Dental School Council approved the renaming which results in the Faculty becoming one unit, The Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry. She explained that the Dental School is grateful for the donation which results in funding for scholarships, and teaching awards.

Asked if Western must renegotiate the spending of the \$26 million because the funds will be distributed to both Medicine and Dentistry, Mr. Garrard explained that such would not occur because Mr. Schulich did not attach a specific designation to the \$5 million bequest. When looking at philanthropic donations of this kind one must look at the life time relationship with the donor and not just one gift at a particular point in time. Past experience shows that if the relationship with a donor is sound, future support can be anticipated.

Ms. Zener and Mr. Chant spoke against the recommendation. While Mr. Schulich's gift of \$26 million to support teaching, advancement in research, and accessibility for students because of high tuition for programs in medicine and dentistry is commendable, students in the Bachelor of Medical Sciences undergraduate program (BMSc) do not benefit from this donation and were not consulted about the change to the name of the Faculty that will be printed on their diplomas. Students in the BMSc program are represented by the Faculty of Science Students' Council and the Science Students' Council was not consulted about the Faculty name change. BMSc students represent about 40% of the students in the Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry. Dr. Harris reminded Senators that the BMSc program is shared between the Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry and the Faculty of Science. The first two years of the program are taken under the purview of the Faculty of Science and the latter two years under the Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry. In her view all students are impacted and will benefit by the Schulich gift.

S.05-124 It was moved by A. Chant, seconded by M. Wilson,

That the motion to rename the Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry be deferred until the Science Students' Council can meet on September 15, 2005, to discuss the renaming.

## Dean Pearson assumed the Chair

Professor Tennant asked if the renaming approved by the Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry Council includes student representation. Dr. Silcox confirmed this point. Mr. Chant asked if students from the Faculty of Science representing the BMSc students were at the Faculty Council meeting. Dr. Silcox reported that the Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry Council does not include such representation.

Professor Doerksen explained that Dean Herbert attended the SCUP meeting where this motion was presented and voiced concern about time lines from an administrative perspective. Ideally the new name should be in place prior to the arrival of students in September. It also will facilitate the appointment of faculty under the revised name.

The question on the MOTION TO DEFER was called and DEFEATED.

Dr. Davenport spoke to the concern that Mr. Schulich directed his initial gift towards medical students rather than the undergraduate students associated with medicine in the Bachelor of Medical Sciences program. Western approached Mr. Schulich about the problems associated with acquiring a medical education. Mr. Schulich stated that his priorities relate to those students paying high medical fees rather than buildings or construction. The accelerated \$4 million gift allows Western to assist the dental students who also pay high tuition fees. The direction of the gift is a priority for Western and the Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry welcomes the name change. Dr. Moran stressed that the motivation behind Mr. Schulich's gift is explicit -- to financially assist those students in medicine (MD program) and now in dentistry (DDS program) because they are among those carrying the largest burden of tuition at Western.

Dr. Harris stated that the students in the BMSc program do benefit from Mr. Schulich's gift. The amount of financial aid funds available for distribution increases in proportion to Mr. Schulich's gift. Students across the University who are in financial need, including BMSc students, will benefit.

Professor Usprich asked if the degree diploma for students in the BMSc program includes the name of the Faculty and asked if the wording on the diploma occurred one year ago when it became the Schulich School of Medicine. The Secretary of Senate clarified that the Schulich School of Medicine shows on the MD diploma only. It states "Schulich School of Medicine in the Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry". Dr. Harris stated that the diploma will now read: "Student X" is recommended by the Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry. The degree diploma for students graduating with a BMSc degree now reads: "Student X" is recommended by the Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry and by the Faculty of Science.

Professor Dean expressed concern about the paragraph that states: "that the Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry will be the sole faculty offering courses and programs leading to degrees and academic designations in medicine, dentistry and medical sciences." He suggested that this statement contradicts the agreement between the current Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry and the Faculty of Science with regard to the BMSc first year entry program and asked if the phrase "courses and programs leading to" be struck from that paragraph. Dean Pearson stated that the wording is not part of the motion and cannot be amended given that it is background information but asked that the Deans of the Faculty of Science and Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry review this issue.

Mr. Chant contended that BMSc students will not benefit from the renaming of the Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry any more than students in any other area of the University but they are being asked to accept the change without consultation or opportunity for input.

Dr. Silcox stated that a significant portion of the funds will be directed towards the Schulich Educator Awards that were established to recognize teaching excellence. This is a benefit to students in the BMSc program because these same instructors teach in the BMSc program.

The question was called and CARRIED.

Dr. Davenport resumed the chair.

#### S.05-125 Western Libraries Annual Report 2004-2005 [Exhibit IV

Ms. Garnett, University Librarian, gave a presentation on the Western Libraries Annual Report 2004-2005, detailed in Exhibit IV, Appendix 1. Overhead slides used to highlight her presentation are attached as **Appendix 3**.

## S.05-126 Information Technology Services Report

Ms. D. Jones, Director of ITS, made a presentation regarding the Information Technology Services Report including security, new projects and the network infrastructure. Details are found in Exhibit IV, Appendix 2.

## S.05-127 <u>New Research and Scholarly Initiative Awards - 2005 Major Grant Competition: Revised</u> <u>Funding Recommendations</u>

Dr. Hewitt gave a brief explanation of the revisions to the funding recommendations for the 2005 ADF Major Grant Competition shown in Exhibit IV, Appendix 3.

## ANNUAL REPORT

## S.05-128 **2004 Annual Report of the University Council on Animal Care** [Exhibit V]

Senate received for information the 2004 Annual Report of the University Council on Animal Care detailed in Exhibit V.

## S.05-129 **<u>REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC COLLEAGUE</u>** [Exhibit VI]

Senate received for information the Report of the Academic Colleague on the 276<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Council of Ontario Universities. Topics discussed included the Rae report, applications to the Ontario university system, and public accountability.

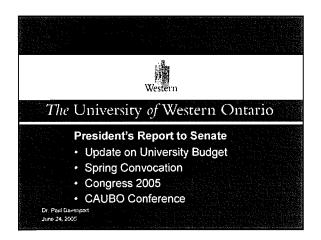
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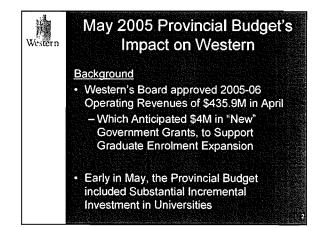
Announcements and Communications, detailed in Exhibit VII, were received for information.

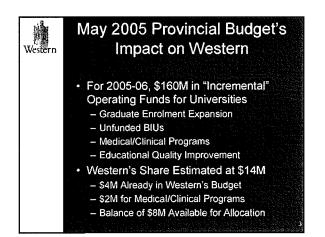
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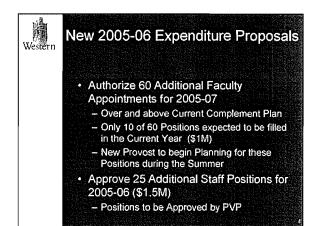
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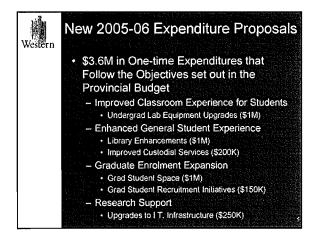
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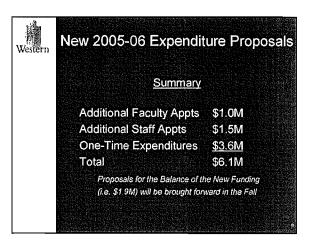






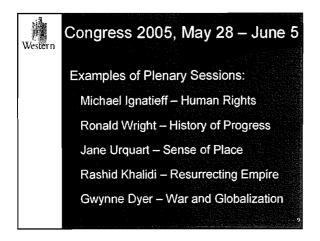




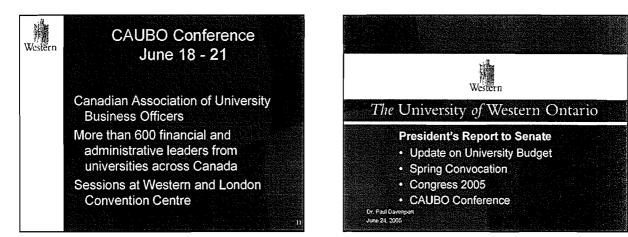


| Western | Spring Convocation<br>Westerns 284 <sup>th</sup> |                            |
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|         | • June 13  | Doris Anderson, Bill Brock |
|         | • June 14  | Maude Barlow,              |
|         |  | Fr. Edward Malloy          |
|         | • June 15  | Professor B.B. Kymlicka,   |
|         |  | Dr. Robert Colcleugh       |
|         | <ul> <li>June 16</li> </ul>                      | Dr. Henry Morgentaler,     |
|         |  | Professor Bessie Borwein   |
|         | <ul> <li>June 17</li> </ul>                      | Hon. Marc Lalonde,         |
|         |  | Professor Jack Fairs       |
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| Western | Congress 2005, May 28 – June 5  |
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|         | Canadian Federation for the Humanities and<br>Social Sciences           |
|         | Largest multidisciplinary gathering of<br>scholars in North America     |
|         | Over 70 Academic Societies' Annual<br>Meetings                          |
|         | More than 7,000 participants; over 300 from the general community       |
|         | Theme: Paradoxes of Citizenship:<br>Environments, Exclusions and Equity |
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| Congress 2005<br>Western's Involvement  |
|---|
| Peter Neary, Academic Convener  |
| Susan Grindrod, Logístics Convener  |
| Ruth Harland – Conference Coordinator   |
| <ul> <li>Academic Engagement from Faculties<br/>and Departments, including graduate<br/>students</li> </ul> |
| <ul> <li>Special exhibits (McIntosh Gallery, Map<br/>Library)</li> </ul>                                    |
| <ul> <li>Concerts and Events – President's<br/>receptions</li> </ul>  |
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Senate Agenda September 23, 2005

June 13, 2005

**OPEN LETTER** 

To: The Board of Governors and the University Community

From: Members of the Senate Honorary Degrees Committee

As members of the Senate Honorary Degrees Committee we are aware of the public statements which have been made concerning the process by which Dr Henry Morgantaler was selected to receive an honorary degree at the 284<sup>th</sup> Convocation of the University of Western Ontario. Specifically there have been charges made publicly that there occurred a breach of customary protocol in the selection process. Public statements have also been made that the process was corrupted by the President of the University of Western Ontario. We welcome dialogue and disagreement over any decisions as it is the role of a University to discuss diverse opinions. However, these allegations concerning impropriety are false and damage not only the President but the Committee, the Senate and the University itself. As such we feel it appropriate to clearly state our position with respect to these claims as follows:

1) The procedures employed to select honorary degree recipients for this coming Convocation were appropriate, fair, and consistent with past practice. Our committee has, for many years, followed Senate guidelines and selected nominees by majority decision. Our committee often reviews potential award winners for multiple years, carefully considering all the information at our disposal. This process was followed this year in the same way it has been followed in previous years.

2) Decision making was undertaken in an open and collegial manner. No member of the committee was in a position to exercise control over the process, and all committee members were free to make the case for and against all proposed nominations. In the case of the Morgentaler nomination in particular, a full and open debate took place prior to the vote being taken.

3) The President, as Chair of the Committee, behaved fairly and honorably.

Dated this day June 13, 2005

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Jerry P. White Heather K. Spence Laschinger Ian Holloway Ted Hewitt Greg Moran Ted Garrard Chris Ellis Tracy Issacs Keith Fleming Gerry Killan Francis Chan Stan Hill Fred Longstaffe Donna Peterson

