The UNIVERSITY of WESTERN ONTARIO

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SENATE

January 20, 2012

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

SENATORS: 66

J. Aitken Schermer
I. Ajiferuke
J. Barnett
I. Birrell
M. Blagrave
S. Camiletti
K. Campbell
A. Chakma
S. Cheema
W. Cracknell
L. Davies
J. Deakin
J. Doerksen
L. Elliott
J. Etherington
J. Faflak
C. Farber
A. Fearnall
N. Ferris
K. Foullong
R. Graham
C. Hanycz
H. Hassan
N. Heapy
J. Holmes
R. Klassen
G. Kulczycki
J. Lamarche
A. Li
S. Macfie
J. Matthews
S. McClatchie
M. McNay
M. Milde
L. Miller
J. Mitchell
B. Neff
A. Nelson
S. Nemirovsky
D. Neufeld
T. Newson
C. Nolan
J. O'Brien
A. Parachin
J. Polgar
V. Prabhu
C. Rice
G. Rowe
J. Santucci
V. Schwean
I. Scott
M. Singh
D. Stanford
C. Stephenson
D. Sutherland
D. Sylvester
M. Tiedemann
B. Timney
E. Uberig
A. Watson
R. Watson
J. Weese
G. West
M. Wilson
B.A. Younker
P. Yu

Observers: L. Gribbon, G. Tigert, A. Weedon

S.12-01 **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting of December 9, 2011 were approved as circulated.

S.12-02 **REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT**

The President reported on the following items: Provincial funding update, HIV vaccine trials, leadership recruitment and international education panel. Overhead slides used to highlight his presentation are attached as **Appendix 1**.

REPORT OF THE OPERATIONS/AGENDA COMMITTEE (EXHIBIT I)

S.12-03a **Senate Membership – Faculty of Law**

It was moved by A. Chakma, seconded by I Scott,

> That the Senate seat held by Dr. Ben Hovius, representative of the Faculty of Law, be declared vacant as a result of his sabbatical leave and that Dr. Randal Graham be elected to complete his term until June 30, 2012,
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> and
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> That the Senate seat held by Dr. Tom Telfer, representative of the Faculty of Law, be declared vacant during Dr. Telfer's 6-month leave of absence and that Dr. Adam Parachin be elected to replace him until June 30, 2012. Dr. Telfer will return to Senate on July 1, 2012 to complete his term until June 30, 2013.
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> CARRIED

S.12-03b **Senate Membership – Don Wright Faculty of Music**

It was moved by A. Chakma, seconded by S. McClatchie,

> That the Senate seat held by Professor Kevin Mooney, representative of the Don Wright Faculty of Music, be declared vacant as a result of his sabbatical leave and that Dr. Catherine Nolan be elected to complete his term until June 30, 2012.
>
> CARRIED

S.12-04 **Order of Ceremony – Spring Convocation 2012**

The Order of Ceremony for Spring Convocation 2012, detailed in Exhibit I, Appendix 1, was received for information.

REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC POLICY AND AWARDS (EXHIBIT II)

S.12-05 **Faculty of Arts and Humanities: Revisions to English Language and Literature Modules, Minor in English for Teachers, Minor in General English, and Certificate in Theatre Arts; Withdrawal of the Minor in Dramatic Literature**

S.12-05a Revisions to English Language and Literature Modules, Minor in English for Teachers, Minor in General English, and Certificate in Theatre Arts

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

> That at the following modules in the Faculty of Arts and Humanities be revised as highlighted in Exhibit II, 1a, effective May 1, 2012:
>
> Honors Specialization in English Language and Literature
> Specialization in English Language and Literature
> Major in English Language and Literature
> Minor in English Language and Literature
> Minor in English for Teachers
> Minor in General English
>
> CARRIED

S.12-05b Withdrawal of the Minor in Dramatic Literature

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

> That the Minor in Dramatic Literature be withdrawn from offerings in the Faculty of Arts and Humanities, effective January 1, 2012.
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> CARRIED

S.12-06 **Faculty of Arts and Humanities: Revisions to the Certificates and Diplomas in Business French and Français Pratique**

Prior to considering the recommendation, the Chair asked that the following statement be included in the revised calendar copy regarding the Certificate de Français Pratique: "Students who have successfully completed the majority of the courses for this Certificate prior to graduation may finish the Certificate post-degree."

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by J. LaMarche,

> That effective September 1, 2012, the admission, progression and program requirements for the Certificates and Diplomas in Business French and Français Pratique be revised as set out in Exhibit II, item 2.
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> CARRIED

S.12-07 **Richard Ivey School of Business: Revisions to the Admission Requirements for the HBA Advanced Entry Opportunity (AEO)**

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

> That the admission requirements for the Advanced Entry Opportunity (AEO) for Honors Business Administration at the Richard Ivey School of Business be revised as set out in Exhibit II, item 3, effective January 1, 2012.
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> CARRIED

S.12-08 **Faculty of Social Science: Introduction of a Social Science Course Designation and a Summer Internship; Revision to the Admission Requirements for Economics Modules for Ontario High School Applicants**

S.12-08a Introduction of a Social Science Course Designation and a Summer Internship

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by J. LaMarche,

> That a Social Science course designation be introduced; and,
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> That a Summer Internship course, Social Science 3990, detailed in Exhibit II, item 4a, be introduced in the Faculty of Social Science effective January 1, 2012.
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> CARRIED

S.12-08b Revision to Admission Requirements for Economics Modules for Ontario High School Applicants

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by R. Graham,

> That the policy on Admission Requirements for Ontario High School Applicants be revised to require university-level Calculus for admission into any Economics module other than a Minor in the Faculty of Social Studies, detailed in Exhibit II, item 4b, effective January 1, 2012.

A member raised three concerns:

a) Comparing the changed wording with the existing text, there is in fact no change as far as any high school admission requirements for Economics are concerned. In fact, the change that has been requested is a progression issue, not one pertaining to high school courses.

b) The proposed effective date adversely affects those first year students who enrolled in September 2011 and who have not included a course with a Calculus component in their first year course selections. Therefore, the earliest date for this change should be January 2013, so that students have a chance to pick up a Calculus course next autumn. In addition, as it is not explained at what point the Calculus knowledge is needed, it is unclear if it might be needed by Fall of year II, or whether Winter of year II might be sufficient.

c) It should be made clear what math course at Western will fulfill the requirement of "university-level math course".

Dean Timney agreed to withdraw the proposal and refer it back to SCAPA for clarification of these points.

S.12-09 **School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies: Consolidation of the Graduate Programs in the Department of Physiology and Pharmacology, Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry**

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

> That effective September 1, 2012, the graduate program in Physiology and the graduate program in Pharmacology and Toxicology be consolidated into the single "Physiology and Pharmacology" graduate program, and
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> that admission into the graduate programs in Physiology and Pharmacology and Toxicology, be discontinued effective August 31, 2012, and admissions to the Physiology and Pharmacology program commence on September 1, 2012, and
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> that students be allowed to graduate with a degree either in Physiology or in Pharmacology and Toxicology until the 2017 Spring Convocation.
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> CARRIED

S.12-10 **King's University College: Revisions to Admission Requirements for the Bachelor of Social Work (Honors) Program**

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by S. Camiletti,

> That effective September 1, 2013, the admission requirements to the Bachelor of Social Work (Honors) Program be revised as highlighted in Exhibit II, item 6.
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> CARRIED

S.12-11 **Revisions to the Policies on Administration of Examinations**

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

> That the policies on administration of examinations be revised as highlighted in Exhibit II, item 7, effective January 1, 2012.
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> CARRIED

S.12-12 **New Scholarships and Awards**

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

Filion Wakely Thorup Angeletti LLP Award in Labour and Employment Law (Faculty of Law)
Kwitko Family Scholarship in Ophthalmology (Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry, Medicine)
HSBC Women in Business Leadership Award (Richard Ivey School of Business)

S.12-13 **Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry: Revision to the School of Dentistry Sessional Dates to Change the Start Date of the Internationally Trained Dentist Program**

The School of Dentistry Sessional Dates were revised to reflect that effective for June 2012, the start date for Year 1 of the ITD (Internationally Trained Dentist) program will be the first Monday in June rather than the last Monday in August.

S.12-14 **ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNICATIONS** (EXHIBIT III)

Announcements, detailed in Exhibit III, were received for information.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.

A. Chakma Chair	I. Birrell Secretary

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