The UNIVERSITY of WESTERN ONTARIO

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SENATE

March 23, 2012

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

SENATORS: 71

J. Aitken Schermer
I. Ajiferuke
J. Barnett
J. Bend
C. Beynon
I. Birrell
M. Blagrave
S. Camiletti
K. Campbell
T. Carmichael
A. Chakma
S. Cheema
M. Ciniello
S. Connor
W. Cracknell
J. Deakin
C. Dean
J. Doerksen
B. Duncan
W. Dunn
L. Elliott
J. Etherington
C. Farber
A. Fearnall
K. Foullong
J. Garnett
K. Goldthorp
N. Heapy
J. Holmes
G. Hunter
A. Hrymak
R. Klassen
J. Knowles
G. Kulczycki
J. Lamarche
B. Leipert
J. Leonard
A. Li
S. Lupker
S. Macfie
S. Madhavji
J. Matthews
P. McKenzie
M. Milde
L. Miller
B. Neff
S. Nemirovsky
D. Neufeld
E. Ng
C. Nolan
J. O'Brien
A. Parachin
J. Polgar
V. Prabhu
C. Rice
G. Rowe
P. Ryan
J. Santucci
V. Schwean
M. Singh
D. Stanford
C. Stephenson
M. Strong
D. Sylvester
B. Timney
E. Uberig
A. Watson
R. Watson
G. West
M. Wilson
B.A. Younker

Observers: A. Forgione, L. Gribbon, K. Okruhlik, G. Tigert, B. Traister, A. Weedon

By Invitation: C. Dunbar, D. Jones, J. McMullin

S.12-37 **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting of February 17, 2012 were approved with the inclusion of a typographical correction to the word "satisfied" found on the first line on page 3.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

S.12-38 **Israel on Campus (IOC) Event Update** (S.12-16c)

Ms. Kulczycki provided an update on a recent event held by the Israel on Campus (IOC) society in

the UCC which had been disrupted by protesters. The IOC event was sanctioned by the USC; the protest was not. Campus Police were called and three officers attended and stood by to ensure safety until the participants cleared the area. Those individuals taking part in the unauthorized activity who were not Western students were trespassed from campus. The Campus Police also met in follow-up with executives representing both Israeli and Palestinian Student Clubs. The discussions included safety considerations, approval of events, executive responsibilities, process for obtaining approvals for protests and associated topics. The goal was to prevent such incidents from occurring in the future. The USC has been investigating the incident in conjunction with their clubs policy. Mr. Forgione, President of the USC, stated that the USC Clubs Governance Committee will meet on March 23 to discuss all the clubs policies that pertain to this particular event. A report on the outcome of this meeting will be issued in due course.

S.12-39 **REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT**

The President's report consisted of an update on the tuition fee framework, the Provincial budget, the Federal budget and the U15 trip to Germany. Overhead slides used to highlight his presentation are attached as **Appendix 1**.

REPORT OF THE OPERATIONS/AGENDA COMMITEE [Exhibit I]

S.12-40 **Senate Membership: Faculty of Arts and Humanities Constituency**

It was moved by T. Carmichael, seconded by M. Milde,

> That John Hatch (Visual Arts) be elected to Senate to replace Joel Faflak who is on leave (term to June 30, 2012).
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> CARRIED

S.12-41 **Senate Membership: Faculty of Science Constituency**

It was moved by T. Carmichael, seconded by M. Singh,

> That Robert Mercer (Computer Science) be elected to Senate to replace John Barron who is on leave (term to June 30, 2012).
>
> CARRIED

S.12-42 **Senate Membership: Graduate Student Constituency**

It was moved by T. Carmichael, seconded by C. Beynon,

> That Mary Ellen Wennekers (PhD English), Thomas Sutherland (PhD Chemistry) and Eric Sadowski (PhD Health Sciences) be elected to Senate to represent the Graduate Student constituency (term July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013).
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> CARRIED

S.12-43 **Senate Membership: Representative from the General Community**

It was moved by T. Carmichael, seconded by D. Sylvester,

> That Jacob (Jack) Malkin be elected to serve on Senate for a two-year term (July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2014) as a representative of the General Community.
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> CARRIED

S.12-44 **Notice of Motion – Update** (S.12-36)

Dr. Carmichael reported that the Operations/Agenda Committee considered Senator David Standford's Notice of Motion presented at the last Senate meeting and determined that it is in part an administrative matter and in part subject to the Board's Email Policy and the Committee had, therefore, determined that it was not appropriate to place it in Senate's agenda. However, the Committee had forwarded the question to the Subcommittee on Information Technology for further consideration.

REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC POLICY AND AWARDS

S.12-45 **Faculty of Arts and Humanities: Creative Writing and English Language and Literature; Spanish Modules and Certificate in Digital Spanish**

S.12-45a **Introduction of an Honors Specialization in Creative Writing and English Language and Literature**

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by B. Duncan,

> That an Honors Specialization in Creative Writing and English Language and Literature, detailed in Exhibit II, item 1a, be introduced in the Faculty of Arts and Humanities, effective September 1, 2012.
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> CARRIED

S.12-45b **Withdrawal of Spanish Modules and Introduction of New Spanish Modules and Certificate Program**

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by B. Duncan,

> That effective September 1, 2012, the following new modules and certificate program, detailed in Exhibit II, item 1b, be introduced in the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures:
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> - Minor in Spanish Language and Hispanic Cultures
> - Minor in Digital Spanish
> - Major in Spanish Language and Hispanic Cultures
> - Specialization in Spanish Language and Hispanic Cultures
> - Honors Specialization in Spanish Language and Hispanic Cultures
> - Certificate in Digital Spanish,
>
> that admission to the Minor in Spanish Studies, Major in Spanish Language and Literature, Specialization in Spanish Language and Literature, and Honors Specialization in Spanish Language and Literature, be suspended as of May 1, 2012, and students currently enrolled in these modules be allowed until August 31, 2014 to complete them; and
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> that the Minor in Spanish Studies, Major in Spanish Language and Literature, Specialization in Spanish Language and Literature, Honors Specialization in Spanish Language and Literature be withdrawn effective September 1, 2014.
>
> CARRIED

S.12-46 **Faculty of Health Sciences: Revisions to Progression Requirements and Special Student/Transfer Student Requirements in Kinesiology**

S.12-46a **Revisions to the Progression Requirements in the School of Kinesiology**

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

That the "Program Information" section for the School of Kinesiology be updated, as detailed in Exhibit II, item 2a, to reflect current progression policies and additional program requirements, effective September 1, 2012; and, that the Kinesiology Module Information section be removed entirely.

CARRIED

S.12-46b **Revisions to the Special Student/Transfer Student Requirements in the School of Kinesiology**

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

That the policy on "Special Students/Transfer Students" for the School of Kinesiology be revised as set out in Exhibit II, item 2b, effective September 1, 2012.
CARRIED

S.12-47 **Faculty of Law: Revision to "Grading Rules"**

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by M. Wilson**,**

That effective September 1, 2012, the "Grading Rules" in the Faculty of Law be revised as set out in Exhibit II, item 3.

CARRIED

S.12-48 **Don Wright Faculty of Music: Withdrawal of the BMus Honors Theory and Composition and Introduction of a BMus Honors Music Theory and BMus Honors Composition**

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

That the Bachelor of Music (BMus) with Honors in Theory and Composition in the Don Wright Faculty of Music be withdrawn and reintroduced as two separate degrees, as detailed in Exhibit II, item 4:
1) Bachelor of Music (BMus) with Honors in Music Theory, and
2) Bachelor of Music (BMus) with Honors in Composition;

that admission to the BMus with Honors in Theory and Composition be discontinued effective August 31, 2013, and admission to the BMus with Honors in Music Theory and the BMus with Honors in Composition commence on September 1, 2013; and

that students enrolled in the BMus with Honors in Theory and Composition prior to September 1, 2013 be given the choice to complete the old program or to enrol in one of the new programs; and that the BMus with Honors in Theory and Composition be withdrawn effective September 1, 2015.

CARRIED

S.12-49 **Faculty of Science: Revisions to Admission Requirements for Physics and Astronomy Modules**

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

That effective September 1, 2012, the admission requirements for Physics and Astronomy modules be revised as set out in Exhibit II, item 5, for Groups 1, 2 and 3.

CARRIED

S.12-50 **Faculty of Social Science: Introduction of a Minor in Transitional Justice and Post-Conflict Reconstruction, "Transitional Justice" as a Course Designation, and New Courses in Transitional Justice**

S.12-50a **Introduction of a Minor in Transitional Justice and Post-Conflict Reconstruction**

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

That a Minor in Transitional Justice and Post-Conflict Reconstruction, detailed in Exhibit II, item 6a, be introduced in the Faculty of Social Science, effective September 1, 2012.

CARRIED

S.12-50b **Introduction of "Transitional Justice" as a Course Designation and New Courses in Transitional Justice**

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

That "Transitional Justice" be introduced as a course designation, and that two new courses, Transitional Justice 2001F/G: Problems in Transitional Justice and Post-Conflict Reconstruction, and Transitional Justice 3001F/G: Studies in Transitional Justice and Post-Conflict Reconstruction, detailed in Exhibit II, item 6b, be introduced in the Faculty of Social Science, effective September 1, 2012.

CARRIED

S.12-51 **Faculties of Social Science and Law: Withdrawal of the Combined Honors Specialization in History (BA)/Juris Doctor (JD)**

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

That the Combined Honors Specialization in History (BA)/Juris Doctor (JD) program be withdrawn, effective September 1, 2012.

CARRIED

S.12-52 **School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies: Collaborative Graduate Program in Transitional Justice and Post-Conflict Reconstruction; Master of Financial Economics**

S.12-52a **Introduction of a Collaborative Graduate Program in Transitional Justice and Post-Conflict Reconstruction**

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

That, pending Quality Council approval, the collaborative graduate program in Transitional Justice and Post-Conflict Reconstruction be introduced in the School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies as shown in Exhibit II, Appendix 2**,** effective May, 1, 2012.

CARRIED

S.12-52b **Introduction of a Master of Financial Economics Program**

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

That, pending Quality Council approval, the Professional Master of Financial Economics (MFE) be introduced in the School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, as shown in Exhibit II, Appendix 3**,** effective September 1, 2013.

CARRIED

S.12-53 **Introduction of Western's "School Within a University" (SWAU) Program for High-School Students from the Thames Valley District School Board**

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

> That Senate approve the introduction of Western's "School Within a University" (SWAU) program for high school students from the Thames Valley District School Board, detailed in Exhibit II, item 9, effective September 1, 2012.

A Senator asked if the London District Catholic School Board (LDCSB) will be approached regarding this initiative. Dr. Doerksen explained that this initiative is modelled after the one used by the Thames Valley School Board and Fanshawe College but that nothing precludes the LDCSB from contacting Western about mounting a similar program.

The question was called and CARRIED

S.12-54 **Revisions to Policies Governing Athletic Financial Awards (AFA)**

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

> That Senate approve that the values set out in the Policies Governing Athletic Financial Awards be revised as set out in Exhibit II, item 10, effective for the 2012-2013 academic year.
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> CARRIED

S.12-55 **Report of SUPR-G: Review of the Department of Microbiology and Immunology, Schulich School of Medicine and Dentistry**

Senate received for information the recommendations of the Subcommittee on Program Review – Graduate (SUPR-G) for the Department of Microbiology and Immunology, in the Schulich School of Medicine and Dentistry, as detailed in Exhibit II, Appendix 4.

S.12-56 **Revisions to the Terms of Reference and Composition of SUPR-U and SUPR-G**

Senate received for information the revisions to the Terms of Reference and Composition of the Subcommittees on Program Review – Undergraduate and Graduate (SUPR-U and SUPR-G) as set out in Exhibit II, Appendix 5, effective July 1, 2012.

S.12-57 **New Scholarships, Awards and Bursaries**

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

MBA Student Support Fee Bursaries (School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, Business)
MBA Student Support Fee OSOTFII Bursary (School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, Business)
MBA Student Support Fee OTSS Bursary (School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, Business)
Michael Mics Bursary (Continuing Studies)
HRPLD Human Resources Award (Faculty of Social Science, MOS)
Wade-Walters Scholarship (Faculty of Arts and Humanities, French and English)
A.M.F.G. Nursing Ontario Graduate Scholarships (School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, Nursing)
Newalta Corporation Ontario Graduate Scholarships (School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, Engineering)
Leland Phelps McLelland Ontario Graduate Scholarship (School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, English)
Martha Blackburn Journalism Entrance Scholarship (School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, Journalism)
Brigadier F.C. Wallace HBA Scholarship (Richard Ivey School of Business)

S.12-58 **Faculty of Law: Revision to "Cross Registration in Business Courses" Policy**

The Richard Ivey School of Business has changed its regulation regarding MBA students registering in Law courses. The policy on *Cross Registration in Business Courses* that appears in the Law section of the calendar has been updated to reflect this change.

S.12-59 **Revisions to the Dentistry Sessional Dates**

The sessional dates for Dentistry have been revised to reflect the changes approved by SCAPA and Senate on January 20, 2012, as set out in Exhibit II, item 15.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY PLANNING [Exhibit III]

S.12-60 **Fall 2012 Entrance Standards for Undergraduate First-Year Admissions**

It was moved by S. Connor, seconded by A. Li,

> That Senate approve the targets and processes for first-year, first-entry undergraduate enrolment for the constituent University and Affiliated University Colleges as outlined in Exhibit III, Appendix 1.
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> CARRIED

S.12-61 **Five-Year Enrolment Projections**

It was moved by D. Sylvester, seconded by M. Milde,

> That five-year enrolment projections (Exhibit III, Appendix 2) be used for purposes of tuition revenue estimates in the University's budget projections.
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> CARRIED

A Senator asked if the administration plans to address the issue of over-crowding in the library given that enrolment is increasing. Dr. Deakin remarked that the University Librarian is developing a plan to make effective use of library space by repurposing current space and looking at storage facilities. Ms. Garnett, University Librarian, confirmed that they are looking at all the library space to try to ease over-crowding and provide different types of space for students. A member expressed concern about moving books out of the libraries because it makes it difficult to access hard copy materials needed for research. Dr. Deakin agreed to take this concern under advisement.

S.12-62 **Report on Year One Class Entering Averages**

The Report on Year One Class Entering Averages, detailed in Exhibit III, Appendix 3, was received for information.

S.12-63 **Vice-Provost's Report on Faculty Recruitment and Retention**

The Vice-Provost's Report on Faculty Recruitment and Retention, detailed in Exhibit III, Appendix 4, was received for information. Dr. Weedon provided an overview of his report by highlighting several slides contained in Appendix 4.

Responding to a question about the male/female applicant pool, Dr. Weedon advised that the hiring committees are collecting data, but to date, it has been unreliable.

S.12-64 **Annual Report of the Working Group on Information Security (WGIS)**

The Annual Report of the Working Group on Information Security (WGIS), detailed in Exhibit III, Appendix 5, was received for information.

UNIVERSITY RESEARCH BOARD

S.12-65 **Annual Report of the Vice-President (Research)**

The Annual Report of the Vice-President (Research), detailed in Exhibit IV, was received for information. Dr. Deakin, Acting Vice-President (Research), provided an overview of the report.

HONORARY DEGREE COMMITTEE (EXHIBIT V)

S.12-66 **Honorary Degree Recipients – Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry and Western's Hong Kong Convocations**

The Honorary Degrees Committee of the Senate announced that John Noseworthy will be honored by conferment of an honorary Doctor of Science at Western's Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry MD Convocation which will be held on Friday, May 18, and that John Cheh will be honored by conferment of an honorary Doctor of Laws at Western's Hong Kong Convocation which will be held on Sunday, May 27.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

A. Chakma Chair	I. Birrell Secretary

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President's Report to Senate

March 23, 2012

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Environmental scan

- **Tuition Fee Frame work extended for another year.**
- **Provincial budget (March 27)**
- **Federal budget (March 29)**
- **U15 trip to Germany**

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