



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SENATE

February 13, 2015

The meeting was held at 1:30 p.m. in Room 56, University Community Centre.

SENATORS: 64

J. Aitken Schermer	A. El-Boraie	D. Rogers
M.A. Andrusyszyn	C. Farber	P. St-Pierre
D. Belliveau	J. Hatch	M. Salvadori
I. Birrell	B. Hovius	P. Scala
P. Bishop	A. Hrymak	V. Schwean
N. Brooks	C. Jones	I. Scott
D. Brou	J. Lamarche	K. Siddiqui
J. Burkell	B. Leipert	R. Sookraj
S. Camiletti	J. Malkin	V. Staroverov
J. Capone	T. McMurrough	C. Steeves
A. Chakma	R. Mercer	B. Steinbock
C.L. Chambers	M. Milde	M. Strong
B. Cheadle	J.-F. Millaire	T. Sutherland
K. Cole	L. Miller	S. Taylor
L. Crich	S. Mischler	B. Timney
J. Cuciurean	K. Moser	J. Toswell
K. Danylchuk	A. Nelson	J. Weese
J. Deakin	D. Neufeld	G. Westwood
C. Dean	V. Nielsen	C. Wilkins
G. Dekaban	C. Nolan	B.A. Younker
G. Dresser	V. Nolte	
J. Eberhard	P.P. Pare	

Observers: M. Blgrave, J. Doerksen, J. Inoue, K. Okruhlik, C. Waugh

By Invitation: H. Connell

Members of Senate held a moment of silence to observe the untimely passing of Western's 21st chancellor, Joseph Rotman, on January 27, 2015.

S.15-26 **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting of January 23, 2015, were approved as circulated.

S.15-27 **REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT**

The President reported on the following items: re-appointment of Dr. Michael Strong as Dean of the Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry; recent appointment of Jana Luker as Associate Vice-President (Student Experience); Barb MacQuarrie appointed to the Order of Ontario; former

student senator Jack Litchfield and current student senator Richard Sookraj were elected President and Vice-President, respectively, of the University Students' Council for 2015-16; the idea of a joint submission with McMaster and Waterloo universities with respect to a proposal for Advanced Manufacturing had been positively received by the provincial government officials with whom it has been discussed; and outreach by the U15 to the three federal parties.

REPORT OF THE OPERATIONS/AGENDA COMMITTEE [Exhibit I]

S.15-28 **Senate Membership: Faculty of Science Constituency**

It was moved by J. Weese, seconded by T. Sutherland,

That Duncan Murdoch, elected to Senate to represent the Faculty of Science constituency, be granted a leave of absence, and

That Burns Cheadle be elected to serve on Senate as his alternate (term to December 31, 2015).

CARRIED

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE [Exhibit II]

S.15-29 **Selection Committee for the Vice-Provost (Academic Planning, Policy & Faculty)**

The following were elected to the Selection Committee for the Vice-Provost (Academic Planning, Policy and Faculty): Michael Milde, Scott MacDougall-Shackleton and Jane Rylett.

Dr. Deakin said that Dr. Weedon's appointment has been extended to June 2016. Given his extensive knowledge about the workings of the University, plans are to secure the appointment of his replacement early with an interim title to enable that individual to shadow Dr. Weedon for a year before moving into the role.

REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC POLICY AND AWARDS [Exhibit III]

S.15-30 **Faculty of Social Science, Department of Economics: Withdrawal of the Economics Summer Co-op Program**

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

That effective May 1, 2015 the Economics Summer Co-op Program be withdrawn.

CARRIED

S.15-31 **School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies: Dual-Credential PhD Degree Agreement between the Université Libre de Bruxelles (Belgium) and The University of Western Ontario**

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by P. Bishop,

That effective January 1, 2015 the introduction of a Dual-Credential PhD Degree Agreement between The Université Libre de Bruxelles (Belgium) and The University of Western Ontario be approved as shown in Exhibit III, Appendix 1.

CARRIED

S.15-32 **Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry and Faculty of Science: Revision of the Combined BMSc (Interdisciplinary Medical Sciences)/HBA Program**

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

That the Year 4 BMSc requirements for the Combined BMSc (Interdisciplinary Medical Sciences)/HBA Program be revised effective September 1, 2015, as shown in Exhibit III, Appendix 2.

CARRIED

S.15-33 **Brescia University College: Introduction of the Specialization and Honors Specialization in Nonprofit Management (BMOS)**

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by D. Rogers,

That effective September 1, 2015, the Specialization and Honors Specialization in Nonprofit Management leading to a BMOS degree be introduced at Brescia University College contingent upon the Quality Council's approval as shown in Exhibit III, Appendix 3.

CARRIED

S.15-34 **Brescia University College, Department of Sociology: Renaming and Revising the Honors Specialization in Crime and Communities, Major in the Sociology of Law, Crime and Deviance and Minor in Criminology**

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by D. Rogers,

That effective September 1, 2015, the modules

- Honors Specialization in Crime and Communities
- Major in Sociology of Law, Crime and Deviance
- Minor in Criminology

be renamed and revised as shown in Exhibit III, Appendix 5, and

That students currently enrolled in these modules be allowed to graduate with the old designation by September 1, 2017.

CARRIED

S.15-35 **SUPR-G Report: Cyclical Reviews of the Ivey School of Business Graduate Programs and the Scientific Computing (Collaborative Graduate Program)**

The following cyclical reviews of graduate programs were approved by SCAPA:

Faculty/Affiliates	Program	Date of Review	SUPR-G recommendation
Ivey School of Business	Graduate programs	September 25-26, 2014	Good Quality
Science	Scientific Computing (Collaborative Graduate Program)	September 26, 2014	Good Quality

The detailed Final Summary Reports are attached as Exhibit III, Appendix 6.

S.15-36 **Policy Revisions**

Senate received for information the following policy revisions:

S.15-36a Revisions to the Part-Time Admission for Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) Students: WISE and SWAU Policy

The policy was revised to reflect the increased number of students that can be admitted under the SWAU program, as a result of the generous donation of the Joyce Foundation towards this initiative. An announcement of the donation was made in December, 2014:

<http://www.giving.westernu.ca/the-campaign/news/2014/the-joyce-foundation-donates.html>

The revised calendar copy is posted at

http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic_policies/admission/ptossd.pdf

S.15-36b Revisions to the Structure of the Academic Year Policy

The policy is posted at: http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/academic_policies/general/structure.pdf

Senate approved changes to this policy in January 2015 – see agenda item posted here: http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/senate/minutes/2015/a15jan23sen_all.pdf. An additional minor editorial amendment was made to the policy after Senate approval regarding the deadline to submit In Absentia Convocation applications.

The policy read:

** Application deadline for the In Absentia Convocation is January 22, or, if the deadline falls on a weekend or holiday, the next business day. No ceremony is held”.

It was revised as:

** Application deadline for the In Absentia Convocation is January 22. No ceremony is held”.

Students are now able apply to graduate via the Student Centre on-line at any time, therefore, there is no need to accommodate weekends or holidays for this process.

S.15-37 **New Scholarships and Awards**

SCAPA approved on behalf of the Senate, the Terms of Reference for the new scholarships and awards shown in Exhibit III, Appendix 7, for recommendation to the Board of Governors through the Vice-Chancellor.

S.15-38 **ANNOUNCEMENTS** [Exhibit IV]

Senate received for information Announcements detailed in Exhibit IV.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

A. Chakma
Chair

I. Birrell
Secretary