



## **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SENATE**

**January 23, 2015**

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

SENATORS: 71

J. Aitken Schermer	C. Farber	C. Nolan
M.A. Andrusyszyn	J. Hatch	C. O'Connor
N. Banerjee	B. Hovius	B. Palin
D. Belliveau	A. Hrymak	P.P. Pare
I. Birrell	Y. Huang	D. Rogers
P. Bishop	C. Jones	P. St-Pierre
N. Brooks	R. Kennedy	P. Scala
D. Brou	G. Kulczycki	V. Schwean
L. Brown	J. Lamarche	I. Scott
J. Burkell	B. Leipert	K. Siddiqui
S. Camiletti	J. Malkin	R. Sookraj
J. Capone	S. McClatchie	V. Staroverov
T. Carmichael	S. McDonald Aziz	C. Steeves
A. Chakma	C. McGarvey	B. Steinbock
M. Clapton	T. McMurrough	D. Sylvester
D. Coward	K. Mequanint	G. Tigert
M. Crossan	R. Mercer	B. Timney
J. Cuciurean	J.-F. Millaire	J. Toswell
J. Deakin	L. Miller	N. Wathen
C. Dean	S. Mischler	A. Watson
D. Dodgson	D. Mok	J. Weese
G. Dresser	A. Nelson	G. Westwood
J. Eberhard	V. Nielsen	C. Wilkins
J. Faflak	C. Niesel	

Observers: E. Chamberlain, J. Doerksen, L. Gribbon, A. Hearn, J. Inoue, A. Mandich

### S.15-01 **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting of December 5, 2014 were approved with the inclusion of the following correction to the second sentence in S.14-230: Western's Financial Matters:

...100% of the funding for Research Masters and PhDs will be available for graduate support through the Faculties and SGPS.

### S.15-02 **REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT**

The President reported on the following items: Visit of the Premier to three universities, including Western, Provincial budget discussion, recent appointment of Dr. Robert Andersen as the new Dean of the Faculty of Social Science, and Professor Jeremy McNeill named a Member of the Order of Canada.

Ms. Kulczycki provided an update on the Campus Master Plan noting that communications will be forthcoming soon to direct campus community members to a website where more information on the plan will be available and also allow for feedback to the planning committee. She advised that it is expected that the revised campus master plan document will be presented for approval to Senate in April.

Dr. Hearn, President of UWOFA, noted that as part of the Premier's visit she met with members of UWOFA's leadership team during which time they discussed the rising use of short-term contract faculty and the impact on academic freedom.

**REPORT OF THE OPERATIONS/AGENDA COMMITTEE** [Exhibit I]

S.15-03 **Senate Membership: Faculty of Social Science Constituency**

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

That the seat held by Mitch Rothstein, representative of the Faculty of Social Science constituency on Senate, be declared vacant due to his study leave, effective January 1, 2015 and that Daniel Brou (MOS) be elected to take his seat until June 30, 2015. Dr. Rothstein will return to Senate for the remainder of his term, July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016.

CARRIED

S.15-04 **Senate Membership: Representative from the General Community**

It was moved by J. Weese, seconded by C. Wilkins,

That effective January 1, 2015 Dr. Valerie Nielsen be elected to serve on Senate as a Representative of the General Community. Dr. Nielsen's appointment will run until June 30, 2017.

CARRIED

S.15-05 **Revision to the Composition of the Honorary Degrees Committee**

Dr. Weese withdrew the item regarding the revision to the composition of the Honorary Degrees Committee noting that it will be referred back to the Operations/Agenda Committee for further consideration of an issue raised with respect to the balance of ex officio/elected members on the Committee.

S.15-06 **Notice of Motion re Appointment Procedures for Senior Academic & Administrative Officers of the University**

At the December meeting of Senate, Senator J. Toswell submitted a notice of motion concerning an amendment to the *Appointment Procedures for Senior Academic & Administrative Officers of the University* that would add to the Appointment Procedures the process for selecting an Associate Vice-President (Student Experience). The motion included the details of the composition of a selection committee. As the amendment of the Appointment Procedures requires the approval of both the Senate and the Board, the notice of motion is clearly in order to be placed on the Senate agenda. However, with the consent of Senator Toswell, it has been determined that it would be better to defer discussion of the motion until the April meeting of Senate. That will give the Provost time to complete the current search and to reflect upon whether, in light of that experience, the proposed composition of the selection committee going forward is optimal or whether a different composition should be proposed.

S.15-07 **Order of Ceremony – Spring Convocation 2015**

Senate received for information the Order of Ceremony for Spring Convocation 2015, detailed in Exhibit I, Appendix 2. (website: <http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/senate/convocation/index.html>)

**REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE** [Exhibit II]

S.15-08 **Senate Committee on University Planning** (SCUP)

D. Mok was elected to SCUP to replace M. Rothstein who is on leave (term to June 30, 2015).

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

S.15-09 **Faculty of Arts and Humanities, Department of French Studies: Revisions to the Certificate in Practical French (Certificat de Francais Pratique)**

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

That effective September 1, 2015, the Certificate in Practical French (Certificat de Francais Pratique) be revised as shown in Exhibit III, item 1.

CARRIED

S.15-10 **Concurrent Bachelor of Engineering Science (BESc)/MD Program**

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

That admission into the concurrent BESc/MD programs

- Biochemical Engineering and Medicine Option
- Civil Engineering and Medicine Option
- Electrical Engineering and Medicine Option
- Integrated Engineering and Medicine Option
- Mechanical Engineering and Medicine Option
- Software Engineering and Medicine Option

be discontinued in the Faculty of Engineering effective September 1, 2015, and

That, students currently enrolled in the concurrent programs be permitted to finish the Engineering portion of their degrees by August 31, 2018, and

That all concurrent BESc/MD programs be withdrawn effective September 1, 2021.

CARRIED

S.15-11 **Faculty of Engineering, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering: Renaming of the Civil and Structural Engineering Option**

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

That effective September 1, 2014 the “Civil and Structural Engineering” Option be renamed as “Structural Engineering” Option in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering.

CARRIED

S.15-12 **Faculty of Law: Changes to the Progression Requirements of the JD program and Revisions to the Combined JD/MBA Program Structure**

S.15-12a Changes to the Progression Requirements of the JD Program

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

That effective September 1, 2015, the Progression Requirements for the JD program be amended as shown in Exhibit III, Appendix 1.

CARRIED

S.15-12b Revisions to the Combined JD/MBA Program Structure

Prior to considering the recommendation, the Dean Timney announced the following correction (shown in italics and bold) in the revised calendar copy, Exhibit III, Appendix 1, page 2, second last bullet which should read:

The compulsory elements of Western Law's regular JD program, including *Winter* Term intensives and the Faculty writing requirement

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

That effective March 1, 2015, the program structure for the combined JD/MBA program be revised as shown in Exhibit III, Appendix 1.

CARRIED

S.15-13 **School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies: Introduction of New Fields in the MSc in Management Program at the Richard Ivey School of Business**

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

That, effective January 1, 2016 the fields "Analytics" and "Entrepreneurship and Innovation" be introduced in the MSc in Management program at the Richard Ivey School of Business as shown in Exhibit III, Appendix 2.

CARRIED

S.15-14 **Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry: Revisions to the Admission Requirements of the MD Program**

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by M.A. Andrusyszyn,

That the MD program's Admission Requirements for the September 2016 intake in the Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry be revised as set out in Exhibit III, Appendix 3.

CARRIED

S.15-15 **Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry: Revisions to the Progression Requirements of the MD Program**

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by V. Staroverov

That the MD program's Progression Requirements in the Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry be revised as set out in Exhibit III, Appendix 4, effective May 1, 2015.

CARRIED

S.15-16 **Brescia University College, Division of Food and Nutritional Sciences: Withdrawal of the Major in Food Management (under the BSc (Foods and Nutrition))**

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

That, effective September 1, 2015, admission to the Major in Food Management (under the BSc (Foods and Nutrition) program) be discontinued, and

That, students enrolled prior to September 1, 2015 be permitted to continue with the understanding that they must complete the requirements prior to September 1, 2020, and

That effective September 1, 2020, the module be withdrawn.

CARRIED

S.15-17 **Policy Revision: Structure of the Academic Year – Scheduling Fall Convocation**

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

That the policy “Structure of the Academic Year” be revised as shown in Exhibit III, Appendix 6 effective September 1, 2016.

CARRIED

S.15-18 **Revisions to MAPP 2.10 – Policy on Scholarships, Awards and Prizes**

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by I. Scott,

That MAPP 2.10 – Policy on Scholarships, Awards and Prizes attached hereto as Exhibit III, Appendix 7, be recommended to the Senate and the Board of Governors for approval replacing the current MAPP 2.10 policy attached as Exhibit III, Appendix 8 and

That the Senate Policy on Senate/Board Approval Process for Scholarships, Awards and Award Policies as shown in Exhibit III, Appendix 9 be rescinded.

CARRIED

S.15-19 **Undergraduate Sessional Dates**

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

That the undergraduate sessional dates for the Richard Ivey School of Business HBA program, Faculty of Law, and Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry MD and DDS programs for 2015 - 2016, as outlined in Exhibit III, Appendix 11 be approved.

CARRIED

S.15-20 **Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry, Department of Pathology and Faculty of Science, Department of Computer Science: Academic Calendar Listing for the Honors Specialization in Medical Health Informatics**

Senate approved the introduction of the new Honors Specialization in Medical Health Informatics on June 8, 2012: <http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/senate/minutes/2012/r1206scapa.pdf> in the Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry and the Faculty of Science. The original proposal contained the names of the Departments of Computer Science and Pathology as the departments offering this program; however, the names of the departments were omitted from the Senate documentation. The Academic Calendar has now been amended to include the program under

the listings of the departments.

S.15-21 **Report of the Subcommittee on Program Review – Graduate (SUPR-G)**

S.15-21a **Cyclical review – Neuroscience Program**

Senate received for information the following cyclical review:

Faculty/Affiliates	Program	Date of Review	SUPR-G recommendation
Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry	Neuroscience	May 21-22, 2014	Conditionally approved with report in September 2016

The detailed Final Summary Report is attached as Exhibit III, Appendix 12.

S.15-21b **Ph.D. in Law New Program Review - Follow-up Report**

The external review of the newly created PhD in Law program took place on April 16-17, 2012. In May 2012, SCAPA approved the program to commence as “Good quality with report in one year, following the first intake”. At its December 1, 2014 meeting, SUPR-G reviewed the follow-up report for this program and changed its final evaluation to “Good Quality”.

S.15-22 **New Scholarships and Awards**

SCAPA has approved on behalf of the Senate, the Terms of Reference for the new scholarships and awards shown in Exhibit III, Appendix 13, for recommendation to the Board of Governors through the Vice-Chancellor.

**REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNIVERSITY PLANNING** [Exhibit IV]

S.15-23 **CGA Ontario Professorship in Accounting – Name Change**

It was moved by J. Deakin, seconded by J. Aitken Schermer,

That the existing CGA Ontario Professorship in Accounting established in September 2012 at the Faculty of Social Science be renamed the CPA Ontario Professorship in Accounting and adhere to the terms already established.

CARRIED

S.15-24 **REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC COLLEAGUE** [Exhibit V]

The Report of the Academic Colleague, detailed in Exhibit V, was received for information. Topics covered included: Population Projections and University Enrolment in Ontario, Sexual Assault Policies and Campus Response, Ontario Online Initiative, Indigenous Students and Faculty, Retirements and Resignations and the IDeA Competition. The Chair thanked Professor Chamberlain for her work as interim Academic Colleague.

S.15-25 **ANNOUNCEMENTS** [Exhibit VI]

Announcements detailed in Exhibit VI, were received for information.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

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A. Chakma  
Chair

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I. Birrell  
Secretary