

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SENATE**

**November 17, 2017**

The meeting was held at 1:30 p.m. in Room 1R40, Arts and Humanities Building.

SENATORS: 74

A. Abuhussein	A. Hearn	S. Mumm
W. Avusuglo	B. Hill	V. Nielsen
T. Baerg	H. Hill	V. Nolte
P. Barmby	A. Holm	E. Panarello
G. Belfry	A. Hrymak	I. Paul
M. Blackwood	C. Jones	W. Pearson
A. Bowlus	P. Jones	A. Ray
J. Capone	A. Katz	C. Roulston
T. Carmichael	L. Kim	B. Rubin
A. Chakma	J. Knowles	J. Rylett
E. Chamberlain	K. Kontogiannis	D.R. Sainani
A. Chant	G. Kopp	P. Schmidt
L. Charland	D. Kotsopoulos	V. Schwean
K. Clark	K. Kwan	J. Siou
K. Cole	K. Lawless	W. Siqueira
R. Collins	E. Macpherson	V. Staroverov
A. Conway	J. Matthews	M. Strong
R. Datta	M. McDayter	G. Tigert
J. Deakin	A. Meyer	S. Trosow
I. Decoito	J. Michalski	M. Viczko
P. Doyle	M. Milde	E. Walsh
O. Enbar	K. Miller	J. Wihlidal
J. Garland	L. Miller	B.A. Younker
C. Hardy	J. Mitchell	K. Zhou
J. Hatch	D. Moser	

Observers: M.B. Bonn, K. Campbell, J. Esseltine, S. Pitel, J. Sadler

By Invitation: S. MacKay

**Land Acknowledgement**

E. Chamberlain read the Land Acknowledgement.

S.17-215

**MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting of October 20, 2017 were approved with the inclusion of the following amendment (*shown in italics*) to S.17-213: Report from the Board of Governors.

The last sentence was amended to read:

He agreed to include both policies in the package for Senators and agreed to provide a brief listing of the changes *and reasons*.

S.17-216 **Business Arising from the Minutes**

S.17-217 **Emergency Alarm System** [S.17-163]  
*[Senate granted speaking privileges to S. MacKay.]*

At the June Senate meeting a question was asked as to why an emergency alarm was not sounded when a pressure monitoring system in a washroom was mistakenly thought to be a bomb. S. MacKay, Acting Associate Vice-President (Facilities Management), said that the device in the washroom was a water flush counter that now has a smoke glass covering to obscure the numbers counting down. Responding to a question about when the emergency alarm is usually sounded, he explained that every situation is different. Western has in place a policy on Emergency Response and Preparedness. In the event of a suspected bomb, the 911 call would go through Campus Police and the Emergency Response Team (ERT) would be alerted, the building would be evacuated and the area would be secured pending the arrival of the tactical team. An alarm would be sounded in the event of a bomb threat. The emergency sirens tested during the week are for storm warnings not bomb threats.

S.17-218 **Report on Scholastic Offences** [S.17-211]

The Chair reported that J. Doerksen will answer the question regarding the sanction “negative the weight of the assignment” at the December 8 Senate meeting.

S.17-219 **REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT** [Exhibit I]

The President’s report, distributed with the agenda, contained information on the following topics: Canada Foundation for Innovation backs five Western projects; new graduate alumni honoured by Governor General; new interdisciplinary clinic opens to support children’s mental health; Provost hosts budget town halls; Equity and Human Rights Services Annual Report and Western leadership update. He also reported on the recent appointment of Ontario’s new Chief Scientist, Molly Shoichet, the appointment of Canada’s Chief Scientist, Mona Nemer and the successful Fall Preview Day held on November 12. He thanked the faculty and staff who volunteered their time to make Fall Preview Day a success.

S.17-220 **UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGENDA** [Exhibit II]

It was moved by K. Zhou, seconded by J. Wihlidal,

That the items listed in Exhibit II, Unanimous Consent Agenda, be approved or received for information by Senate by unanimous consent.

CARRIED

**REPORT OF THE SENATE OPERATIONS/AGENDA COMMITTEE** [Exhibit III]

S.17-221 **Information Items Reported by the Senate Operations/Agenda Committee**

The Report of the Senate Operations/Agenda Committee, detailed in Exhibit III, contained the following items that were received for information by unanimous consent:

- Regulations governing Senate and Board Student Elections – Revision to Campaign Expenses
- Senate Election Schedule for Spring 2018

S.17-222 **Request for amendments to minutes of the Senate meeting of September 22, 2017**

The Operations/Agenda Committee carefully considered a report from the University Secretary regarding whether the minutes of September 22, 2017 should be amended. The Committee was mindful of both the Senate By-Laws and the Adopted Policies and Procedures of Senate. The Committee considered that the minutes of Senate are not meant to be transcripts of the proceedings, but should contain mainly a record of what was done at the meeting, not what was said at the meeting. As such, the minutes should not be verbatim and should be a summary of the decisions.

The Operations/Agenda Committee therefore supported the decision that the minutes not be amended.

The Senator said that he did not ask for a transcript or verbatim, and that the issue is with regard to the transparency of the proceedings of Senate. He said that he would speak to this item at the December Senate meeting following a meeting with the Secretary and the Chair of OAC.

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

S.17-223 **Richard Ivey School of Business: Revisions to the HBA Admission Requirements through the Advanced Entry Opportunity (AEO) Program**

It was moved by K. Zhou, seconded by J. Wihlidal,

That the HBA admission requirements through the Advanced Entry Opportunity (AEO) program be revised as shown in Exhibit V, Appendix 1, effective September 1, 2017.

CARRIED (By Unanimous Consent)

S.17-224 **School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies: Revisions to the Psychology Graduate Program (MSc and PhD)**

It was moved by K. Zhou, seconded by J. Wihlidal,

That effective September 1, 2018 the graduate program (MSc and PhD) in Psychology be revised as shown in Exhibit V, Appendix 2.

CARRIED (By Unanimous Consent)

S.17-225 **Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry, School of Dentistry: Revisions to the Admission Requirements of the DDS Program**

It was moved by K. Zhou, seconded by J. Wihlidal,

That the admission requirements of the DDS program be revised effective April 1, 2018 (for the September 1, 2018 cohort), as shown in Exhibit V, Appendix 3.

CARRIED (By Unanimous Consent)

S.17-226 **Faculty of Science, Department of Chemistry: Revisions to the Chemistry Modules**

It was moved by K. Zhou, seconded by J. Wihlidal,

That the modules:  
Honors Specialization in Chemistry  
Specialization in Chemistry  
Major in Chemistry

Minor in Chemistry  
Honors Specialization in Biochemistry and Chemistry  
be revised effective September 1, 2018 as shown in Exhibit V, Appendix 4.

CARRIED (By Unanimous Consent)

S.17-227 **Faculty of Social Science, Department of History: Revisions to the Minor in American Studies**

It was moved by K. Zhou, seconded by J. Wihlidal,

That the Minor in American Studies be revised effective September 1, 2018 as shown in Exhibit V, Appendix 5.

CARRIED (By Unanimous Consent)

S.17-228 **Introduction of a 2+2 Program between Central South University, China, and Western University**

It was moved by K. Zhou, seconded by J. Wihlidal,

That effective September 1, 2017, Senate approve and recommend to the Board of Governors the introduction of a 2+2 Honors Bachelor of Science (Western), and Bachelor in Computer Science (CSU) program for students registered at Central South University, China and Western University as outlined in the Agreement included as Exhibit V, Appendix 6.

CARRIED (By Unanimous Consent)

S.17-229 **King's University College: Introduction of the KEY (King's Enhanced Year) Program**

It was moved by K. Zhou, seconded by J. Wihlidal,

That effective September 1, 2018, the KEY (King's Enhanced Year) Program be introduced at King's University College as shown in Exhibit V, Appendix 7.

CARRIED (By Unanimous Consent)

S.17-230 **Western Continuing Studies: Revisions to the Certificates and Diplomas Policy (Removal of Application Dates)**

It was moved by K. Zhou, seconded by J. Wihlidal,

That effective January 1, 2018 the Certificates and Diplomas Policy be revised as shown in Exhibit V, item 8.

CARRIED (By Unanimous Consent)

S.17-231 **Information Items Reported by the Senate Committee on Academic Policy and Awards**

Exhibit V, Report of the Senate Committee on Academic Policy and Awards, contained the following items that were received for information by unanimous consent:

- Revisions to the Regulations of the SCAPA Subcommittee on Teaching Awards (SUTA)
- Undergraduate Sessional Dates for 2018 and 2019
- New Scholarships and Awards

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

S.17-232 **Arthur Labatt Family Chair in Nursing – Name Change and Change in Terms**

It was moved by K. Zhou, seconded by J. Wihlidal,

That the updated provisions for the Arthur Labatt Chair in Nursing with academic appointment in the Faculty of Health Sciences be approved as described in Exhibit VI, Appendix 1.

CARRIED (By Unanimous Consent)

S.17-233 **Information Item Reported by the Senate Committee on University Planning**

The Report of the Senate Committee on University Planning, detailed in Exhibit VI, contained the following item that was received for information by unanimous consent:

- Discontinuation of Dancap Private Equity Faculty Fellowships

S.17-234 **REPORT OF THE ACADEMIC COLLEAGUE** [Exhibit VII]

The Report of the Academic Colleague, detailed in Exhibit VII, was received for information. Topics contained in the report included: Strategic Mandate Agreements, Boosting STEM Graduates, Career Kick-Start Strategy and Action on Student Mental Health. Discussion of the report included issues surrounding the investment to increase the number of postsecondary students graduating in STEM disciplines, and an update on the COU Strategic Engagement Campaign - partnering for a better future. E. Chamberlain said that this report will be released soon and added that the report covers items such as what Ontarians wants and how the government can help. The key message is that universities should partner better with agencies, health care, business etc. in order to collaborate for an innovative future and provide support to a diverse population.

S.17-235 **ANNOUNCEMENTS** [Exhibit VIII]

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

**DISCUSSION AND QUESTION PERIOD**

S.17-236 **University President Selection/Review Committee Processes**

Three Senators submitted questions regarding the processes for the Selection/Review Committee for the University President. M. Milde, Chair of the Operations/Agenda Committee, referred Senators to the Board of Governor's Presidential Review Protocol ([http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/board/presidential\\_review.pdf](http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/board/presidential_review.pdf)) and the Appointment Procedures for Senior Academic and Administrative Officers of the University (<http://www.uwo.ca/univsec/pdf/board/apptproc.pdf>).

The University Secretary advised that the Board will meet on November 23 and will communicate any updates afterwards. Responding to a question about the nomination process for the Senate-elected positions on the Selection Committee for the President, M. Milde said that the normal process will occur. The Senate Nominating Committee will present a slate of 5 names to Senate for approval. The President's term ends June 30, 2019 which allows time for the proper processes to occur.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

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A. Chakma  
Chair

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K. Kwan  
Secretary