



The UNIVERSITY of WESTERN ONTARIO

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SENATE

March 19, 2010

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

SENATORS: 69

I. Ajiferuke	C. Gobert	M. Milde
T. Baerg	R. Graham	L. Miller
A. Barnfield	S. Greenberg	M. Naish
J. Barron	A. Gupta	B. Neff
J. Berge	H. Hassan	R. Park
M. Blagrave	T. Hewitt	H. Perinpanayagam
S. Brennan	M. Houde	J. Polgar
C. Burns	B. Hovius	R. Rajakumar
N. Caldwell	A. Hrymak	G. Rowe
T. Carmichael	M. Hyland	P. Searle
A. Chakma	J.Y. Jiang	C. Shah
A. Chant	M. Johnson	S. Sims
J. Corrigan	M. Jones	S. Spaulding
R. Coulter	C. Keep	C. Stephenson
W. Danaher	G. Kopp	J. Toswell
J. Doerksen	S. Lofts	D. Ulbrych
W. Dunn	F. Longstaffe	K. Veblen
C. Ellis	H. Luckman	K. Wamsley
J. Etherington	R. Lumpkin	D. Wardlaw
C. Farber	S. Macfie	C. Wilkins
K. Galil	R. Macmillan	B. Wood
J. Garnett	P. McKenzie	R. Young
J. Gautier	J. McMullin	P. Yu

Observers: L. Gribbon, G. Tigert

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MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting of February 26, 2010 were approved with the inclusion of the following amendment to *S.10-33: Preliminary Budget Recommendations for Faculties 2010 - 2011*: add the University of Waterloo to the list of comparator universities contained in the last bullet found on page 4.

S.10-37

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

The President reported on issues related to the Federal Budget, the Provincial Throne Speech and the agreement for the Advanced Manufacturing Park. Overhead slides used to highlight his presentation are attached as [Appendix 1](#).

REPORT OF THE OPERATIONS/AGENDA COMMITTEE [Exhibit I]

S.10-38 **Appointment of Chancellor for Western's Hong Kong Convocation - May 16, 2010** [S.09-173]

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

That Senate authorize Dr. Brian Timney to replace Dr. Ted Hewitt, Vice-President (Research & International Relations), who was approved September 2009, to perform the duties of Chancellor at Western Hong Kong Convocation scheduled for May 16, 2010.

CARRIED

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

S.10-39 **Faculty of Arts and Humanities: Major in Museum and Curatorial Studies**

It was moved by J. Jiang, seconded by M. Milde,

That a Major in Museum and Curatorial Studies, detailed in Exhibit II, item 1, be introduced in the Faculty of Arts and Humanities, effective September 1, 2009.

CARRIED

S.10-40 **Faculty of Health Sciences: Faculty of Nursing: Changes to the Admission Requirements for Applicants from Diploma and Degree Nursing Programs Category; Changes to the Progression Requirements for the Western-Fanshawe Collaborative BScN Program**

S.10-40a **Changes to the Admission Requirements for Applicants from Diploma and Degree Nursing Programs Category**

It was moved by J. Toswell, seconded by A. Gupta,

That effective for the 2011-2012 application cycle, all applicants who have attended a nursing diploma or degree program, the completion of which would result in the graduate's eligibility to write the Canadian Registered Nurse Examination (or equivalent) in order to qualify for registration to practice as a Registered Nurse, must meet the admission requirements outlined in Exhibit II, item 2a.

CARRIED

S.10-40b **Changes to the Progression Requirements for the Western-Fanshawe Collaborative BScN Program**

It was moved by J. Toswell, seconded by A. Gupta,

That effective September 1, 2010, the program outline for the Western-Fanshawe Collaborative BScN Program be revised as outlined in Exhibit II, item 2b.

CARRIED

S.10-41 **Faculty of Social Science and Richard Iviey School of Business: Combined Honors Degree Program in Political Science and Business Administration**

It was moved by C. Stephenson, seconded by M. Milde,

That a new combined Honors Degree program in Political Science and Business Administration, detailed in Exhibit II, item 3, be introduced by the Faculty of Social Science

and the Richard Ivey School of Business, effective September 1, 2010.

CARRIED

S.10-42 **Faculty of Social Science: Revision to the Honors Specialization in Developmental Cognitive Neuroscience Module (Psychology)**

It was moved by J. McMullin, seconded by L. Miller,

That effective September 1, 2010, the entrance, progression, and course requirements of the Honors Specialization in Developmental Cognitive Neuroscience Module be revised as set out in Exhibit II, item 4.

CARRIED

S.10-43 **Huron University College: Honors Specialization in Psychology - BA**

It was moved by D. Ulbrych, seconded by R. Lumpkin,

That effective September 1, 2010, the entrance requirement to the Honors Specialization in Psychology at Huron University College, and the progression requirements within the module, be increased from 70% to 75%.

CARRIED

S.10-44 **King's University College: Revision to the Honors Specialization in Psychology; Withdrawal of Minor in Population Studies**

S.10-44a **Revision to the Honors Specialization in Psychology**

It was moved by S. Lofts, seconded by R. Woods,

That the admission and progression requirements for the Honors Specialization in Psychology be revised at King's University College, effective September 1, 2010.

CARRIED

S.10-44b **Withdrawal of Minor in Population Studies**

It was moved by S. Lofts, seconded by S. Sims,

That effective September 1, 2010, admission to the Minor in Population Studies be discontinued at King's University College,

that students enrolled in the module prior to September 1, 2010, be permitted to continue with the understanding that they must complete the requirements prior to September 2014, and,

that effective November 1, 2014, the module be withdrawn and all registration discontinued.

CARRIED

S.10-45 **School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies: Master of Legal Studies (MLS)**

It was moved by R. Graham, seconded by L. Miller,

That, pending OCGS approval, a Master of Legal Studies (MLS) be introduced in the School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, effective September 1, 2010.

CARRIED

S.10-46 **School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies: Master of Health Information Science (MHIS) and PhD in Health Information Science**

It was moved by K. Wamsley, seconded by M. Milde,

That effective September 1, 2010, a Master of Health Information Science (MHIS) and a PhD in Health Information Science be introduced in the School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, pending final approval by OCGS.

CARRIED

S.10-47 **Excellence in Teaching Award Winners for 2009-2010**

The Subcommittee on Teaching Awards has chosen the following members of faculty as recipients of Western's Excellence in Teaching Awards for 2009-2010:

The Edward G. Pleva Award for Excellence in Teaching

Joyce Bruhn De Garavito, Modern Languages and Literatures, Faculty of Arts and Humanities
Andrew Krahn, Medicine, Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry
Kathy Obright, Physical Therapy, Faculty of Health Sciences

The Angela Armitt Award for Excellence in Teaching by Part-time Faculty

David L. Watson, Faculty of Education

The Marilyn Robinson Award for Excellence in Teaching

Faisal Rehman, Medicine, Schulich School of Medicine & Dentistry
Christine Sprengler, Visual Arts, Faculty of Arts and Humanities

S.10-48 **New Scholarships and Awards**

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

Reader's Digest Foundation Journalism Entrance Scholarship (School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, Journalism)
Hydro One Graduate Scholarships (School of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies, Engineering)
Lieutenant Colonel David A. Quick, CD, P.Eng Award (Faculty of Engineering)
Tornado Insulation Women's Hockey Awards (Any Undergraduate, Graduate or Affiliated College Student - Athletic Award [Hockey])

S.10-49 **ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNICATIONS** [Exhibit III]

Announcements & Communications, detailed in Exhibit III, was received for information.

ENQUIRIES

S.10-50 **Anne Coulter - Guest Speaker**

Responding to Mr. Chant's concerns about the speaking engagement of controversial commentator Ann Coulter, Dr. Chakma said that universities are places for debate, controversial or not. Ms. Coulter was invited by the University Students Council. Individuals have the choice of attending her seminar or not.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

A. Chakma
Chair

E. Hegedues
Secretary

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**President's Report
Environmental Scan**
March 19 2010



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Federal Budget: Key Points

- No cuts to transfer payments
- Increased investment in R&D and Innovation



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Federal Budget

- \$32 million for granting councils (CIHR \$16 million, NSERC \$13 million, SSHRC \$3 million)
- \$8 million for full cost of research
- 140 Post Doctoral Fellowships @ \$70,000 per Fellow. Total cost \$45 million over 5 years
- \$75 million for Genome Canada
- \$8 million over two years for the International Science and Technology Partnership



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Federal Budget

- \$222 million over 5 years to support TRIUMF
- \$48 million over two years for medical isotopes R&D and application
- \$497 million for RADARSAT Constellation Mission
- \$100 million over four years to establish the Next Generation Renewable Power Initiative in the forestry sector



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Federal Budget

- \$15 million for College and Community Innovation program
- \$135 million for two years to NRC for its regional cluster program
- \$40 million for Small and Medium Enterprise Innovation Commercialization Program



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Federal Budget: Recent Trends

- Increasing support for targeted programs
- Policy direction tilted towards reaping economic benefits
- A growing tendency to fund students directly (PDF Program, Vanier Scholarships etc)



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Questions for Us

- How do we ensure that we increase our share of the incremental investment by the federal government?
- How do we position ourselves so that we can get a large number of post doctoral fellows at Western?



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Provincial Throne Speech

- PSE participation rate to increase from 62% to 70% requiring over 120,000 spaces
- 20,000 spaces to be added this year
- International student body to grow by 50% from the current level of 37,000 to 55,000
- Establishment of an Online Institute



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Provincial Throne Speech

- An emphasis on water



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Questions for Us

- How do we position Western with respect to the stated public policy of undergraduate expansion?
- What should we be doing with respect to the Provincial Online Learning Institute?
- How aggressive should we be in expanding our international student body at the undergraduate level?



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Questions for Us

- What should we be doing in the area of Water?



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Local Scene

- Agreement for the Advanced Manufacturing Park approved by City Council on March 8th

