



The UNIVERSITY of WESTERN ONTARIO

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

November 27, 2008

The meeting was held at 1:00 p.m. in Room 330, Stevenson-Lawson Building.

PRESENT: Ms. M. Noble, Chair
Ms. I. Birrell, Secretary

Mr. F. Angeletti
Mr. J. Berge
Mr. S. Coxford
Dr. P. Davenport
Mr. T. Garrard
Mr. T. Gosnell
Ms. L. Gribbon
Ms. S. Grindrod
Dr. T. Hewitt
Mr. H. Kelly
Mr. J. Knowles
Ms. G. Kulczycki

Dr. F. Longstaffe
Ms. K. Meighen
Dr. L. Miller
Ms. J. Moss
Mr. J. Nash
Mr. C. Sinal
Dr. S. Singh
Ms. J. Vanderheyden
Dr. J. White
Mr. R. Wong
Mr. K. Zerebecki

By Invitation: R. Chelladurai, H. Connell, R. Langille, L. Logan

BG.08-124 **REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT**

The President's Report consisted of the following items: Fall Preview Day 2008, Ivey Hong Kong 10th Anniversary Celebrations, Recent Western Successes in Research, future enrolments and Western's mission and activities of the President during the months of October and November 2008. Overhead slides used to highlight his presentation are attached as [Appendix 1](#).

BG.08-125 **"Voices of Diversity"**

The Chair urged members to view the video "*Voices of Diversity: Creating a culture of safety, respect and belonging on campus*" distributed with the agenda package. The video, produced by Kem Murch Productions Inc., is a collection of stories and insights that examine discrimination, intolerance and safety issues at a Canadian university or college.

BG.08-126 **UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGENDA** [Appendix I]

It was moved by S. Grindrod, seconded by J. White,

That the thirteen items listed in Appendix I, excluding item 6. Revisions to Policy on Gift Valuation (MAPP 2.28) and item 8. Amendment to Western Fund Terms of Reference, be approved and/or received for information by the Board of Governors by unanimous consent.

CARRIED

BG.08-127 **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes from the open session of the meeting of September 30, 2008 were approved as circulated.

REPORT OF THE PROPERTY & FINANCE COMMITTEE [Appendix II]

BG.08-128 **Financial Update: Operating Budget Update and Planning Process for 2009-10 and 2010-11**

Ms. Kulczycki provided a financial update including the economic context and the operating budget and planning processes for 2009-10 and 2010-11. Overhead slides used to highlight the presentation are attached as [Appendix 2](#).

BG.08-129 **Information Items Reported by the Property & Finance Committee**

The Report of the Property & Finance Committee contained the following items that were received for information by unanimous consent:

- Faculty of Law Field Trip Fee
- MBA '80 Professorship in Entrepreneurship
- Scholarships/Awards/Prizes

SENIOR OPERATIONS COMMITTEE [Appendix III]

BG.08-130 **Review of the Code of Student Conduct**

It was moved by J. White, seconded by F. Angeletti,

That the Board of Governors approve that the following committee be struck to review the Code of Student Conduct:

A Dean or Associate Dean appointed by the President (Chair)
Vice-Provost (Academic Programs & Students) [Registrar] (or designate)
Associate Vice-President (Housing & Ancillary Services) (or designate)
Chair, University Discipline Appeals Committee (or designate)
President of the University Students' Council (or designate)
President of the Society of Graduate Students (or designate)
University Legal Counsel
Associate Secretary of the Board of Governors

That the Review Committee report to the Board of Governors at its April 30, 2009 meeting.

CARRIED

The Secretary reported that Dean Brian Timney, Faculty of Social Science, had agreed to chair the review committee.

BG.08-131 **Annual Report on the Code of Student Conduct**

The Board received for information the Annual Report on the Code of Student Conduct detailed in Appendix III, Annex 1.

DEVELOPMENT & FUND RAISING COMMITTEE [Appendix IV]

BG.08-132 **Year End Results 2007-2008**

Mr. Garrard reported that as of April 30, 2008 the new gifts and pledges to the University totaled approximately \$62 million against the target of \$60 million.

To date confirmed new commitments amount to \$40 million against the \$60 million target with five months remaining for fund raising activities. Mr. Garrard noted that the fund raising world is very different due to the economic downturn and adjustments have been made to some fund raising targets until financial conditions improve. Western remains committed to the \$500 million target set for the new campaign, which runs between 2007 and 2014.

BG.08-133 **Revision to MAPP 2.28 Gift Valuation**

Revision to MAPP 2.28 Gift Valuation, item 1 of the report, was withdrawn from the agenda.

BG.08-134 **Revisions to The Western Fund Terms of Reference**

Revisions to The Western Fund Terms of Reference was withdrawn from the agenda.

BG.08-135 **Information Items Reported by the Development & Fund Raising Committee**

The Report of the Development & Fund Raising Committee contained the following items that were received for information by unanimous consent:

- MAPP 2.27: Policy on Issuing Charitable Receipts to Fund Raising Events
- Year to Date Results as of October 31, 2008

AUDIT COMMITTEE [Appendix V]

BG.08-136 **Equity & Human Rights Services - Annual Report (May 2007 - April 2008)**

The Board was advised that the Annual Report of Equity & Human Rights Services (May 2007 - April 2008) is available at http://www.uwo.ca/equity/docs/ES_report_2008.pdf

ITEMS REFERRED BY SENATE [Appendix VI]

BG.08-137 **Appointment Procedures for Senior Academic and Administrative Officers of the University**

BG.08-137a **Amendment to Section M - Deans of Faculties**

It was moved by S. Grindrod, seconded by J. White,

That Section M.(e) of the Appointment Procedures for Senior Academic and Administrative Officers of the University be amended as follows:

- for Business, two members of the Ivey Advisory Board, named by the Advisory Board;
- for Law, one member of the Law Alumni Association, named by the Association.

CARRIED BY Unanimous Consent

BG.08-137b **Amendment to Section P - University Librarian**

Western's Mission and




Ontario Population Age 18 – 24 Projection



Source: Ontario






Economic Context, Operating Budget
Update, and Planning Process for
2009/10 and 2010/11

Board of Governors

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What is Likely to Happen with PSE in the Next Provincial Budget?

- All Ministries, including MTCU, will have to pull back on planned spending.
- It is unlikely that we will see investments in capital projects and facilities renewal.
- It is unlikely that graduate expansion will be at risk.
- Scheduled improvement in clinical education funding may be at risk of delay or reduction.
- There are currently certain funding envelopes in MTCU, e.g. skills development and student aid, that are undersubscribed.



Our Own Budget: Context/Background

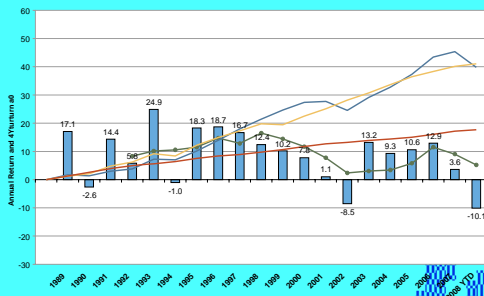
- We are currently in year 2 of our 4 year plan
- Revenue assumptions

Impact to Major Capital Projects

- Project to modernize Physics & Astronomy **ON HOLD**
- Renovations to Stevenson-Lawson building and University Community Centre - both approved at October Property & Finance Committee meeting **MUST PROCEED**

Our Endowments

- The downturn in equity markets has also had a direct impact on our endowments
- Current year (08/09) planned payouts at 4.5% have already been made
- “Under water” status at Nov. 21: \$22.8M
- We are examining options to deal with this



Planning Process for 09/10 and 10/11

- Transfer to capital of \$4.5M in 09/10 withdrawn
 - This adjustment, combined with no transfer to capital in 08/09, and adjusted fundraising