

# The UNIVERSITY of WESTERN ONTARIO

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SENATE

# December 10, 2004

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

SENATORS: 76

T. Adams M-A. Andrusyszyn N. Badeen I. Baruss F. Berruti D. Bhui M. Broadfoot C. Brown E. Cairns S. Camiletti M. Carroll P. Chan T. Chang N. Crowther K. Danylchuk P. Davenport P. Dean B. Diemert R. Dix F. Dolan C. Dudgeon N. Dyer-Witheford N. Ecclestone C. Essex J. Etherington C. Farber

J. Garnett T. Garrard S. Gonsalves T. Gorski V. Granic R. Harris S. Hatibovic-Kofman N. Heapy T. Hewitt S. Hill C. Jones G. Killan R. Klassen D. Kneale M. Kreiswirth G. Kulczycki D. Laird F. Longstaffe R. Lumpkin L. McKechnie K. McRae M. Milde L. Miller V. Miransky S. Munshi

G. Moran

B. Morrison
J. Nash
A. Pearson
R. Robertson
M. Rubin
A. Sells
R. Semmens
S. Singh
T. Sumsion
A. Tarvit
J. Tennant
B. Timney

# **REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT**

#### S.04-223 Update on the Rae Review

Dr. Davenport provided an update on the Rae Postsecondary Review. The recent Town Hall meeting with Mr. Rae included representatives from Fanshawe College, Western and the general public. Issues discussed included tuition, student aid, expansion of graduate programs, the need for more resources for colleges and universities and the need for greater collaboration between the colleges and universities. It is anticipated that Mr. Rae's report will be released early February 2005 with the

### S.04-228 Terms of Reference and Composition of the Animal Use Subcommittee

It was moved by A. Pearson, seconded by M. Wilson,

That Senate approve revisions to the Terms of Reference and Composition of the Animal Use Subcommittee, as shown in Exhibit I, Appendix 3.

CARRIED

# **NOMINATING COMMITTEE** [Exhibit II]

#### S.04-229 Senate Review Board Academic (SRBA)

C. Dudgeon, J. Hendry, M. Mendelsohn, and L. Williams were elected to SRBA by mail ballot (terms to November 2005).

#### S.04-230 Senate Committee on Academic Policy and Awards (SCAPA)

M. Witen was elected to SCAPA by mail ballot (term from January 1 to December 31, 2005).

#### S.04-231 Selection Committee - Dean of the Faculty of Science

W. Flintoff, D. Shrubsole and E. Yanful were elected by mail ballot to the Selection Committee - Dean of the Faculty of Science.

#### S.04-232 Selection Committee - Dean of the Don Wright Faculty of Music

C. Beynon, P. Mahon, and C. Ross were elected by mail ballot to the Selection Committee - Dean of the Don Wright Faculty of Music.

# ACADEMIC POLICY AND AWARDS [Exhibit III]

# S.04-233 Undergraduate Sessional Dates

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

That Senate approve the undergraduate sessional dates for 2006, and the sessional dates in Dentistry, Education, Law, and Medicine for 2005-06, as outlined in Exhibit III, Appendix 1.

#### CARRIED

# S.04-234 New Modules

S.04-234a <u>Honors Specialization in Medical Biophysics (Medical Science Concentration) offered by the</u> Faculties of Medicine & Dentistry and Science

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by F. Dolan,

That the "Honors Specialization in Medical Biophysics" be renamed "Honors Specialization in Medical Biophysics (Medical Science Concentration)", as detailed in Exhibit III, item 2a, effective December 1, 2004.

#### CARRIED

#### S.04-234b Major in Criminology offered by the Faculty of Social Science and King's University College

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

That a Major in Criminology detailed in Exhibit III, item 2b, be introduced by the Faculty of Social Science and King's University College, effective September 1, 2005.

#### CARRIED

#### S.04-234c Minor in Thanatology offered by King's University College

It was moved by B. Timney, seconded by G. Killan,

That a Minor in Thanatology, detailed in Exhibit III, item 2c, be introduced at King's University College, effective September 1, 2005.

#### CARRIED

# S.04-235 Faculty of Health Sciences: School of Communication Sciences and Disorders Admission Requirements

The Chair announced that at the request of the Faculty of Health Sciences, consideration of the item regarding the School of Communication Sciences and Disorders Admission Requirements will be withdrawn pending further consultation between the Faculty of Graduate Studies and the School of Communication Sciences and Disorders.

#### S.04-236 Annual Report of the Provost's Undergraduate Program Review Committee

Senate received for information the Report of the Provost's Undergraduate Program Review Committee (PRC), detailed in Exhibit III, Appendix 2.

#### S.04-237 2003-2004 Report on Scholastic Offences

Included in the regulations on Scholastic Discipline (S.03-77a) approved by Senate on April 11, 2003, is the requirement that:

"Each Faculty shall submit to the Vice-Provost & Registrar an annual summary of scholastic offences committed by students registered in the Faculty. The summary will set out the nature of the offence and the penalties, with students' names removed. The Vice-Provost & Registrar will compile the information, by Faculty, and report annually to the Senate Committee on Academic Policy and Awards which will forward the report to Senate for information."

Senate received for information the 2003-2004 Report on Scholastic Offences, covering the period from November 15, 2003, to June 30, 2004, detailed in Exhibit III, Appendix 3.

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# S.04-238 Western's Course Numbering System

The Chair reported that SCAPA created an ad hoc Subcommittee to re

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equivalent to Senate, accepted the norms and ordinances, and sees no threat to academic freedom.

Professor Carroll's second question related to the requirement that the number of non-Catholics should not be the majority of the teaching staff. Dr. Killan stated that King's long standing practice is that a significant number of professors must be Catholic. New hires are not asked about their religion. Advertisements for positions are written to clearly indicate that King's is a Catholic college and that preference will be given to those whose research and writing is within the Catholic intellectual tradition. These advertisements send a signal to those who apply that King's is a Catholic college which results in self-selection. New hires who are Catholic are informed about the *Ex Corde Ecclesiae* document and non-Catholic hires are asked to respect the traditions of the Catholic church.

Professor Carroll asked if Western examined the document vis-à-vis the Affiliation Agreement