

# **ACADEMIC COUNCIL**

# MINUTES MEETING OF MAY 15, 2012

#### Present:

R. Marceau (Acting Chair) B. Gamble P. Ritchie N. Ammar M. Green D. Saucier A. Barari J. Greenlaw H. Scott G. Bereznai R. Hinch T. Sidhu K. Smimou J. Bradbury J. Hughes B. Campbell H. Jones-Taggart M. Wideman V. Choy H. Kishawy O. Petrie, Secretary M. DiGiuseppe S. Lauricella

M. Eklund

B. Muirhead

R. El-Emam

F. Qureshi

P. Yielder

# Regrets:

N. Al-Sadi C. Elliot P. Shah P. Beatty R. Machrafi E. Vogel

P. Drayson T. McTiernan M. West-Moynes

J. Friedlan M. Owen

#### 1. CHAIR'S REMARKS

Dr. Marceau conveyed Dr. McTiernan's regrets that he was unable to attend the meeting

# 2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF APRIL 17, 2012

The minutes were approved as presented.

# 3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the Minutes.

# 4. INQUIRIES AND COMMUNICATIONS

There were no inquiries or communications.

#### 5. PROVOST'S REMARKS

Dr. Marceau noted several items for information:

- The decanal team will be changing over the next academic year, in particular:
  - Dr. Suzanne de Castell will be replacing Dr. Jim Greenlaw as dean of the Faculty of Education
  - Dr. Ellen Vogel will continue as dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences

- Dr. Nawal Ammar has been renewed as dean of the Faculty of Social Science but has opted to take a year's research leave prior to the start of her second term. In the interim, Dr. Shahid Alvi will serve as acting dean
- Dr. Brian Campbell will be taking a six-month research leave from July 1-December 31, and Dr. Ed Waller will serve as acting of Graduate Studies in the interim
- A search is underway to replace Dr. George Bereznai who will be stepping down as dean in the Faculty of Energy Systems and Nuclear Science
- Dr. Greg Naterer has been appointed dean of engineering at the Memorial University in Newfoundland
- This year's convocation ceremonies will be held on June 8, where honorary degrees will be conferred on Mr. Tom Mitchell, Mr. Laura Formusa, and Mr. Ken Shaw
- A warm thank you was extended to all members of Academic Council who have contributed to the strategic planning process, and especially to the development of such thoughtful and insightful unit plans. He noted that his office is now in the process of renewing the plans with the leadership team and looking to identify synergies across the units and developing a series of university wide initiatives thoughtfully and strategic planning process within their Faculties. He will continue to keep Council updated on the progress
- The budget presentation will need to be moved to a different date as the Chief Financial Officer will be out of town on that date. The secretary will follow up to schedule a new date for this presentation
- An eight page supplement entitled: "Canada: Winning as a Sustainable Energy Superpower" will be published in the Globe and Mail on May 25<sup>th</sup>. This supplement will showcase Dr. Marceau's work over the past 18 months and the launch of a book by the same title.

#### 6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### **6.1 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

1. Ad Hoc Committee on Faculty Structures – Terms of Reference and Membership

MOTION DEFEATED That Academic Council approved the terms of reference and membership of the Ad Hoc Committee on Faculty Structures, as follows (amended):

## Mission

The mission of the Academic Council Ad Hoc Committee on Faculty Structure is to develop a common vocabulary for describing administrative positions within a faculty and a common way of documenting this structure. The committee will not define the positions themselves, but will provide a mechanism for describing them in a common way that can be understood by the whole university community. The end result of the committee's work will be a report and a set of motions to be presented to Academic Council sometime in the 2012/2013 academic year.

## Membership

The membership of the Academic Council Ad Hoc Committee on Faculty Structure will be:

- One member drawn from senior administration (Associate Provost and above) appointed by the Provost
- Two deans selected by the deans
- Three faculty members from, and elected by Academic Council
- Two faculty members from, and elected by all faculty members of the university, exclusive of Academic Council

• Two support staff members elected by support staff

The membership of the committee should include at least one representative from each faculty (if possible) and will have no more than two representatives from any one faculty.

#### 6.2 ADMISSIONS AND SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Ms. Choy noted for information approval of the terms of reference for the FIRST Robotics Scholarship.

#### 7. REGISTRAR'S REPORT

# 7.1 Conferral of Degrees for the June 2012 Convocation Ceremonies

MOTION CARRIED That Academic Council authorize the granting of degrees at the University's convocation on June 8, 2012 to those students who have fulfilled all degree program requirements at the end of the 2012 winter semester and who have been recommended for graduation by their Faculty; and those students who, pending submission of incomplete grades or payment of outstanding financial obligations, will fulfill the degree program requirements and receive a recommendation for graduation from their Faculty between the date of this meeting of Academic Council and Convocation on June 8, 2012, for the following degrees:

Doctor of PhilosophyBachelor of ArtsMaster of Applied ScienceBachelor of CommerceMaster of ArtsBachelor of EducationMaster of Business AdministrationBachelor of EngineeringMaster of EducationBachelor of Engineering and

Master of Engineering Management

Master of Health Science Bachelor of Health Science

Master of Information Technology Bachelor of Information Technology

Security Bachelor of Science

Master of Science (Coop)

Graduate Diploma in Nuclear Engineering Bachelor of Science and Management

Bachelor of Allied Health Sciences Bachelor of Science in Nursing

## 8. COU ACADEMIC COLLEAGUE REPORT

Dr. Green provided an update on recent initiatives at the Council of Ontario Universities, including presentations on graduate growth and research funding.

## 9. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.						
Oliv	ia Petrie. Secretary					