UNIVERSITY OF ONTARIO INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY MINUTES OF THE 53rd REGULAR MEETING (PUBLIC SESSION) OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Date:	October 25, 2008	Place:	Annual Boards' Retreat
Time:	8:00 a.m.		Delta Sherwood Resort
			Port Carling, Ontario

IN ATTENDANCE:

GOVERNORS:	Peter Dixon, Chair Peter Williams, Vice-Chair Michael Angemeer Peter Berg Eric Dillane Aileen Fletcher Pansy Goodman Michael Martin Doug McKay Peter McLaughlin Greg Rohrauer Larry Seeley Gerry Warman Franklin Wu Kimberley Young
PRESIDENT:	Ron Bordessa
PARTICIPANTS:	Rhonda Christian Garry Cubitt Karen Hodgins Don Lovisa, President, Durham College Michael Newell Nicole Schoep Darrell Sewell Mary E. Simpson Judy Spring
SECRETARY:	Erin Mitchell
SENIOR STAFF:	Ralph Aprile, DC-UOIT Tom Austin, UOIT David Chambers, DC-UOIT Margaret Greenley, DC-UOIT Donna MacFarlane, DC-UOIT Richard Marceau, UOIT Ann Mars, UOIT Brian Marshall, UOIT Matt Milovick, UOIT Gerry Pinkney, DC-UOIT Judy Rigby, UOIT Ken Robb, Durham College Judy Robinson, Durham College

GUESTS:

MaryLynn West-Moynes (pending appointment to UOIT) Bobbi-Jean White, KPMG Janne Corneil, Sasaki Associates Daniel Kenney, Sasaki Associates Philip Perlin, Sasaki Associates Bruce Bunker, DC-UOIT

REGRETS:

GOVERNORS:

Dave Broadbent Allan Furlong Bill Robinson Ann Stapleford-McGuire

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:32 a.m.

The Chair, in conjunction with the Durham College Board Chair, Aileen Fletcher, welcomed everyone to the retreat and the first joint meeting of UOIT and Durham College for the year 2008-09.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The Chair introduced representatives from Sasaki Associates and Bruce Bunker, Director of Space and Scheduling Logistics, DC-UOIT.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

None were noted.

CAMPUS MASTER PLAN UPDATE

The Chair, in conjunction with the Durham College Chair, called upon Franklin Wu, Chair of the Campus Master Plan Steering Committee, to introduce representatives from Sasaki Associates and Bruce Bunker and provide an overview of the mandate of the Campus Master Plan Steering Committee.

Sasaki Associates presented a comprehensive overview of space planning and logistics, as well as feedback from stakeholders, which formed the basis for how the project would move forward.

It was noted that it was important to ensure that the campus was pedestrian focused with the parking lots removed from the campus core, as enhanced learning space and green space were critical issues for the future of the campus.

Sasaki Associates indicated that it would be working closely with the Campus Master Plan Steering Committee through to mid-December with a further presentation to come forward at the next joint meeting of the two boards, scheduled for February of 2009. They further advised that it was hoped to commence public meetings in early December.

The Board recessed at 10:25 a.m. Sasaki Associates and Bruce Bunker left the meeting at this time

Bobbi-jean White, KPMG, joined the meeting at this time

2007-08 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Aileen Fletcher, Chair of the Audit and Finance Committee introduced a report and accompanying draft financial statements for the year 2007-08 for the Board's consideration and approval. She highlighted a number of proposed amendments to the audited financial statements as set out in the report from the Audit and Finance Committee to the Board.

MOTION Moved by Aileen Fletcher Seconded by Peter McLaughlin,

"That the UOIT Board of Governors receive the 2007-08 Management Letter and Auditors' Findings for information;

AND FURTHER, that the UOIT Board of Governors approve the 2007-08 audited financial statements as amended."

CARRIED

CAMPUS ACCESSIBILITY PLAN

Margaret Greenley, Vice-President of Student Affairs, presented a draft of the Campus Accessibility Plan for 2008-09 for the Boards' review and approval.

She reported that the 2008/09 Accessibility Plan addresses the following areas:

- 1. Raising awareness of "invisible" disabilities; identifying and removing classroom and campus barriers that may impede the social and learning success of individuals with these frequently misunderstood disabilities; and
- 2. Conducting a campus-wide investigation pertaining to the requirements and scope of work to be done to comply with Customer Service Standards of the AODA; developing training programs and project timelines to meet full compliance by January 2010.

Concern was raised over the name "Disabilities Centre" and whether there might not be a more positive name. Vice-President Greenley agreed to take the concerns under consideration.

The Board commended Vice-President Greenley and her student services team for their on-going dedication and commitment to accessibility on campus.

MOTION Moved by Michael Angemeer Seconded by Eric Dillane

"that the UOIT Board of Governors approve the 2008-09 Campus Accessibility Plan as presented."

CARRIED

UPDATE ON ACADEMIC COLLABORATION

Richard Marceau, Provost for UOIT and Judy Robinson, Acting Vice-President Academic for Durham College presented an update on academic collaboration between Durham College and UOIT.

It was reported that a number of pathways are currently active:

- College to University
 - Embedded Bridge program for DC graduates to UOIT BComm;
 - Bridge program for College graduates to UOIT BComm ;
 - Bridge program for College graduates to UOIT BA Criminology;
 - Post-RN to BScN Pathway;
 - Post-RPN to BScN Pathway; and

- Bachelor of Allied Health Sciences (Degree completion);
- University to College:
 - Pharmaceutical and Food Science Technology Fast Track Option; and
 - Biotechnology Technologist Fast Track Option .

The following was noted as recent development activity:

- DC/UOIT Deans have met twice over the past 6 weeks and have proposed 7 new projects but funding is an issue
- DC/UOIT was drafting a response to the CO-COU taskforce positioning us as an exemplar for student pathways through our innovation, student focus, and cost effective delivery
- Joint proposal to MTCU for funding to support these initiatives has been sidelined because of economic downturn
- Institutions will now assess which initiatives can move forward without additional MTCU support
- Pathways remain strategic priorities for both institutions

The overall goal is to make the DC-UOIT campus the "campus of choice" for all students. UOIT President Bordessa cautioned that the university is still in start-up mode and there is a limit to what can be accomplished at this point in time.

The Board suggested potential partnerships between Durham College and UOIT with Professional Associations for degree/credential programs.

DISPOSITION OF OFF-SITE PARKING LOT IMMEDIATELY SOUTH OF OSHAWA CAMPUS

President Bordessa presented a report jointly authored with Durham College President Lovisa requesting authorization from the Board of Governors to empower the two presidents to work together to come to a resolution for the disposition of the parcel of land currently known as the off campus parking lot located at 1720/1726/1730 Simcoe Street North, Oshawa, Ontario which would be in the best interests of the two institutions.

Concerns were expressed over the applicability of the tenants in common agreement as approved by the two Boards of Governors on June 26, 2008, given that the transfer of title has not been legally enacted given certain provisions set out by resolution at that meeting. The two Boards of Governors concluded that the principles of the tenants in common agreement, while not legally enacted, should still prevail.

President Bordessa stated that it would be prudent for the two boards to direct the presidents to consider next steps and determine a resolution which would be in the best interests of both parties. He stated that it is still in question as to whether it is the best thing to proceed with the sale of the land and hence the need for the two presidents to review the matter and determine the most appropriate disposition of the land.

The president was questioned as to whether UOIT would assist in the payment of the mortgage on this property in the interim and President Bordessa clarified that this parcel of land is no different from other parcels which are currently mortgage, that being the huge liability which UOIT faces for certain properties which Durham College currently "owns" but does not have carriage of payment of the liability.

MOTION

Seconded by Franklin Wu

"That, contingent upon the Board of Governors of Durham College passing a consistent resolution delegating such authority, the UOIT Board of Governors empower the President of UOIT to work in conjunction with the President of Durham College to resolve matters relating to the parcel of land known as the off campus parking lot located at 1720/1726/1730 Simcoe Street North, Oshawa, Ontario in the best interests of UOIT and Durham College."

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was terminated at 12:32 p.m.

Peter Dixon, Board Chair

Karen Spearing, Board Secretary