

Date: Tuesday, May 26, 2015
Time: 4:00 pm – 5:30
Room: 203 Toldo

Members: Ms. Penny Allen, Mr. Jonathan Allison, Mr. Iftexhar Basith, Mr. Fraser Berrill (phone), Ms. Jodi Butts, Dr. Rajen Chetty, Dr. Gordon Drake, Mr. Peter Farmer (phone), Ms. Marilyn Farough, Mr. Norbert Hartmann, Ms. Jennifer Jones (phone), Mr. Werner Keller, Ms. Brenda King, Dr. Ed King, Mr. Shawn Kingsbury, Ms. Sheila MacKinnon (Chair), Mr. Tony Mancina, Rev. Paul McGill, Dr. Antonio Rossini, Dr. Mehrdad Saif, Mr. Jaydee Tarpeh, Dr. Alan Wildeman, Mr. William Willis, Mr. Bill Wright.

Regrets: Mr. Greg Aarssen, Mr. Vince Bassman, Mr. Dean Jacobs, Dr. Marlys Koschinsky, Ms. Pat Soulliere.

Administration and Guest Speakers: Ms. Sandra Aversa, Ms. Jane Boyd, Mr. Dave Butcher, Mr. John Coleman, Dr. Gerry Cooper, Ms. Gillian Heisz, Mrs. Anna Kirby, Dr. Douglas Kneale, Ms. Rita LaCivita, Ms. Susan Mark, Mr. John Osborne, Ms. Carol Perkes (Board Governance Officer), Ms. Renée Wintermute (University Secretary).

Declaration of conflict of interest: none reported.

1 Approval of the Agenda

MOTION: That the Agenda be approved.

Keller/Hartmann
CARRIED

2 Minutes of the meeting of April 28, 2015

MOTION: That the Minutes of the meeting of April 28, 2015 be approved.

Wright/McGill

NOTED:

- With regard to item 4.7.1, the University Secretary will confirm the number of individuals opposed to the motion and revise the minutes as appropriate.

CARRIED

3 Business arising from the minutes

Nothing to report.

4 Outstanding Business/New Business

4.1 Reports

4.1.1 Remarks from the Chair

NOTED:

- Mr. David Mady, Dr. Mehrdad Saif, Mr. Jaydee Tarpeh and Mr. Shawn Kingsbury were welcomed to their first official Board of Governors meeting.

4.1.2 President's Report

NOTED:

- The University of Windsor is among five Canadian universities named as the greenest in North America by the U.S.-based Princeton Review.
- It is anticipated that additional information on the provincial funding formula will be forthcoming over the summer or fall.

- Board members will be provided with a link to online training on the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA). The training is mandatory for all volunteers.
- Dr. Gerry Cooper, Associate Dean, Schulich School of Medicine provided an overview of Schulich Medicine – Windsor Program.

4.2 Audit Committee
Nothing to report.

4.3 Executive Committee
Nothing to report.

4.4 Governance Committee
Nothing to report.

4.5 Investment Committee
Nothing to report.

4.6 Pension Committee
Nothing to report.

4.7 Resource Allocation Committee

4.7.1 2015/16 Proposed Operating Budget, Laying the Foundation for UWindsor 2.0
(See document BG150526-4.7.1 for additional information.)

MOTION: That the Board of Governors approve the 2015/16 Operating Budget.

Willis/Chetty

NOTED:

- The operating revenue and expenditures are balanced in the 2015/16 Budget at \$254.4m. The budget includes \$3.1m in realignment. It also provides the foundation of UWindsor 2.0.
- Over the last eight years \$46.2m has been realigned.
- Enrolment statistics were provided.
- Government grants now make up 39.5% of the revenue with the remaining 58.5% coming from student academic fees.
- Details of how the budget is spent were graphed. Of special note, salaries, benefits and pension costs total \$194.4m, which equals 76% of the budget.
- All operating expenses for new buildings and development, which will be online in the next year have been incorporated in the 2015/16 Operating Budget.
- The University's contribution to the Faculty pension plan is \$13.4m and \$3.6m to the employee pension plan.
- The Strategic Priority Fund (SPF) was established in 2009/10 to support strategic priorities and since that time has provided \$2.0m in base funding and one-time investments of \$9.7m.
- Outside of the budget, the University receives \$25m annual research funding.
- A Strategic enrolment plan will be developed in 2015/16.
- The Strategic Priority Fund will be earmarked over the next 3 years for the hiring of up to 50 new faculty members (hires to start July 1st 2016).
- Full implementation of ABB (Activity Based Budgeting) will take place by 2017/18.
- Individual SPF proposals are ranked by the Dean of the relevant Faculty. Availability of alternate sources of funding is also considered. Any money left in the SPF at the end of the year can be used in future years. Faculties also have funds available for strategic investments. All successful submissions must fit the SPF criteria established for that year.
- It was noted that applicants to the SPF whose proposals were not approved should receive clear input on why their submissions were not approved.
- It was noted that the Endowment for Scholarships fund surpassed the \$100m mark this year.
- A question was raised with regard to declining applications to the University. It was noted that, other than schools in the Greater Toronto Area (GTA) and a few other schools, this is a

province-wide trend likely due to a declining population. The University has to find new ways to attract and retain students.

- Phase II of the Campus Transformation Plan is an initiative that will enable UWindsor 2.0.
- Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) System Transformations are systems that will support the students of the future, and a presentation will be forthcoming at the June Board of Governors meeting.
- It was acknowledged that the CAW building needs updating.
- In response to a question regarding declining residence applications, it was stated that Food Services and Residence Services have engaged in a study to determine ways to improve their customer base. A high proportion of UWindsor students are local and therefore do not require housing. Many of our residence buildings are outdated and there is a preference for the Alumni Hall style of residence.
- It was suggested that additional graduate student funding could attract more students. Administration will consult with Graduate Studies on this item.

CARRIED

4.7.2 Biology Building Renovation – Phase 3

(See document BG150526-4.7.2 for additional information.)

MOTION: That the Board of Governors approve that the University proceed to tender and award the Biology Building Renovation – Phase 3 construction contract to the most qualified bidder, provided the tender is within the total project cost of \$1.6m.

Willis/Quinsey

CARRIED

5 In Camera

An In Camera session was not required.

6 Adjournment

MOTION: That the meeting be adjourned.

Allen/Keller

CARRIED