#### UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

### **COLLEGE OF ELECTORS**

Minutes of the College of Electors meeting held on Wednesday, September 30, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, Simcoe Hall, at which the following were present:

Mr. R. Scott MacKendrick (UTAA - In the Chair)

Mr. Paul Malozewski (Vice-Chair)

Mr. Mike Amos (UTM)

Ms Fariba Anderson (Rotman)

Mr. James E. Appleyard (Trinity College)

Professor David Bernhardt (Victoria College)

Ms Mary Ellen Burns (St. Michael's College)

Ms Ann Clarke (UTSC)

Ms Sandra Margaret Comisarow (Nursing)

Dr. Perry Cooper (Medicine)

Mr. David Drew (KPE)

Mr. Stan Gasner (Engineering)

Mr. Kavijit Singh Gogia (OISE)

Ms Sana Halwani (Law)

Ms Marian D. Hebb (Victoria College)

Mr. Samuel J. Hirsch (Pharmacy)

Mr. David T. Jaeger (Music)

Ms Candice Jay (UTM)

Ms Layan Kutob (Engineering)

Mr. Aly-Khan Madhavji (UTM)\*

Dr. Ivan Owen McFarlane (Trinity)

**Regrets:** 

Ms. Monifa M. Colthurst (University College)

Mr. Kevin Golding (UTM)

Mr. Oliver Jerschow (University College)

Ms. Tracey King (OISE)

Ms. Christine Leduc (Forestry)

Ms Lindsay K. Shaddy (OISE)

Mr. Ed Hersh Shaul (Social Work)

Mr. Kenny Yu (UTSC)

Ms Krishana Michaud (Woodsworth College)

Mr. Robert A. Patrick (Innis College)

Dr. Peeter Poldre (Medicine)

Ms Lesley R. Riedstra (New College)

Mr. Peter A. Rogers (St. Michael's College)

Ms Margaret Shaw (PT/OT)

Mr. Igor Siljanovski (New College)

Ms J. Alison Stirling (Faculty of Information)

Ms Valerie Story (Victoria College)

Mr. Ho K Sung (University College)

Ms Joanne Thanos (Public Health)

Ms Elizabeth Trotter (Woodsworth College)

The Honourable Bryon Wilfert (UTSC)

Mr. Bing Young (Engineering)

**Secretariat:** 

Mr. Anwar Kazimi, Assistant Secretary of the

Governing Council

Mr. Patrick McNeill, Secretary

\*via teleconference

Guests: Ms Barbara Dick, Assistant Vice-President, Alumni Relations

# 1. Chair's Remarks

The Chair welcomed members and guests to the first College of Electors meeting for 2015-16.

The Chair noted that it was possible for members to join some of the meetings of the College by teleconference. However, that option would not be available for meetings when confidential agenda items were discussed.

Members then introduced themselves, stated the alumni group that they represented, and spoke of their involvement at the University.

### 2. Orientation

A three-part orientation was provided for members. Mr. Anwar Kazimi, Assistant Secretary of the Governing Council, spoke about governance at the University and the role of the College within University governance; Ms Barbara Dick, Assistant Vice-President, Alumni Relations, provided an overview of alumni relations at the University; The Chair and Vice-Chair outlined the specific functions of the College and the milestones for the coming year.

The Chair emphasized that each member of the College played an important role in governance throughout the year. The College represented all University alumni, not just constituent alumni, and it was responsible for considering the needs of the entire University. The Chair also stated that members were responsible for contributing to an increased awareness within the University community of the College, the Governing Council, and the work of alumni members of the Governing Council. Members were encouraged to provide regular updates about the work of the College to their constituent alumni associations.

The Chair briefly outlined his expectations for meetings of the College. He asked members to review meeting documentation prior to each meeting and that pre-meeting questions could be directed to the Chair or Secretary. He expressed the hope that meetings would be conducted in an atmosphere of respect, collegiality, and civility, and he encouraged members to freely participate in discussions. The Chair referred to the confidential nature of many of the matters discussed by the College, and he stated that such discussions must not be shared with non-members.

The Chair provided an update on the formation of an ad hoc working group to examine recruitment strategies and discuss issues of diversity. The Chair reported that he had met with the Chair of the Governing Council and the Secretary in June to discuss next steps. He had also met on several occasions during the summer with the UTAA Executive who had also initiated separate discussions on the matter of recruitment and candidate selection. The Chair stated that the representatives of the UTAA Executive would be a participant on the COE ad hoc working group.

The Chair noted that at the next meeting, the Chair of the Governing Council, the President of the University of Toronto, and the President of the University of Toronto Alumni Association would address the College regarding the attributes being sought for the three Alumni Governor seats that the College would elect in 2016.

On behalf of the College, the Chair thanked Ms Dick and Mr. Kazimi for their presentations.

## 3. Call for Nominations for the 2015-16 Nominating Committee for Alumni Governors

The Chair explained that one of the College's standing committees was the Nominating Committee for Alumni Governors (NC-AG), which comprised of the 5 members of the

Executive Committee and three members elected annually by and from among the College. The functions of the NC-AG included the assessment of potential alumni governors relative to existing or projected needs within governance, in consultation with the College; interviewing the candidates; and providing the College with a list and report of recommended candidates for election under the provisions of the College's Constitution.

The Chair stated that nominations from interested members would be accepted until Wednesday, October 14, 2015. The Executive Committee would review the nominations and prepare a recommended slate for the College, to be considered at the November 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

On motion, duly moved, seconded, and carried

IT WAS RESOLVED

THAT the Consent Agenda be adopted and that the items on it approved.

# 4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting – May 11, 2015

The minutes of the May 11, 2015 meeting were approved.

## 5. Business Arising from the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

There was no business arising from the minutes of the previous meeting.

## 6. College of Electors – Schedule of Meetings 2015-16

Members received the 2015-2016 meeting schedule for information.

## 7. Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 3, 2015

The Chair noted that the next meeting of the College of Electors was scheduled for Tuesday, November 3, 2015 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

#### 8. Other Business

## a) Governing Council Calendar of Business

Members reviewed the highlights of the items of business that would be considered by the Governing Council's Boards, Campus Councils and Committees prior to the end of the year. The Chair encouraged attendance at the Governing Council (GC) meeting and noted that the entire calendar of business was posted on the GC website and was updated every Friday. The next Governing Council meeting would be held on Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 4:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

The Chair invited members to a reception that followed the meeting.

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	The meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.	
Secretary	- Chair	
Thursday, October 8, 2015		