



## **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS**

Doug Wilson introduced and welcomed Lisa Grande, the new Student Governor for 2002-2003. At the request of the Chair, MaryLynn West-Moynes introduced Margaret Scott, Dean of the Schools of Design and Communications Arts; Micki Walters, here in her former role as Dean of the Schools of Health and Human Studies and now Registrar; Adam Hagerman and Jason Wight, first year Sports Admin students; and Journalism students Paulo Santos and Melissa Van Overbeek. Doug noted that Charlie Graves, a consultant with EKOS Research Associates, would arrive at approximately 7:00 p.m.

## **ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA**

Item 14.8, Athletic Medals; Item 14.9, Potential Strike by Chartwells food service employees; and Item 15.1 g), Holdco Committee Meeting, April 9 at 5:00 p.m., were added to the agenda.

## **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATIONS**

None was noted.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

It was noted that the presentation item would be deferred until later in the meeting.

## **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

There being no errors or omissions in the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of February 13, 2002, the Chair declared the minutes accepted as presented.

## **DECISION ITEMS**

### **Communicative Disorders Assistant Program (1-Year Post-Diploma)**

Moved by Dave Broadbent

Seconded by Winnie Gordon

MOTION #4614 “That the Board of Governors approve the Communicative Disorders Assistant Program (1-Year Post-Diploma), as presented.”

CARRIED

Micki Walters noted that this was a program for assistants to speech pathologists and audiologists and was a 3-semester program. She commented that market research had shown a strong need for this program and had received several letters of endorsement. The program would include clinical placements. Micki advised there were 58 applicants to date and most had a university degree.

### **Technical Writer Program (1-Year Post-Diploma)**

Moved by Garry Cubitt

Seconded by Gail MacKenzie

MOTION #4615 “That the Board of Governors approve the Technical Writer Program (1-Year Post-Diploma), as presented.”

CARRIED

Margaret Scott advised that this was a 2 semester post-diploma program, which included field placement, with an entrance requirement of a 2-year college diploma or university degree. She noted that potential employers had been surveyed and that graduates would have good potential employment prospects. Margaret stated that technical writers had been asked to input to the curriculum. She noted 14 applicants to

date and expected a class size of 25 – 30 students. MaryLynn thought that this might also be a successful Continuous Learning program.

### **General Arts and Science Certificate Program (1-Year Certificate)**

Moved by Peter Bagnall

Seconded by Beth Wilson

MOTION #4616 “That the Board of Governors approve the General Arts & Science Certificate Program (1-Year Certificate), as presented.”

CARRIED

Margaret Scott advised that this currently was a two-year diploma program and the modification of the program to a one-year program was at the request of MTCU. She commented that the focus of this program is on its first year and very few students went on to second year and instead transferred into other college programs. She noted that the 2-year designation would be kept and would be reinstated if there was a need to do so. Louise Farr questioned if students would use this one-year program as a readiness program or to get into over-subscribed programs the following year. Margaret advised yes and that electives are transferable. She advised it also helped students learn about college life.

Margaret Scott and Micki Walters left the meeting at 6:22 p.m.

### **Re-naming of UOIT Manufacturing Program**

Moved by Louise Farr

Seconded by Garry Cubitt

MOTION #4617 “That the Board of Governors approve the re-naming of the University of Ontario Institute of Technology degree program to Bachelor of Engineering (B.Eng.) Manufacturing Engineering from Bachelor of Engineering (B.Eng.) Specialty in Manufacturing, as presented.”

CARRIED

MaryLynn advised that the re-naming was fine-tuning of the program name to match accreditation standards.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Gary noted that Bev Balenko was working with MTCU to obtain approval of the Paramedic Program, which has taken longer than expected. He noted this was due to Centennial College’s objections to the program. It is expected that we will have approval in the Spring.

The items on the consent calendar were accepted as presented.

### **INTERIM FINANCIAL REPORT**

Don Hargest noted we were ahead of budget and advised of the positive variance in net contributions. He reported a projected net contribution surplus of \$3.4M. Capital acquisitions are running ahead of projections but this variance will be covered by incoming revenue.

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

#### **Performance Indicator: Student Applications**

Margaret Greenley advised that the number of applications is 29.3% higher than last year which places Durham College 1<sup>st</sup> in the rankings, but cautioned that it was still very preliminary. She noted a number of

oversubscribed programs and that the Deans were meeting now to review plans for the coming year. It was projected that enrollment will grow by 6-7% in September.

Louise Farr questioned with the popularity of over-subscribed programs, does there appear to be a shift in interest from some programs to others. Margaret replied yes, that currently there seemed to be a trend in the public and health sectors and a decline in the IT programs. She noted some programs were cyclical in nature, mostly due to the job market.

Doug Wilson noted one of our targets is to be in the top quartile for enrollment and it seemed safe to assume we would meet that target for next year. Margaret agreed.

### **Double Cohort**

Margaret Greenley reported that she and Karen Graveline had meet with Gail MacKenzie to discuss concerns regarding the general stream double cohort students. She noted that we would be reviewing statistics for the general stream students to ensure that the weighting system was meeting the needs of these students.

## **REPORT FROM THE PRESIDENT**

### **SuperBuild I Update**

Gary noted that the planned/actual/variance to date has been added to the report.

### **SuperBuild II Update**

Gary advised that 10 architects will be making their presentations on the next phase of building on April 1 and 2. It was noted that a number of leading architects are involved. In addition, the Building Committee will be reviewing concepts for the Cafetorium and Galleria on April 1.

### **Learning Opportunities Task Force**

Margaret Greenley advised that we were very pleased with this study regarding supports for students with disabilities. She noted three strategies for success which are: appropriate assessment of students; support available from a learning strategist; and adaptive technology available for students. A proposal is currently being put together to look at opportunities for a grant.

### **Trillium Award Winner – Annual Report 1999-2000**

Gary advised that the 1999-2000 Annual Report had won the Trillium gold medal. He congratulated Carol Beam and the team on this achievement.

### **Annual Report 2000-2001**

Governors noted favourable comments regarding the subject report.

### **PEQAB Program Submission**

MaryLynn West-Moynes advised that submissions had been sent to PEQAB on time as predicted. She commented that Catherine Drea had played a lead role in the project, as well as a team of 48 individuals working on the curriculum and 8 Advisory Committees. She congratulated the team on this accomplishment. She noted the approval process can take up to 4 months. We have also recommended quality assessors to PEQAB. PEQAB will review the material on March 19 and a team will be assigned to review each of the degree programs. This review of the material will also include benchmarking against other programs and a day's review on site. The assessors will reflect and make a recommendation to PEQAB who then send a recommendation to MTCU. Gary reinforced we had leading experts working on

the submissions and had taken every step for success. He stated it was expected there would be some adjustments requested but that we are optimistic on receiving approval.

### **Participation in Paid ACAATO Ad**

MaryLynn advised that DC has been asked to participate in an advocacy campaign regarding how much funding is required for the double cohort, and to identify how Government funding has decreased. She noted we had agreed, provided that we can review the ad prior to going to print. Gary stated if the ad was positive and constructive we would continue to support it.

### **Athletic Medals**

Gary advised that the men's volleyball team had won the bronze medal and the women's volleyball team had won the gold medal in the provincial championships. Dave Broadbent stated that this was an outstanding accomplishment and he would like to propose a motion and send a fax to the team noting the Board's support.

Moved by Dave Broadbent

Seconded by Louise Farr

MOTION #4618 "Be it resolved that the Board of Governors enthusiastically congratulate the Lords Women's Volleyball team for their outstanding Gold Medal achievement in earning the 2001/02 Provincial Championship, and wishes them much continued success in their quest of a National Championship."

CARRIED

**Action:** Cathy to send congratulatory fax noting the Board's congratulations and support to the women's volleyball team currently participating in the national championships as soon as possible.

### **Potential Strike by Chartwells Food Service Employees**

Gary noted that if the food services union rejected the settlement offer there was a potential to strike this Thursday at midnight. He advised that both a communication and food services plan were in place should a strike occur.

### **REPORT OF THE CHAIR**

#### **Upcoming Events:**

Doug reviewed the upcoming events: Audit and Finance Committee Meeting on March 26 at 5:00 p.m.; Building Committee Meeting on April 1 at 5:00 p.m.; Nominating Committee Meeting (Interviews) on April 3 at 4:00 p.m. and on April 15 at 4:30 p.m.; Justice Wing Official Opening on April 5 at 10:30 a.m.; Holdco Committee Meeting on April 9 at 5:00 p.m.; Foundation Board of Directors Meeting on April 16 at 5:00 p.m.; and the ACCC Conference, May 26-28 in St. John's, Newfoundland.

#### **35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration**

It was noted that the Anniversary Celebration has been rescheduled to September 20-22.

### **PRESENTATIONS**

#### **Demographics and Opinions of Today's University Applicants**

Charlie Graves, a consultant with EKOS Research Associates, reviewed Ontario's results of a national survey conducted regarding the perceptions of quality, funding and access in Ontario universities.

Ontarians believe that a university education should be multi-dimensional and "learning to learn" is important, as is acquiring skills to work in a particular field. Ontario universities were also rated as "good". It was noted that people felt it important that universities employ professors with a high degree of teaching skills. The survey showed a strong level of support for government funding to improve quality.

Gary commented that we were creating a new university and were about 5 months away from recruiting students and 18 months away from serving them, and asked if Charlie Graves had any advice. Charlie responded by saying we needed to conduct research in terms of our target market and that it was important to think about offering a broad base education for students. He thought that a large segment of students would identify with our vision.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

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Doug Wilson, Chair

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Gary Polonsky, President