UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

THE UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO SCARBOROUGH CAMPUS COUNCIL

REPORT NUMBER 6 OF THE CAMPUS COUNCIL

May 28, 2014

Professor Bill Gough (Chair)          Mr. Andrew Arifuzzaman (Chief Administrative Officer)
Mr. R. Mark Krembil, (Vice-Chair)    Professor Rick Halpern (Dean and Vice-Principal, (Academic))
Ms Shirley Hoy, (Vice-Chair          Secretariat:
             Governing Council)
Mr. Preet Banerjee
Mr. Harvey Botting
Mr. Asher Chohan
Mr. Luki Danukarjanto
Mr. Adrian De Leon
Professor Suzanne Erb
Ms Kathy Fellowes
Ms Sue Graham-Nutter
Mr. Roshan Gunapalasundaram
Ms Marilyn Kwan
Ms Nancy Carolyn Lee
Mr. Hussain Masoom
Ms Alyssa Moses
Ms V. Elaine Thompson
Dr. Christopher Ollson

Absent:
Ms Sara Allain
Dr. Brian Harrington
Mr. John Kapageridis
Dr. Elaine Khoo
Professor Stephen Rockel
Dr. Effie Sauer

In attendance:
Professor Malcolm Campbell, Vice-Principal, Research
Ms Helen Morissette, Director, Financial Services
Mr. Jack Martin, Director, Business Development and International Programs
Mr. Jackson Mei, Green Path Student Presenter
Ms Shelley Romoff, Director, Communications and Public Affairs
Ms Frances Wdowczyk, Director, Business Development & Special Advisor to the CAO
Operations and Special Projects
1. Chair’s Remarks

The Chair welcomed members and guests to the final meeting of the UTSC Campus Council for the 2013-14 governance year. He offered a special welcome to Ms Shirley Hoy, Vice-Chair of the Governing Council, and to Mr. Mark Krembil, Vice-Chair of the UTSC Campus Council who participated in the meeting by teleconference. The Chair reported that members should expect an invitation to participate in a survey designed to help governance leadership and the Secretariat gain an understanding of members’ experiences during the year.

2. Report of the Interim Vice-President and Principal

The Chair invited Professor Rick Halpern, Acting Interim Vice-President and Principal, to present his report. His report included a presentation on the Green Path Program and UTSC’s engagement with China, as well as an update on UTSC 50th Anniversary

a. Green Path Student Presentation

Professor Halpern reported that the Green Path Program had been a special partnership between UTSC and elite high schools in China. He explained that the students recruited from China exhibit academic excellence, scholarly promise, and English language proficiency with additional training from the Summer Foundations Program provided by UTSC. Professor Halpern commented on the Green Path Program’s ability to prepare students for studying in Canada, and the importance of the University of Toronto’s academic ranking when recruiting students from China. He mentioned that great emphasis had been placed on the success stories of Green Path graduates. He also mentioned UTSC’s ability to use the successful Green Path Program as a platform within China from which to launch research projects, connections with other universities, and fundraising initiatives. Professor Halpern invited Mr. Jackson Mai, former Green Path student and a UTSC alumnus, to discuss his Green Path Program experience. Mr. Mei explained that the Green Path Program provided him with support and fostered a career focus, assisted with development of his independence, while fostering the establishment of lifelong friendships.

A member asked whether there had been a similar program on the St. George campus and Professor Halpern replied that there was not. In response to a question from a member, Professor Halpern reported that the Dean’s Office tracked Green Path graduates and that about one quarter of the students went back to China after graduation. He added that most students furthered their studies in the United States or Europe. Responding to a member’s inquiry, Professor Halpern reported that Green Path students paid the standard international student tuition fees with an additional charge for the Summer Academic Preparation Program, which generates a modest net revenue that was put back into the Program and had been used to seed additional international
recruitment efforts. Another member inquired about the dropout rates for the Green Path Program and Professor Halpern reported that the program lost some students after their first year to the Faculty of Arts and Science and Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering on the St. George campus. He commented that with increased graduate programs at UTSC, more Green Path students would likely stay at UTSC. In response to a member’s question about growth of the program, Professor Halpern reported that the plan had been to keep the size steady at 258 students.

The Chair thanked Professor Halpern for his presentation.

b. UTSC 50th Anniversary Update

Professor Halpern introduced and invited Co-Chairs of the UTSC 50th Anniversary Steering Committee, Ms Frances Wdowczyk, and Ms Shelley Romoff, to update the Council on the celebration plans for the campus’s 50th Anniversary. Ms Romoff indicated that the objectives of the UTSC 50th Anniversary were to showcase UTSC’s rich history and promising future, increase the visibility of the campus, engage with key constituencies, forge new strategic partnerships, and celebrate and recognize faculty, staff, alumni and students. Ms Wdowczyk reported that the theme for the 50th anniversary was Innovation and that a $50,000 Legacy Fund has been established to profile UTSC as an innovator in teaching and research. She also presented an image of the 50th anniversary logo. Ms Romoff mentioned that the events for the 50th Anniversary would start in June and conclude in December. Both Co-Chairs were pleased to point out that the Honorary Chair of the Steering Committee was U of T Chancellor Emeritus, the Honourable David Peterson.

Following member’s question, Ms Wdowczyk reported that a schedule of events would likely be published towards the middle of June.

3. UTSC Council on Student Services (CSS): Proposed Revisions to Terms of Reference

The Chair invited Ms Sue Graham-Nutter, Chair of the Campus Affairs Committee, to present the item. She reported that at the April 30th Campus Affairs Committee meeting, the Committee recommended for approval to the Campus Council, the Proposed Revisions to Terms of Reference for the UTSC Council on Student Services (CSS). Ms Graham-Nutter explained that the last revisions to the Council on Student Services (CSS) Terms of Reference were in April 2008. She reported that the proposed revisions were related to the new governance process and name changes related to department and service titles. In addition, there were proposed changes to the number of voting members of the Council from 19 to 22 with the following additions: the Vice-President External of Scarborough Campus Students’ Union (SCSU), a graduate student
appointed by the Graduate Students’ Association at Scarborough (GSAS), and an increase to seven undergraduate students appointed by SCSU to represent full and part-time UTSC students.

On motion duly moved, seconded and carried,

YOUR COUNCIL APPROVED,

THAT the proposed revisions to the University of Toronto Scarborough Council on Student Services Terms of Reference (“Constitution” and “By-Laws”) recommended by the Dean of Student Affairs, Mr. Desmond Pouyat, and detailed in the proposal dated April 9, 2014, be approved, effective immediately.

4. Proposed Changes to the Distribution of Seats and Length of Terms on the UTM and UTSC Campus Councils and their Standing Committees

The Chair introduced and presented the item in his role as Chair of the Governing Council’s Elections Committee. He reported that the proposed changes to the Terms of Reference for the Campus Councils and their Standing Committees specifically focused on the distribution of seats and length of terms for each constituency on the governance bodies. In addition, he added that a series of options were proposed by the Elections Committee and widely distributed to members of the campus community along with consultation sessions that were held at the two campuses to discuss the options at the end of March. He explained that the proposed changes were based on the extensive discussions held at the two consultation sessions and the written and verbal feedback received. He provided a brief summary of the proposed changes in the documentation provided.

CONSENT AGENDA

5. Report of the Previous Meeting: Report Number 5 – Wednesday, April 24, 2014

6. Business Arising from the Report of the Previous Meeting

7. Reports for Information
   a. Report Number 6 of the Agenda Committee (Wednesday, May 14, 2014)
   b. Report Number 6 of the Academic Affairs Committee (Monday, April 28, 2014)
   c. Report Number 6 of the Campus Affairs Committee (Wednesday, April 30, 2014)
8. Date of the Next Meeting- Thursday, October 9, 2014

On motion duly moved, seconded and carried,

YOUR COUNCIL APPROVED,

THAT the consent agenda be adopted and the item requiring approval (item 5) be approved.

9. Other Business

The Chair reported that there would be a review of the new governance model and invited Mr. Louis Charpentier, Secretary of the Governing Council, to present a brief overview of the process. Mr. Charpentier reported that when the Terms of Reference for the Campus Council were approved on June 25, 2012, there had been a provision that following the first year of operation, the Governing Council would conduct a review of the new model to determine its effectiveness and any changes that might be necessary. He highlighted three Review themes:

- The efficacy of the new governance model;
- The Terms of Reference for the Standing Committees; and
- Issues related to orientation and education.

Mr. Charpentier indicated that the process under discussion would allow for a broad call for submissions and in person consultations. In addition, he reported that the Review Committee would be approximately 10-12 members with representation from Governing Council and the UTM and UTSC Campus Councils.

10. Question Period

There were no questions raised.

11. Reflections: Year In Review

The Chair invited the Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee and the Chair of the Campus Affairs Committee to provide reflections on the past governance year. Both Ms Fellowes and Ms Graham-Nutter offered thanks to the Vice-Chairs, Assessors and the Secretariat for making the past year successful.

The Chair offered thanks to the Vice-Chair, Standing Committee Chairs, Assessors and the Secretariat. He commented on the enthusiasm and professionalism of all members, and the
positive experience he had as Chair in the inaugural year of the UTSC Campus Council. He reported on next steps and development for the UTSC Campus Council that included engaging part-time students in governance, the election process and continuing to strengthen ties to the governance structure.

Ms Shirley Hoy, Vice-Chair of the Governing Council offered congratulatory remarks on behalf of Ms Judy Goldring, Chair of the Governing Council. She thanked the Chair of the UTSC Campus Council, the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of the Standing Committees and all members for their hard work and dedication to the new governance structure.

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IN CAMERA

12. UTSC Campus Council 2014-2015 Appointments to Standing Committees & Leadership Roles

On motion duly moved, seconded and carried,

YOUR COUNCIL APPROVED,

THAT the recommended appointments of members of the UTSC Campus Council to the Standing Committees and related leadership roles, as recommended by the Nominating Committee, be approved for one year terms as specified in the documentation dated May 21, 2014, effective July 1, 2014, subject to changes in the Terms of Reference of the UTSC Campus Council.

The meeting adjourned at 6:01 p.m.

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Secretary  Chair