



OISE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF OISE COUNCIL, held on December 3, 2014 at 3:00 p.m. in the Dean's Boardroom at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education

Present:

Prof. Creso Sá, Chair
Prof. Julia O'Sullivan, Dean

Ms. Vesna Bajic
Prof. Abigail Bakan
Dr. Zahra Bhanji
Mr. Kurt Binnie
Ms. Rachel Birney
Dr. Jacqueline Button
Ms. Lara Cartmale
Dr. Merlin Charles
Prof. Charles Chen
Prof. Ruth Childs
Ms. Taleah Clarke
Ms. Sarah Clarke
Prof. Scott Davies

Dr. Sameena Eidoo
Ms. Annette Ford
Prof. Kathleen Gallagher
Prof. Esther Geva
Mr. Kavijit Goia
Dr. Sheldon Grabke
Ms. Helen Huang
Ms. Sim Kapoor
Ms. Carolyn Khalil
Mr. Stephen Krencil
Ms. Jasmine Laserna
Dr. Ann Lopez
Prof. Doug McDougall
Mr. Michael Meth
Prof. Roy Moodley
Dr. Shelley Murphy

Prof. Angela Pyle
Ms. Elisabeth Rees-Johnstone
Ms. Wendy Shen
Ms. Jeanne Sinclair
Ms. Rebecca Singer
Prof. Lana Stermac
Prof. Sandra Styres
Ms. Karolina Szymanski
Prof. Earl Woodruff
Ms. Maggie Xu

Ms. Biljana Cuckovic, Secretary
of the Faculty Council

In attendance:

Ms. Susan Anderson
Ms. Shawna Carrol

Ms. Karen Dinsdale
Prof. Tara Goldstein
Ms. Stephanie Michelle

Mr. Steve Robinson
Ms. Lise Watson

Absent:

Ms. Stephanie Aggelonitis
Prof. Nina Bascia
Prof. Kathy Bickmore
Prof. Clare Brett
Ms. Caitlin Campisi
Prof. Tony Chambers
Ms. Brenda Corrigan-Elliott
Prof. Meric Gertler
Prof. Roy Gillis

Ms. Lu Huang
Mr. Pierre Lee
Ms. Shuyang Lin
Dr. David Montemurro
Dr. Jeff Myers
Mr. Ken Nakanishi
Ms. Jennifer O'Reilly
Prof. Joan Peskin
Prof. Sherene Razack
Prof. Cheryl Regehr

Prof. Locke Rowe
Prof. Suzanne Stewart
Ms. Anna Liza Villanueva
Prof. Jeanne Watson
Prof. Leesa Wheelahan
Ms. Zian Zhang
Ms. Humera Zia
Ms. Terezia Zoric
Justice Marvin Zuker

1. Review and Approval of Agenda

The Agenda for the meeting was approved.

2. Review and Approval of DRAFT Council minutes of October 29, 2014

Minutes of the meeting of the Faculty Council, held on October 29, 2014 were approved.

3. Chair's Report

The Chair reminded members in attendance of unfilled positions on the Executive Committee including: 1 Vice Chair of Council, 2 faculty members, and 2 instructors. As no members present at the meeting were nominated, the Chair asked members to consider self-nominating for the position of Vice-Chair of Council, and to contact him directly.

4. Dean's Report

Provincial Initiatives

The Dean highlighted that expanding the number of international graduate students is a priority for the University of Toronto, and for OISE. This important priority was included in the University's Strategic Mandate Agreement submission to the Government. The University continues to receive strong international applications to doctoral programs; however, without associated funding the University is limited in how many of these students it can afford to enrol. The Government is considering improved support for international graduate students thanks to the University's advocacy for extending domestic-level funding to a portion of international graduate students. A positive response would be beneficial for the University and for OISE.

Admissions and Recruitment

December 1, 2014 was the application deadline for our programs. We currently have 25% more applications and 20% more first choice applications compared last year. Much of this increase is due to the nearly 300% increase in MT applications. Our enhanced recruitment activities this fall are having a positive impact. The Dean expressed gratitude to all faculty, staff, and student volunteers who participated in the recruitment campaign.

Planning and Budget

Over the last several months the department Chairs, Associate Dean, Programs, CAO, and the Registrar worked on setting achievable enrolment targets for all OISE programs. The Dean and CAO met with the Provost and Vice-President, Operations to review enrolment targets. The budget projections are based on enrolment. The divisional budgets will be approved by the University in January 2015.

Faculty Renewal

Shortlisted candidates for the position in School Psychology are visiting OISE for interviews. The application deadlines have passed for other ongoing searches, and the search committees are in the process of developing shortlists. The Dean encouraged everyone, especially graduate students, to get involved and meet the candidates visiting OISE who are meeting with colleagues, staff and students and presenting their research.

Research

The Office of Associate Dean, Research, International and Innovation, continues to provide support for early career awards (two submitted this year), and is nominating faculty for other prestigious academic awards. Our applications for large institutional grants are steady and reflect a commitment to collaborative and international work among the faculty. Plans are under way to host a series of networking meetings for health researchers at OISE.

Indigenous Education Initiative

An academic steering committee is being established in conjunction with the Office of Associate Dean, Research, International and Innovation, to support the Indigenous Education Initiative. It includes all members of the original steering committee that contributed to the advancement priority and supported the appointment of Chief Atleo. Terms of Reference for the Committee are being drafted and an initial meeting is planned for early in the new year. \$5 million dollars for the Initiative was raised to support research specifically targeted for policy uptake.

Innovation & International

We continue to host international delegations. In November we hosted groups from the Netherlands, Norway, Denmark and Ukraine who were interested in our graduate teacher education programs, professional development, and training programs offered through the Office of Continuing and Professional Learning, and in our research. The increasing interest from various international groups necessitates a more strategic approach to ensure that we are focusing on groups and areas that will have the best return for OISE. The Dean introduced Elisabeth Rees-Johnstone, the new Executive Director of Continuing and Professional Learning. Elisabeth will be working closely with the Alumni Office to help determine professional learning needs of our alumni, and to develop tailored programming.

Advancement

OISE received positive coverage regarding the Indigenous Education Initiative and Chief Atleo's appointment, for example, in the University's Boundless Magazine, in Aboriginal newspapers and on television. In addition, nearly \$500,000 was both raised and matched by the University for Student Scholarships.

Honours and Awards

The Dean recognised OISE's outstanding students who received the following awards and scholarships:

- Rachel Rhoades, Curriculum, Teaching and Learning, recipient of the Connaught International Scholarship for international doctoral students
- Joe Curnow, Leadership, Higher and Adult Education, recipient of the Vanier SSHRC award for students who demonstrate leadership and a high standard of scholarly achievement
- Shaun Chen, OISE Alumnus and current Ph.D student, Social Justice Education, elected as the new TDSB Chair

OISE's Teaching Awards are one important way of recognizing excellence in teaching. The nomination submission deadline is December 15, 2014. The Dean encouraged members take the time to nominate someone whose teaching is truly exceptional.

UCL-IOE Merger

On December 2, 2014 the merger of University College London (UCL) and the Institute of Education London (IOE) took effect. A longstanding partner of OISE, IOE is now a faculty within UCL. On behalf of the OISE community, the Dean will send congratulations and best wishes for the future.

A question was raised regarding the link between OISE's international priorities and the three priorities President Gertler recently shared at the Academic Board meeting, specifically, the internationalization. The Dean represents OISE at the Provostial International Committee, and working with the Associate Dean, Research, International and Innovation, will ensure OISE's international work and priorities are aligned with the University's.

The Dean concluded her report by wishing members of the Council happy holidays.

5. Reports from Standing Committees

- A. **Appeals** – No report.
- B. **By-Laws, Nominations & Elections** – No report.
- C. **Equity** – No report.
- D. **Graduate Education** – On behalf of Professor Clare Brett, Professor Tara Goldstein reported to Council items for approval, and for information. She provided an overview of the Graduate Education Committee's mandate, including how academic change proposals are considered, and she shared the summary of committee's discussions regarding the proposal to establish a Combined Degree Program Bachelor of Music, Stream in Music Education /Master of Teaching. The summary included the committee's description of the consultation process for the development of future combined degree program proposals, as well as the development of Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) to be negotiated between OISE and the other faculties involved in the development of the combined degree programs.

For Approval:

Major Modification Proposal: Combined Degree Program, Bachelor of Music, Stream in Music Education /Master of Teaching

Professor Doug McDougall provided an overview of the proposal. He shared the department's enthusiasm and commitment for the establishment of the combined degree programs with OISE's undergraduate partners involved in the University of Toronto Concurrent Teacher Education Program (CTEP).

With the restructuring of teacher education in Ontario including a move from a one year to two year program for teacher education, the CTEP programs have been closed to new admissions. In their place, the Faculty of Music and OISE are bringing forward the proposed Combined Degree Program that builds on Music's and OISE's long standing partnership in teacher education. Once approved, the proposed Combined Degree Program, Bachelor of Music, Stream in Music Education/Master of Teaching will provide students with the opportunity to gain early conditional graduate admission (in Year 3 of undergraduate study), a clear pathway towards the teaching profession, and access to an enriched combination of academic programs. Students who successfully complete the Combined Degree Program will have earned two University of Toronto degrees (Mus.Bac. and MT), and will be recommended to the Ontario College of Teachers for a Certificate of Qualification, which certifies them to teach in Ontario schools.

On a motion duly made, seconded, and carried, IT WAS RESOLVED,

THAT the Combined Degree Program, Bachelor of Music, Stream in Music Education /Master of Teaching, be approved effective September, 2015.

All were in favour. The Faculty Council approval of this motion is final.

For Information:

Five minor modification proposals approved by the Graduate Education Committee on October 31, 2014 were reported to Council for information:

- Guidance and Counselling (M.Ed)
- Counselling and Psychotherapy (M.Ed)

- Counselling and Psychotherapy (Ed.D)
- Clinical and Counselling Psychology (Ph.D)
- Master of Teaching (MT)

For Information:

Fourteen new course proposals approved by the Graduate Education Committee on October 31, 2014 were reported to Council for information:

- CTL7031Y – Curriculum and Teaching in Health and Physical Education
- CTL7026Y – Curriculum and Teaching in Science: General
- CTL7030Y – Curriculum and Teaching in Music: Vocal
- CTL7029Y – Curriculum and Teaching in Music: Instrumental
- CTL7034Y – Curriculum and Teaching in French as a Second Language
- CTL7024Y – Curriculum and Teaching in Science: Chemistry
- CTL3411H – Cinema and Historical Literacy
- CTL3412H – Shakespeare Cultural Literacy
- CTL3413H – Reading Cinema and Cultural Identity
- CTL3414H – Historical Literacy and Popular Literacy
- CTL3415H – Educational Thought and Historical Literature
- CTL3100H – Communication & Second Language Learning in the Workplace
- CTL3101H – Language Awareness for Language Educators
- CTL3037H – Biography in Educational Contexts

E. **Initial Teacher Education** – No report.

F. **Research** – As newly elected Chair of the Research Standing Committee Professor Kathleen Gallagher, shared a brief update on behalf of the Committee that met on November 4, 2014. The Associate Dean, Research, International and Innovation will participate in the University-wide consultation with SSHRC to provide some U of T specific feedback. The Committee also discussed the establishment of a subcommittee to look at the number of OISE's research centres, and related policies for their establishment and reviews.

6. Other Business – OISE Library Update

Michael Meth, Director of OISE Library, provided an overview of the Library including its structure, organization and services offered to faculty and students. A brief update on the latest library initiatives was shared including collaboration with the Research Office to better promote faculty research. Regarding long-term planning, the Library will engage in the process of rethinking collections and spaces, and would welcome involvement and input from the Community. An idea to establish an OISE Library Advisory Committee to facilitate the community consultations was presented.

7. **Adjournment** – The meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

8. **Next Meeting:** Wednesday, February 18, 2015, 3:00 p.m., OISE, Room 12-199