AGENDA:

1. Minutes of the Meetings of December 8, 2011 (attached) and January 23, 2012 (attached).

2. Business Arising from the Minutes

3. Report of the Principal – Y. Roberge


5. Report from Standing Committees
   i) Academic Affairs – J. Larkin

6. Approval of Draft Award Record: “New College 50th Anniversary Alumni and Friends Scholarship” (attached) – C. Richards

7. Report from College Officers
   i) Development Office – C. Richards

8. Report from Student Councils/Unions
   i) NCSC
   ii) NCRC
   iii) Program/Course Unions

9. Other Business

10. Adjournment
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NEW COLLEGE COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Thursday, December 8, 2011
2:10 p.m., Room 2053, New College


Regrets: J. Larkin, S. Walker

Minutes of the Meeting of October 19, 2011

On a motion by S. Wilmot, seconded by P. Cox, the minutes of the meeting of October 19, 2011 were accepted as recorded. CARRIED

Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

Report of the Principal

Y. Roberge reported the following:
- The College’s International Course Module (ICM) proposal was approved. T. Tieku and A. Wasike will travel to Ethiopia with a number of African Studies Students during Reading Week.
- Summer Courses: we asked for a higher number of courses this year, and all were approved, including a 4th year condensed/intensive course in Jungian Theory.
- New One: the courses and program have been approved, and the development of the application process is nearly complete. The program and application will be on the New College website early next year. The budget will be worked on early next year.
  M. Bearor asked when students will be applying for New One. Y. Roberge responded that students will apply to the University and New One simultaneously, and acceptance to the New One program is dependent on admission to the University.
- Paradigms & Archetypes: the Faculty presented all program closures simultaneously at the meeting of the Arts and Science Council. As one of the program closures was controversial, the motion was defeated. It is hoped that the closure of the Paradigms & Archetypes program can be brought forward again at a future meeting of the Arts and Science Council.
- A new, online course evaluation system is being piloted. Equity Studies is one of the programs involved in this. Student participation is being monitored.
• 50th Anniversary: the launch event was very successful. The anniversary will be made much more visible in January, with banners being displayed and numerous events planned.
• The University recently launched an institution-wide campaign (“Boundless”), and the College submitted one capital project for approval to this campaign. The project involves improvements/renovations to the quad.
• Website: the new New College website is up. The Principal thanked J. Newman, S. Wilmot and P. Cox for their efforts in this endeavour. Training sessions for website users will be held next week.
• Labour negotiations are on-going for UTFA and CUPE 3902 Unit 1. The College will be kept informed regarding these negotiations.

Report of the Director of Business Services

R. Vander Kraats reported the following:
• Wetmore Classroom Project
  We are currently in the tendering process for this project. Three contractors came in under budget. Demolition is scheduled to begin during the December holiday break.

Report of the Registrar’s Office

2011 enrolment figures were forwarded with the other meeting documents by email.

Constitution and Bylaws

Y. Roberge distributed materials (attached) and reported the following:

The University of Toronto Quality Assurance Process states that when dealing with programs, we must follow specific guidelines. Due to changes in governance, we need to revise the New College Constitution. The revisions will be approved by Governing Council. The committee that reviewed and proposed revisions to the Constitution and Bylaws will present them at the January meeting of Council. The document was divided into two parts: the constitution and the by-laws. Constitution changes must be approved by Governing Council; bylaws can be changed internally. A template was used, and the old document was incorporated into the template. Five documents will be presented: (1) current document; (2) & (3) proposed revised documents; (4) & (5) list of substantive changes. The documents will be received in early January and discussed at the January meeting. The final documents will be sent to Simcoe Hall by February 24. An example of the type of changes being proposed is the language with respect to the creation of new programs and courses. Currently, the document states that the College approves new programs and courses. The process is actually that new course and program proposals are reviewed/recommended by the Academic Affairs Committee to New College Council. NCC then recommends them to the Curriculum Committee, which recommends them to Faculty Council, and they are ultimately approved by the Provost. The current bylaws do not mention program committees; this will be updated in the new document.
Residence Admission Strategy

S. Wilmot distributed materials (attached) and explained that as more spaces become available in the 45 Willcocks residence, the strategy for admissions to residence needs to be reviewed. There are currently 786 spaces in residence. Approximately 35% (275) of the spaces are reserved for returning students, with the remaining spaces (511) reserved for 1st year students. In 2011, 155 of the 1st year spaces were reserved for IFP students. Of the 356 remaining spaces, 60% are held for New College Arts & Science students and 40% for Professional Faculties, such as APSE and PHE. As supply does not meet demand, 206 1st year Arts & Science students were transferred to the Chestnut Residence, of which only 88 accepted the Chestnut Residence offer. An additional 56 New College A&S students selected the Chestnut as their first choice, resulting in 144 1st year New College A&S students living in the Chestnut.

New College Residence accepts more professional faculty students than anyone else. Also, increasing the number of international students admitted to the University increases the residence demand.

M. Bearor mentioned that, in general, New College students are not happy at the Chestnut Residence and they do not feel like part of the College. She does not believe it would be a good idea to increase the number of professional faculty of students as the number of residence spaces increases; rather, the spaces should be given to New College Arts & Science students.

Development Office

C. Richards reported the following:

- The 50th Anniversary launch event was held on October 27, 2011. There were approximately 160 attendees. B. Registe and P. Cox were thanked for their help with this event.
- There will be 50th anniversary banners on the street in January.
- New College convocation will be on November 9. There will be a reception following the event, and College members are encouraged to attend and support our graduates.
- The new University-wide campaign (“Boundless”) was launched on November 20. It has a target of $2 billion. Currently, the campaign has raised $966 million. The themes of the campaign are centred around “creating global citizens” and “global leadership”.

Report from Student Councils/Unions

- **NCSC**
  M. Bearor reported the following:
  - New furniture was installed outside the NCSC office in the atrium at 45 Willcocks at the end of November. It has attracted many students.
  - The fall semester’s events were very successful.
  - Winterfest (a multi-college event) and New 2.0 (New College-specific, and will promote the 50th anniversary) are being planned for the new year.

- **NCRC**
  A. Narisada reported the following:
There is a serious mouse problem in the residences, particularly in Wilson and Wetmore Halls. A. Valliani mentioned that there is also an issue with squirrels in Wetmore Hall. Copies of an email outlining the problem that was sent to the Principal, R. Vander Kraats and S. Wilmot by A. Valliani were distributed (attached). The issue is very serious: Z. Munro-Cape and A. Robertson described the problems they have had with the mice and how it has impacted them emotionally and academically.

Discussion followed. R. Vander Kraats sympathized with the students and indicated his disappointment with the current University-preferred pest control company. The College is now working with a new pest control company to devise a strategy to deal with the problem. The new company has placed numerous bait-boxes outside the College to prevent the entry of rodents. Additionally, they are identifying “hot spots” in the College, and concentrating their efforts there. A significant amount of work will be done while the College is closed for the holiday break. While there isn’t an overnight fix for this issue, there should be significant improvement seen soon. In the meantime, residents who are negatively impacted by this issue are being offered different rooms. Any students who feel that this problem has affected their academic performance should make and appointment to see the Registrar to discuss options.

Other Business

There was no other business.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m. on a motion by M. Bearor, seconded by V. Kostianiuk.
Proposed Revised (30 November 2011)

University of Toronto

New College Constitution

I. The Council of New College exercises its powers and duties under the provisions of the University of Toronto Act, 1971, as amended.

II. Definitions

In this Constitution and the accompanying By-laws:

II.1 “College” means New College and “Council” means the properly composed Council of New College of the University of Toronto.

II.2 “Teaching Staff” means a member of New College who holds an academic appointment of 50% or more at the University of Toronto and who holds the rank of Professor, Associate Professor, Assistant Professor (conditional), Senior Lecturer, Lecturer, Senior Tutor, Tutor, or Sessional Lecturer I, II or III.

II.3 “Administrative Staff” means an appointed staff member of New College who is not a member of the teaching staff.

II.4 “Student” means any student registered in a program of study leading to a degree, post-secondary diploma, or certificate at the University of Toronto, who is a member of New College.

II.5 “Alumni” means anyone who was a member of New College and who has received a degree, post-secondary diploma, or certificate from the University of Toronto, or who has completed one year of full-time studies while registered at the University of Toronto, who is no longer registered as a student and who is not a member of the teaching or administrative staff of the University.

II.6 “Member” means any teaching staff, teaching assistants, residence dons, Writing Centre instructors, administrative staff, and currently registered students who are affiliated with New College.

II.7 “Honorary Member” means past Principals and anyone else so named by the Members Committee.

III. Council’s General Powers, Duties and Responsibilities

Subject to the provisions of the University of Toronto Act, 1971, and the approval, as required or as appropriate, of the Governing Council of the University, Council shall have the following powers and duties.
III.1 Council shall determine its composition and the number, composition and authority of its committees.

III.2 Council recommends for approval to the appropriate body of Governing Council amendments to College academic policies. Academic policy sets out the principles for, the general directions of, and/or priorities for the teaching and research activities of the College.

III.3 Council plays an advisory role, tendering advice to the College administration.

IV. Council’s Specific Powers and Duties

The specific powers and duties of Council are the following:

IV.1 Council shall determine the rules and regulations for governing its procedures and its decisions shall be made by resolutions passed at its meetings.

IV.2 Council shall pass by-laws regulating the exercise of its powers, the calling and conduct of its meetings, and the method of appointment or election of its members.

IV.3 Council shall have the power to establish, alter, or disband its committees as deemed necessary and to determine their composition, authority, quorum, and method of appointment of their members and chairs. Council has authority over recommendations brought forward by such committees, be that in its decision-making capacity or in its advisory role.

IV.4 Council shall award scholarships, bursaries, prizes and other awards in the gift of the Faculty and may delegate this responsibility to committees or officers of the Faculty.

IV.5 Council shall establish policies and procedures with respect to appeals by students in connection with the application of the New College Residence Rules and Regulations.

IV.6 Council shall consider the content, quality, and requirements of the academic programs and courses of study that lead to degrees, diplomas, certificates, credits, and non-credit courses which the College sponsors. Council shall consider proposals for the closure of any such programs or courses of study, and it shall monitor the quality and standards of the programs and courses of study.

Council shall approve, subject to approval by the Council of the Faculty of Arts and Science, the following:

- proposals for new academic programs; and
- proposals for major and minor modifications to existing academic programs.¹

¹ Definitions of major modifications of existing programs, minor modifications, and new academic programs are provided in the University of Toronto Quality Assurance Process and are subject to change. Guidance from the Office of the Vice-Provost, Academic Programs, should be sought prior to the development of any such proposal.
Residence Admissions Summary

2011 Residence Admissions Information and Targets

- We currently have 786 spaces in residence
- We reserve 35% of our residence space for returning students (275 spaces or 15 returning spaces on each floor/house)
- The remaining 511 spaces in residence are reserved for 1st year students
- 155 1st year spaces were initially reserved for IFP students in 2011
- The remaining 356 were divided 60% for New College Arts and Science (214 spaces) and 40% for Professional Faculties such as APSE and PHE (142)

2011 Residence Admissions Data

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New College Students Transferred to the Chestnut Residence

- In addition to the 543 1st Year Students housed at New College 206 1st Year New College Arts & Science Students were transferred to the Chestnut Residence for accommodation
- 88 of those students transferred to the Chestnut Residence took up accommodation at the Chestnut in 2011
- 56 New College Arts and Science Student selected the Chestnut Residence as their first choice
- In September there were 144 New College first year students living in the Chestnut Residence
Dear Yves, Ron and Simon,

I hope that this message finds you well.

I moved in to Wilson House in 2007 and couldn't even have begun to imagine the rewarding experiences that I was about to have. I had an enlightening, exciting, and fulfilling year - so much so that I returned for my second year. My two years in residence allowed me to grow as an individual, meet new people, and greater understand how I wanted my undergraduate career to develop.

This year, I am the Wilson House Don. Thus far, just as my first year was, my Donning experience has been invaluable. My students are a group of people who I enjoy interacting with and learning from, and I hope to return next year, right back to this House where I came as a first year student.

However, I now don't have a choice but to express my frustrations and disappointment regarding how the building itself is being managed, and how my students are being advocated for. Since September there have been mice in almost every room in my house, in the washrooms, in the common room, and in the hallways. You will find the affected students copied in this email. I am aware that the black box bait traps have been placed in all rooms prior to students moving in, however, these appear to be insufficient. Once a mouse is detected, snap traps are placed in the rooms. These traps are also inadequate as the mice eat the peanut butter and leave. There are multiple mice at once not only inside of the radiators but coming out into the students rooms. I made my students aware on the first day that they should not have any food in their rooms other than in refrigerators, and they have all been extremely cautious, however, the problem persists. I understand that a few mice sporadically appearing in the building is unavoidable, however, the nature of the problem now is such that it is disrupting the lives of my students to a degree that is unacceptable. The mice run around in the radiators all day and night, coming out arbitrarily into their living spaces. My students have been dealing with this for months now, and they feel that nothing is being done to actually address the situation. Since the traps are insufficient.

The problem is so persistent that multiple students are not wanting to sleep in their rooms, and are trying to find other places to stay and study. They understand that the mice are more scared of them, and that
the mice will not physically harm them, however, they are uncomfortable, disgusted, and disturbed. Their sleep patterns are disrupted to a point where they are unable to study - something that I myself am also experiencing. The issue is so persistent that they are no longer comfortable in the residence, which is supposed to be their home. I have told them that the traps have been put, and that the rooms will be re-trapped and the utility panels treated with poison over the winter break, however, this is only a band-aid solution. We have all seen behind the radiators in our rooms and are aware that there are large, open spaces for mice to travel between floors, rooms, and the two buildings.

I myself have had mice in my room and trust me when I say that I am more than cautious. While I also understand that the mice are not ultimately capable of harming me, I am uncomfortable with having them in my living space. This ultimately does not allow me to do the best possible job that I have been hired to do for my students.

To add to the above problem, a squirrel has found its way into the building as of last week. While this may be the fault of one student who left their window open as an entry way for the squirrel, not enough has been done by the administration to trap and remove it from the building. Just as with the mice, it is travelling within the radiators between rooms.

The squirrel was in my neighbours room on Wednesday night, tore apart all of the papers on her desk, and left behind solid waste on her bed, on her desk, and on her floor, and tore her bedding. Ron, this is when I came down to speak with you for over an hour in order to express my frustrations. Today, I had a final exam at 9am. I walked out of my bedroom into the central area of my suite at 8.15am only to see the squirrel in the middle of my room, after it had torn parts of my couch and left behind waste all over the floor and my desk.

Animal Control was called and when they finally arrived at 11am their proposed solution was to leave a trap and hope that the squirrel went into it. Needless to say the squirrel has yet to enter the trap and has been running around between my suite and the bedrooms of the 3 students beside me all day. It has been exiting the radiators and causing a mess, along with traumatizing the students. We have been dealing with this issue for over 12 hours, and as I write this to you, the squirrel is still in the bedrooms and the radiators, now allowing
any of us to sleep.

I've had multiple students say that they want to move out as they are so uncomfortable with everything that has been happening regarding these mice and now the squirrel because they feel that the administration has not responded adequately to this problem.

In every way, their first year experiences thus far have been excellent. I am sure that none of them will object when I say that they feel that New College is the ideal community for a young undergraduate student. It is welcoming, exciting, friendly, and nurturing. However, the issue of the rodents has frustrated them to a point that it is affecting their mental and physical well-being. As someone who is here to support my students throughout this transition year in their lives, I feel that I also must do everything that I can to ensure that this problem is resolved immediately. With exams fast approaching in the next few days, I sincerely hope that more drastic and effective measures will be taken immediately to address these problems so that the students of our college can end this year on a positive note and succeed academically.

If you need to reach me at any time, please feel free to call me at 647 839 9878.

Sincerely,

Ayesha
NEW COLLEGE COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Monday, January 23, 2012
12:10 p.m., Room 2053, New College


Regrets: B. Ju, P. Russell

Business Arising from the Meeting of December 8, 2011

R. Vander Kraats reported that the new pest control company has been working towards two goals: (1) the elimination of as many mice as possible; and (2) identifying the points of entry for the mice. Good progress has been made thus far in containing the problem.

Motions for New College Constitution and Bylaws

The proposed revisions to the New College Constitution and Bylaws were circulated electronically prior to the meeting.

Y. Roberge explained that these revisions have arisen out of the UTQAP (University of Toronto Quality Assurance Process), which relates to the creation of new programs and the modification or deletion of existing programs, and every department that has the power to do this must ensure that the language in their constitution/documents conforms to the UTQAP process. This gave the College the opportunity to review and revise the Constitution and Bylaws using a template provided by Governing Council. An ad hoc committee, composed of S. Walker, A. Wasike, and Y. Roberge reviewed the existing document and transferred the information into the template, keeping track of what was being modified, added and deleted. Provided the Constitution document is approved by Council, it will be sent to the Academic Board for approval, and then to Governing Council for the final approval. The Bylaws document will not go through this process; provided it is approved by Council, it will immediately replace the existing Bylaws, although a copy will be sent to Governing Council for information.

Discussion regarding the Constitution:

NCSC suggested that Section V, point 5, should read “The Principal shall consult with Council on administrative proposals that may have a significant impact on the College. This change was accepted as a friendly amendment.
J. Newman asked if the “Powers, Duties and Responsibilities of the Principal” section is drawn from the “Policy on Appointment of Academic Administrators” document. Y. Roberge said that the Policy doesn’t specify the relationship between the Principal and the Council, but he would check to document to make sure.

J. Larkin asked why the new document lists the President of the University and the Vice-President and Provost as ex-officio of Council. Y. Roberge indicated that this is a requirement and reflects the way the College is constituted. J. Larkin asked in what situation would one of these individuals attend a meeting a Council. Y. Roberge said it would have to be an item of high interest for them, and perhaps they can be included in the list of invitees to meetings.

D. Knott suggested that Section VI.2, point 3 should read “the teaching assistants’, Writing Centre instructors’ and Sessional Lecturers’ representative will be elected by their members in September”

Y. Roberge moved, seconded by S. Walker, supported by J. Larkin, D. Knott and A. Wasike, that the document “University of Toronto – New College Constitution – Proposed Revised (6 December 2011) be established as amended as the Constitution of New College. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Discussion regarding the Bylaws:

It was noted by S. Walker section IV.1 should have the Striking Committee removed from the list. It was also noted that IV.4.1 needs to have the spelling of New College Writing Centre changed to New College Writing Centre to be consistent with the rest of the document. Finally, it was also noted that under IV.6 (Library Committee), the ex-officio should be listed after the members of the Council to be consistent with the rest of the document.

M. Bearor suggested that there should be a statement indicating the minimum number of times (e.g. once per semester) the Standing Committees will meet. Y. Roberge stated that Council can communicate with the Chair of a given Standing Committee and request that the Committee meet. Also, in an institution like New College, Committees evolve and eventually become obsolete. S. Wilmot supported the idea of regular meetings as it compels Council to consult with students. A. Wasike mentioned that Section IV.3.10 states that “all Standing Committees shall report to Council on their deliberations, recommendations, and decisions at least once in each academic year”, which means that each Committee would have to meet at least once per year. The suggestion was made to amend Section IV.3.4 to read “Each committee, with the exception of the Striking Committee, shall meet in person to elect its own Chair from among its members no later than thirty (30) working days after the membership of the committee is decided by Council”. This first meeting need not be long and could be used as an orientation meeting for its members.
C. Richards mentioned that Section I.2, point 6 states that “The alumni representatives will be appointed by the New College Alumni Association at their discretion”. However, there currently isn’t an alumni association. Y. Roberge suggested that the item be changed to “…appointed by the New College Alumni Council…”

J. Newman suggested that Section IV.3.13 be modified to read “…and shall be filled for the balance of the term in a manner decided by Council.” J. Larkin asked if this section should even be included in the By-Laws. Y. Roberge said that it is important that all groups have representation, and if a member is absent frequently, it means that a group is not being represented.

Y. Roberge moved, seconded by S. Walker, that the document “University of Toronto – By-Laws of Council Proposed Revised (6 December 2011) be established as amended as the By-Laws of the New College Council. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Report of the Principal

Y. Roberge reported the following:

- The Constitution and By-Laws will be posted on the New College Council once everything has been approved.
- Congratulations were extended to A. Guerson for successfully defending her thesis.
- The budget model of the New One program is currently being worked on. We need to make sure that the program is sustainable once the seed funding is gone.
- D. Knott mentioned that she and L. Manicom would welcome any suggestions for plenary speakers for the program. Y. Roberge indicated that the Provost has announced extra funding for the first-year program. This funding is tied to finding extra beds for first-year students in residence, which the Office of Residence and Student Life was able to do.
- African Studies, Caribbean Studies and Human Biology are having external reviews over the next three weeks. Each program is reviewed once every seven years.
- A presentation on the results of the 2010 Speaking Up Survey for staff was done. Y. Roberge and R. Vander Kraats attended. Unfortunately, the sample sizes are too small to get results for each individual college, so the constituent colleges were lumped together. In summary, staff in the Colleges rate their work experience highly and feel that U of T is a very good place to work. The Colleges score higher than U of T overall. There are no areas of severe dissatisfaction, although it was generally felt that recognition of the work done by staff could improve.
- Workload Policy: the UTFA agreement states that a workload policy, reviewed annually, for faculty and librarians must be in place. The policy for librarians is being developed centrally, but each unit prepares their own policy for faculty. Although there was a lot of back and forth between the College, HR and UTFA, the policy is now believed to be complete. We are just waiting for approval of the final draft by the Provost. Once this is done, we will likely need to re-visit our bylaws, as we will likely need a standing committee responsible for reviewing the policy to be created.
- There will be a Principal’s Lunch on February 17.
- The next meeting of Council will be on March 21 from 2-4pm.
R. Vander Kraats reported the following:

- **Budget and Residence Fees**
  PP&B met last week to discuss setting the residence fees for 2012-2013 as well as the ancillary budgets (residence and food services). The proposed budgets will be forwarded to the Service Ancillary Review Group (SARG), who will then forward it to the University Affairs Board and then to Governing Council. A five-year budget was presented, with a focus on next year. There is a modest increase in residence fees, ranging from 1% (bed over desk double room) to 3% (premium single room). Over the next five years, we should be able to reduce the accumulated deficit by $800,000 with this type of residence fee increase. The 2nd and 3rd floors of the 45 Willcocks will be reverted back to the residence beginning next year. The issue of funding the administrative space at 45 Willcocks has not yet been addressed, but it is hoped that there will be progress made on this in the upcoming meeting with the Planning & Budget Committee.

- **Building Renewal Projects**
  The Facilities Committee will meet soon to prioritize these projects. The roof project (Phase VII) will definitely go ahead.

- **Food Services**
  Aramark’s prices will increase 3.5% next year. Additionally, the Aramark commissions and removal of the penalty the College incurred when the two floors at 45 Willcocks were taken out of commission will result in a surplus in the budget of around $1 million. The kitchen is in need of renovation/refurbishing, and that should be managed over the next 3-4 years.

- **Wetmore Hall Classroom Project**
  After more than 2.5 years, this project is underway. Seven new, modern classrooms with state-of-the-art A/V equipment are being built in the basement of New College. The demolition is finished and construction is underway. All noisy work occurs after 4:00 p.m. so as to avoid disrupting classrooms. The projected completion date is June 1.

- **Elevator Refurbishing**
  The elevators in Wilson Hall and Wetmore Hall are being refurbished. The grant money for this project expires on April 1, so this is an incentive for the company to finish the work on schedule. Electronic access control, which is managed by U of T Police, is being added to the elevators as part of a wider project to improve perimeter security.

- **Lounge Improvements**
  New furniture has been added. The lighting in Wetmore Lounge will be improved, and additional power outlets are being added. The latest in wireless access points has been installed. Thanks were extended to NCSC and New College students, as these improvements are funded by the student capital levy. A thank you event is being planned for March.

- **Other Projects**
  - The Wetmore Hall roof is finished.
  - The worst parts of the external walls have been repaired.
A new surveillance system has been installed at the Porter’s Lodge to enhance security.

Two new residence rooms and their attached bathrooms have been made accessible to accommodate students with special needs.

The Wilson Hall Dining Room floor has been re-done. During this process, it was discovered that there was a large crack in the floor. This was unexpected, and is expensive to repair.

Discussion followed. Y. Roberge mentioned that the only capital project that the College submitted for the U of T fundraising campaign was the refurbishment of the quad. When searching for a donor, it is essential to have a “picture” of what the finished project what look like and an estimate of the costs. The architect who designed the NCSC office was contacted and he presented a design of improvements to the quad and to the “plaza” area, which is the gateway to the College. These designs were shown to the PP&B Committee last week and are available to see in the Principal’s Office. The entire College will be consulted before any final decisions are made.

Report from College Officers

- Development Office
  C. Richards reported the following:
  - The banners advertising New College’s 50th Anniversary are up.
  - The former Dean of Students, A. Yeoman, will be coming back for the spring reunion in May/June. She will give a brief talk with our alumni and friends.
  - New College alumni Dr. Jaymie Mathews, a noted astrophysicist, will re-launch the Jacob Bronowski Memorial Lecture Series in late March/early April.
  - An e-newsletter will be sent out later this month. In addition to College alumni, we are hoping to broaden distribution by including alumni of our programs.
  - New College alumni Viola Lobodowsky has established a scholarship (draft award record attached). It is to be awarded to a New College student enrolled in the Neuroscience Program. It is a $25,000 endowment, and the record references academic standing as well as financial need, allowing for matching funds.

Discussion followed. S. Walker suggested that the final statement “Preference is given to students who intend to go to medical school” be revised to “Preference is given to students who are interested in further studies in health sciences”.

C. Richards moved that the Viola Lobodowsky Scholarship in Neuroscience draft award record be approved as amended. CARRIED: 19 in favour, no objections and 1 abstention

- Communications
  P. Cox reported the following:
  - As part of the 50th Anniversary, a timeline of the College is being constructed. Contributions are welcome.
• **Office of Residence and Student Life**
  S. Wilmot reported the following:
  ♦ The Student Life showcase was held earlier this month and was very well attended by students, faculty, staff and partners.
  ♦ Tickets for the Raptors event are still being sold. Sales have been very good. Some students will be able to go to the ACC and play basketball on the basketball court there.
  ♦ 45 Willcocks was kept open over the holidays and everything ran smoothly. Around 110 students stayed. It is expected that this will be increasingly popular in the coming years.
  ♦ Current residents who wish to return to residence next year will be able to apply soon.
  ♦ A meeting will be held with Chestnut Residence administration to discuss admission strategies soon.

• **Vice Principal**
  J. Larkin reported the following:
  ♦ The first draft of the 2012-2013 timetable was submitted last Friday.
  ♦ All of our summer course proposals were approved, and we will be advertising for sessional lecturers to teach a number of these courses.
  ♦ Interviews for the Namibia internships are in progress. The candidates will be selected within the week and their orientation will begin next week. The students will be in Namibia from May until August.
  ♦ The Senior Doctoral Fellowship Speaker Series will begin in February. Eliza Chandler from Equity Studies will be the first speaker.

• **Alumni Office**
  B. Registe reported the following:
  ♦ Student interviews for the Career Mentorship program are concluding. There were approximately 65 applicants. A reception will be held on February 22. There will be several events as part of this program, including a financial planning session, which students in the past found very helpful.

**Report from Student Councils/Unions**

• **NCSC**
  M. Bearor reported the following:
  ♦ The “new” lounges are appreciated by students.
  ♦ A discussion was held at the last NCSC meeting regarding residence space allocation. A letter from NCSC was distributed outlining the Council’s position. It is felt that the proportion of professional faculty students to New College students needs to be re-examined, especially in the context of community building.
S. Wilmot thanked NCSC for their response and said that it will certainly be taken into consideration in future discussions.

- **NCRC**
  On behalf of NCRC, S. Wilmot reported that residents extend their thanks for the College’s efforts in dealing with the pest problem in the residence.

**Other Business**

There was no other business.

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m. on a motion by S. Walker, seconded by B. Russell.
**UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO**

**DRAFT AWARD RECORD**

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Dear New College Council,

The New College Student Council would like to take this opportunity to discuss the matter of residence space allocation within the New College residence system.

At the last New College Council meeting, on December 8th 2011, the council was presented with statistics regarding the current division of New College residence spaces amongst Arts & Science and Professional Faculty students. After discussing the matter for a lengthy period, we have come to the conclusion that the current ratio of 40% profession faculty to 60% arts and science students is much too high. Though we appreciate that in the past New College has embraced a multi-faculty college identity, it has come to the point where we are forgetting that, first and foremost, we are one of seven Arts & Science colleges at the University of Toronto. This means that our first allegiance should be with New College Arts & Science students. We have found that the Professional Faculty students are involved in the New College community during their years in residence, but after their brief one or two year stay, their allegiance switches solely to their faculty for their remaining years of studies. On the other hand, those Arts & Science students who live in residence in their first years are those that tend to remain most involved in their later years, helping strengthen and better the New College community.

By housing such a large number of professional faculty students at New College we are forcing more first year New College students into the Chestnut residence. I have had a chance to speak with a number of current and past Chestnut residents (New College affiliated) who feel extremely marginalized from the New College community, to the extent that they do not feel comfortable participating in events or even welcome to hang out in the lounges. This year, New College Student Council has attempted to reach out more to the students at Chestnut to help change this unfortunately common attitude. We are in the process of discussing the creation of a Chestnut representative position on our council for future years to help bridge the ever-widening gap between the New College community and New College students living at Chestnut.

We recognize that finding enough space for all first-year students, including those in professional faculties, is an issue that affects all colleges. New College, however, seems to be the college that is compromising the most and having its community of student involvement and cohesion at the college the most negatively affected. In the face of this campus-wide issue, it is time that an effort should be made to equalize the playing field and ask more from the other constituent colleges so that New College can have a chance to develop the strong community we strive towards.

As representatives of the New College student body we ask that New College strongly reevaluate their level of accommodations for Professional Faculty students into residence and strive to decrease the number of New College students at Chestnut. We are asking that the
College aim to bring the percentage of Professional Faculty Students down from 40% to 25%. And also make the appeal to central University of Toronto to have the rest of the constituent colleges ((Innis College, University College, and Woodsworth College)) to increase their admittance of professional faculty students to at least 10% each. This would greatly alleviate some of the burden that we, as a college and a community, have been taking on/forced to shoulder.

The New College Student Council is eager and willing to support the college on finding a solution to the issue at hand. We are excited to engage in discussions with the administration, and relevant parties, on the matter. We truly feel that we are blessed with more residence spaces opening in 45 Willcocks, it is rare that in a downtown area expansion can be so easy. But we would be very concerned if a majority, or any of those new spaces went to more Professional Faculty Students. We recognize that this is no easy task but it is a worthwhile one if we want to achieve the best community for our students. Please help us, help the New College community and let us work together in finding a solution that marginalizes the least number of students and helps foster a community that encourages active student involvement.

Sincerely,

Meg Bearor
President – New College Student Council

Christina Kim, Jack McGrath, Josh Fowler, and Julia Tsang
New College Council Student Representatives - NCSC

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