

SENATE

Responsibilities: David Bakhurst, QUPC Presentation

Date: Tuesday, April 30, 2013

Time/Location: 3:30 pm; Robert Sutherland Hall, Rm 202

Support person(s): Alan Harrison

Report

Since I last reported on the Queen's University Planning Committee (QUPC), the committee has met twice, on February 11, and April 15. On both occasions, the new budget model and the development of the budget for 2013-2014 were major items for discussion. Additionally, on February 11, the QUPC agenda included reports on the first two meetings of the Strategic Enrolment Management Group, and on the development of the Campus Master Plan, and on April 15, QUPC reviewed proposed changes to the mandate, role and composition of QUPC itself.

On February 11, the information provided to QUPC on the budget model and the budget for 2013-2014 was similar in scope and content to the information included the presentation at the March board meeting, which was also subsequently presented to Senate. The presentation on April 15 showed the effect on the budget for 2013-2014 of revised revenue projections, a major component of which was additional revenue from tuition. Revised figures for revenue 2012-2013 were also incorporated into the budget model, which led to increased hold-harmless levels of funding for Faculties and Schools in which the net budget in 2013-2014 would otherwise be less than the budget for 2012-2013.

Senate has also seen presentations on both enrolment and on the Campus Master Plan since the February 11 meeting of QUPC, which means that my report could most usefully conclude by offering a brief review of the discussion of QUPC itself at the April 15 meeting.

The main features of the proposed changes include an incorporation of many administrative functions of the Campus Planning and Development Committee (a Board committee with Senate appointees) into QUPC, broader representation of both the Board and Senate on QUPC, and responsibility for campus planning once the Campus Master Plan has been endorsed by the Board. Senate will, of course, have an opportunity to consider the mandate of QUPC at a future meeting.

I apologize that prior academic commitments mean that I cannot be at Senate's April 30 meeting to respond to questions about my report.

Respectfully submitted,

David Bakhurst