MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Institute of Biomaterials and Biomedical Engineering
Chairs and Directors, Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering

From: Cristina Amon, Dean, Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering
Daniel Haas, Dean, Faculty of Dentistry
Trevor Young, Dean, Faculty of Medicine

Date: November 20, 2017

Re: Appointment of Director, Institute of Biomaterials and Biomedical Engineering

We are pleased to announce the appointment of Professor Warren Chan as Director of the Institute of Biomaterials and Biomedical Engineering for a five-year term beginning January 1, 2018.

Warren joined the University of Toronto’s Institute of Biomaterials and Biomedical Engineering (IBBME) in 2002, was promoted to Associate Professor in 2008, and to Full Professor in 2012. He is currently a Distinguished Professor of Nanobioengineering, has been the recipient of the Kabiller International Nanomedicine Award (2015), NSERC E.W. Steacie Fellowship (2012), as well as a Canada Research Chair in Bionanoengineering from 2006-2016. He has previously served as the Collaborative Program Director (2008-2011) in IBBME and is currently an Associate Editor of ACS Nano.

Warren is an internationally recognized, leading researcher in the area of nanoengineering, where he is developing nanotechnology for the diagnosis and treatment of cancer and infectious diseases. He has published 91 peer-reviewed research articles, 7 book chapters, and 1 book. He has been cited over 36,000 times, given 142 invited presentations, and holds 15 patents/provisional patents.

Please join us in congratulating Warren on his appointment and wishing him all the best as he takes on this important role.

We extend thanks to the following members of the Advisory Committee in this search for their time and thoughtful input:

Professor Grant Allen, Chair, Department of Chemical Engineering and Applied Chemistry
Professor Ben Ganss, Vice-Dean Research, Faculty of Dentistry
Professor Penney Gilbert, IBBME
Professor Dawn Kilkenny, Teaching Stream, IBBME
Professor Alan Moody, Chair, Department of Medical Imaging
Mr. Ben Ouyang, Graduate Student, IBBME
Mr. Wilson Poon, Graduate Student, IBBME
We also take this opportunity to extend deepest gratitude and warm thanks on behalf of the three Faculties to Professor Craig Simmons for his outstanding leadership of the Institute over the last 6 months, as Interim Director, IBBME. Craig’s steadfast management of the Institute, in addition to his continued leadership of the Translational Biology & Engineering Program (TBEP), is commendable and very much appreciated.