York University
Faculty of Health Council

Notice of Meeting

Wednesday, March 6, 2019
3:00 pm – 4:30 pm

Dr. Robert Everett Senate Chamber
N940 Ross Building

Agenda

1. Chair’s Remarks
2. Minutes of the Meeting of January 9, 2019
3. Business arising from the minutes
4. Dean’s Remarks
5. AI Task Force, James Elder
6. Executive and Planning Committee Report
7. Curriculum Report
8. Senator’s Report
9. Other Business

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2018-2019 Faculty of Health Council Meetings, 3:00pm–4:30pm, Dr. Robert Everett Senate Chamber, N940 Ross Building:
Wednesday April 3, 2019
Wednesday May 1, 2019

All are welcome and encouraged to attend!
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FACULTY COUNCIL
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Minutes


Guests: R. Bishop, F. Clarke, K. Hetherington, M. Verrilli

1. Chair’s remarks
Vice-Chair C. Da Silva welcomed Council members and reminded Council members and guests to sign the attendance book and to note upcoming Council meetings.

2. Minutes of the Meeting December 5, 2018
Professor M. Fallah, moved, seconded by Professor H. Edgell, that the minutes of the December 5, 2018 meeting of Council be approved.

The motion carried.

3. Business Arising from the Minutes
There was no business arising from the minutes.

4. Dean’s Remarks
Dean McDonald welcomed Council members and commented on the discussion regarding the Graduate Committee held at the December meeting. He stated that the feedback received will be reflected in the next draft which will be presented to the Executive and Planning Committee for review later this month. A revised draft will come forward to an upcoming Council meeting.

Dean McDonald noted that Academic Innovation Fund proposals are due to Associate Dean S. Murtha no later than February 4, 2019 at 4:00pm. Proposals will be vetted, ranked and then submitted to the Provost’s Office by February 22, 2019.

Dean McDonald stated that a call for nominations was issued to form a working group to develop a comprehensive Internationalization Strategy for the University. Chaired by Provost L. Philipps, it will serve as the President’s advisory body. Those interested in serving on this advisory committee should submit a brief statement of interest which includes the knowledge and experience that you could bring to the committee. Nominations can be sent to provost@yorku.ca by January 16, 2019.
Dean McDonald commented that recent moves by the provincial government may have impacts on funding for post-secondary institutions. Ahead of the 2019-20 budget call, he asked that units consider preparing their budget with various scenarios in mind including budget cuts and recommending other funding opportunities for revenue growth.

5. Report of the Executive and Planning Committee
On behalf of the Executive and Planning Committee, Vice-Chair C. Da Silva made a call for nominations for the following vacancies:
1. Chair of Council
2. “At-large” seat on the Executive and Planning Committee
3. “At-large” seat on the Petitions Committee
4. Senate seat on the Academic Policy, Planning and Research Committee

No nominations were put forward at the Council meeting. These positions will remain vacant until filled. Members were encouraged to submit nominations to fill vacancies to K. Hetherington (khether@yorku.ca).

6. Curriculum Committee Report
On behalf of the Curriculum Committee, Professor M. Boni moved, seconded by Professor M. Morrow that the proposed changes to the Global Health Degree programs be approved, effective 2019-2020. The motion carried.

On behalf of the Curriculum Committee, Professor M. Boni moved, seconded by Professor L. Sergio that the proposed changes to the BHS program be approved, effective 2019-2020. The motion carried.

On behalf of the Curriculum Committee, Professor M. Boni moved, seconded by Professor J. Kuk that the closure of the Certificate in Psychometrics, housed in the Department of Psychology be approved. The motion carried.

7. Senator’s Report
Senator A. Perry provided the report for the December 13, 2018 meeting of Senate. She noted that President Lenton’s Kudos report acknowledged Professor A. Belcastro’s recent appointment as a Fellow of the Canadian Society of Exercise Physiology and also the work of Professor L. Harris who has designed an experiment which is being conducted on the International Space Station.

She noted that Senate honoured the retirement of R. Everett for his long-standing service and respect for collegial governance by renaming the Senate Chamber as the Dr. Robert Everett Senate Chamber.

President Lenton commented on the development of a pan-university Internationalization Strategy; provided an update on the possibility of potential government cut-backs and noted that she is working with others at the provincial level to build relationships with the government to help mitigate funding cuts; she commented on the discussions with the transit providers regarding access to campus; and gave a brief update that they are reviewing options for the expansion of the Markham campus.
Other items of interest included the establishment of a revisioned faculty that merges Geography and the Faculty of Environmental Studies and the approval of the Statement of Policy on Free Speech.

Senator A. Perry noted that while Professor A. Macpherson is on sabbatical that Professor D. Mutimer will serve as the interim Vice-Chair of Senate until June 30, 2019.

8. Other Business
There was no other business.

The meeting was adjourned

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R. Bishop, Secretary