

Faculty of Health Council meeting

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Senator's report

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Very short senate meeting, about 50 minutes.

The full Senate meeting synopsis is available online:

<https://secretariat.info.yorku.ca/files/Senate-Synopsis-20200123.pdf?x77557>

1) Introduction

The Chair of Senate, Prof. Macpherson, and President Lenton expressed sadness at the passing of three York University students in the recent plane crash near Tehran. The University will set up a new scholarship in honour of the victims.

2) Remarks from the President Rhonda Lenton

2.1) Draft of the Strategic Mandate Agreement (SMA3) can be accessed through Senate agenda,

2.2) Encouraging ongoing discussions with all levels of government on Markham Centre Campus.

3) Approvals

On the recommendation of the *Academic Standards, Curriculum and Pedagogy Committee*, the Senate did approve the followings:

3.1) Establishment of a new specialized honour option in Speech and Language Sciences within the Linguistics Sections, Dept of Languages, Literatures and Linguistics.

3.2) Establishment of a part-time option and changes to admission and degree requirements for the Master of Finance program (Schulich School of Business).

3.3) Deletion of MRP and thesis options and changes to degree requirements for the MA program in Dance, Graduate program in Dance.

3.4) Reduction in the coursework requirement for the Historical, Theoretical and Critical Studies in Psychology specialization within the PhD program in Psychology, Faculty of Health, effective FW2020-2021.

4) Committee reports

4.1) **Senate executive** - Ongoing review of the Principles Governing a Presidential Search; reminder that the call for expressions of interest in membership on Senate committees and other positions has been issued (see Senate webpage under Senate Elections).

4.2) Academic Policy, Planning and Research (APPRC) - Community consultations regarding the next University Academic Plan (UAP) will end this month and the APPRC sub-committee will then begin the preparation of a draft UAP document. Community members will be invited to provide input on it at an open forum planned on Thursday morning, March 05.

4.3) Appeals - In the absence of the Appeals Committee Chair, Senators were encouraged to address their questions regarding the annual report on faculty- and Senate- level petitions and appeals directly to the Secretariat for follow-up.