



York University  
Faculty of Health Council

Notice of Meeting

Wednesday, January 12, 2022  
3:00 pm – 4:30 pm  
Via Zoom

Agenda

1. Chair's Remarks
2. Business arising from the minutes
3. Dean's Remarks
4. Report of the Executive and Planning Committee
5. Report of the Curriculum Committee
6. Senator's Report
7. **Budget Consultation**, Rhonda Lenton, President & Vice Chancellor, Lisa Philipps, Provost & Vice-President Academic and Carol McAulay, Vice-President Finance & Administration
8. **Other Business**

**Consent Agenda**

Consent agenda items are deemed to be approved or received unless, prior to the start of the meeting, one or more Council members ask that they be dealt with as regular business.

1. Minutes of the Meeting of December 1, 2021

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Faculty of Health meetings support our mission to provide an innovative and supportive environment for learning, discovery and engagement. To ensure our common value of diversity is fully reflected, our events, publications and meetings make every effort to be accessible to all.

**2021-2022 Faculty of Health Council Meetings, 3:00pm–4:30pm:**

- Wednesday, February 2, 2022
- Wednesday, March 2, 2022
- Wednesday, April 6, 2022
- Wednesday, May 4, 2022

**All are welcome and encouraged to attend!**

**Faculty of Health  
FACULTY COUNCIL  
Wednesday, December 1, 2021  
Virtual Meeting - ZOOM  
Minutes**

**Attendance:** L. Appel, C. Ardern, M. Barranti, R. Bassett-Gunter, A. Belcastro, S. Bowerman, C. Buick, V. Cassar, R. Ceddia, S. Chinworth, J. Choiniere, T. Cleworth, J. Connolly, C. Da Silva, A. Daftary, A. De Lisio, M. Elsayed Elghobashy, O. Eyawo, L. Feldstein, K. Fergus, J. Fraser-Thomas, L. Gagliese, V. Geer, J. Goldberg, P. Govender, M. Hamadeh, L. Harris, S. Hillier, J. Hurley, L. Hynes, V. Jamnik, H. Jenkin, E. Jensen, A. Josse, A. Khalid, A. Krahn, C. Kurtz-Landy, L. Lamarche, L. Lum, A. Macpherson, C. Mallette, P. McDonald, B. Meisner, T. Mgwigwi, G. Mohammad, A. Moore, S. Moradian, M. Morrow, S. Murtha, A. Paul, E. Peisachovich, T. Penney, A. Petro, A. Phillips, S. Premji, P. Rahimpoor-Marnani, B. Richards, C. Rowan, J. Ruttle, L. Seto Nielsen, A. Shnier, N. Stuckless, C. van Daalen-Smith, L. van Dreumel, A.M. Viens

**Guests:** F. Arshad, R. Bishop, F. Byrdine, P. Calderon-Valdivia, F. Clarke, C. Corson, Y. Delaviz, T. Espinosa-Merlano, J. Fung, C. Goodfellow, J. Hard, K. Hetherington, D. Lam, S. Mitchell-Hutson, A. Morgani, K. Ong, C. Rhodes, S. Seo, J. Si, A. Stypka, J. Sundaramoorthy, B. Tepperman, M. Verrilli, A. Wiscicka, P. Zargham

**1. Chair's remarks**

Chair A. Moore welcomed members and explained how the meeting would be conducted online.

**2. Business Arising from the Minutes**

There was no business arising from the minutes.

**3. Dean's Remarks**

Dean McDonald welcomed Council members and highlighted the progress that the Faculty has made despite recent challenges.

The Faculty of Health is projected to exceed overall undergraduate enrolment targets this year due to a strong intake of domestic students. At the graduate level, masters enrolments are slightly below target but have improved and doctoral enrolments have slightly surpassed expectations.

He commented that the faculty complement is at an all-time high. There was approval to hire 15 faculty members in 2021 and ten of those positions are now filled. Health now also has the largest number of Research Chairs in its history.

The current budget boasts a surplus of funding which has allowed opportunities for space renovations and expansions. Funding has been committed to renovations including wet labs in Farquarson West and physiology and nutrition labs in the Behavioural Science Building. Additional funds supported recent renovations in Stong College and some funding will be reserved for renovations in HNES, the existing Sherman Building and several other research spaces.

Dean McDonald also commented on the enhanced program offerings such as Neuroscience, a new direct-entry Nursing program and innovations in Psychology and Kinesiology. There are also proposals in progress for doctorates in Global Health, new undergraduate offerings in Health and Disability Justice and professional masters degrees in Health Informatics and Intelligence, Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy and Professional Kinesiology.

He closed by thanking members for their continuing efforts during these challenging times and stressed that these achievements were made possible by the extraordinary efforts and understanding of the faculty, staff, and students.

#### **4. Colleges Presentation – Annual Report to Council**

Associate Dean M. Hamadeh introduced the presentation and provided some context regarding the Calumet and Stong programming and the updated Colleges Strategic Plan 2020-2025.

College staff and peer leaders spoke about the extensive student success programs offered to HH students, including the strengths and opportunities for each program, as well as the impact and challenges posed by the pandemic.

Full presentation and program materials are available for reference on the Faculty Council website.

#### **5. Report of the Executive and Planning Committee**

R. Bishop provided the report. The three vacancies for Council positions include: Vice Chair of Council, Faculty of Health APPRC representative and Faculty of Health Representative for the Sub-Committee on Honorary Degrees and Ceremonials and will remain vacant until filled. Expressions of interest can be made to Katie Hetherington.

#### **6. Report of the Graduate Committee**

Associate Dean C. Ardern motioned, seconded by Professor M. Morrow that Council approve the recommendation to change GS/CDIS 5120 3.0 Critical Disability Law from a required course to an elective in the Critical Disability Studies Program, effective Fall 2022. The motion carried.

Associate Dean C. Ardern motioned, seconded by Professor S. Hillier that Council approve the recommendation to revise the Critical Disability Studies Program admission requirements regarding the number of recommendation letters for admission files. CDS will change the requirement from three letters of recommendation to two letters effective Fall 2022. The motion carried.

#### **7. Senator's Report**

Associate Dean, M. Hamadeh provided the Senators report to Faculty Council for the November Senate meeting. The full Senate report is available on the Senate website.

Highlights of the report included:

- The President's Report which addressed:

- the continued prioritization of the health and safety of the community while implementing the full return to on-campus activities
  - the development of the Winter Safety Strategy
  - an update on the provincial government Fall Economic Statement
  - York's advocacy efforts with the COU
  - the signing of the Scarborough Charter on Anti-Black Racism and Black Inclusion in Canadian Higher education
  - the progress on the proposal for a School of Medicine at York
  - the development of a Campus Vision and Strategy
  - an announcement that York will host the Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences in 2023
- The Provost presented the report on Complement and Enrolment
  - ASCP recommended the approval of some proposed Markham campus programming in Engineering and Science
  - The Executive Committee reported on the ongoing monitoring of the pandemic on academic activities; its approval of the Student Senate Committee members; the consideration of a request to have a Senate discussion on the academic implications of the Anti-Blank Racism Framework and the draft Action Plan on Black Inclusion
  - APPRC reported on the Faculty Completment Renewal Strategy and enrolments; Markham Centre Campus planning; the Draft Action Plan for the implementation of the Framework to address Anti-Black Racism

The full report is available on the Senate and Faculty Council websites for review.

## **8. Other Business**

There was no other business

The meeting adjourned.

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R. Bishop, Secretary

**Report of the Executive and Planning Committee  
of the Faculty of Health  
January 2022**

**1. Continuation of Virtual Meetings**

The Faculty of Health Executive and Planning Committee would like to recommend that the remaining Faculty Council meetings and the remaining meetings for the Standing Committees of Council for continue to be conducted virtually until June 2022.

**2. Call for Nominations**

The Faculty of Health Executive and Planning Committee is seeking nominations for the following vacancies:

- Vice-Chair of Council
- Faculty of Health Representative for the Committee on Academic Policy, Planning and Research (APPRC)
- Faculty of Health Representative for the Sub-Committee on Honorary Degrees and Ceremonials

**a) Vice-Chair of Council**

Vice-Chair of Faculty of Health Council (two-year term, July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2023 – first year serving as Vice-Chair, second year serving as Chair)

At the time of the writing this report, the Executive and Planning Committee of the Faculty of Health Council did not receive any nominations for the position of Vice-Chair of Council.

Additional nominations may be made from the floor of Council.

**b) Faculty of Health Designated Seat on The Academic Policy, Planning and Research Committee (1 vacancy)**

Three-year term of office, July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2024.

At the time of the writing this report, the Executive and Planning Committee of the Faculty of Health Council received one nomination for the position of Faculty of Health representative on the Academic Policy, Planning and Research Committee (APPRC):

**Monique Herbert, Department of Psychology.**

Please note that while Monique will be on sabbatical from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023, Julie Conder has agreed to serve in this role.

For more information, please visit:

<https://secretariat.info.yorku.ca/senate/academic-policy-planning-and-research-committee/>

**Outgoing Faculty of Health APPRC member:**

Eva Peisachovich, School of Nursing

**c) Senate Sub-Committee on Honorary Degrees and Ceremonials (1 vacancy)**

Three-year term of office, July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2024

At the time of the writing this report, the Executive and Planning Committee of the Faculty of Health Council did not receive any nominations for the position of Faculty of Health representative on the Senate Sub-Committee on Honorary Degrees and Ceremonials.

Additional nominations may be made from the floor of Council.

For more information, please visit:

<http://secretariat.info.yorku.ca/senate/sub-committee-on-honorary-degrees-and-ceremonials/>

**Outgoing Senate Sub-Committee on Honorary Degrees and Ceremonials member:**

Chris Ardern, School of Kinesiology and Health Science

## ITEMS FOR ACTION (6):

### 1. Department of Psychology

#### a. Establishment of the Counselling and Mental Health Disciplinary Certificate • Department of Psychology • Faculty of Health

The Curriculum Committee recommends that Council approves the establishment of the Counselling and Mental Health Disciplinary Certificate housed in the Faculty of Health, effective FW 2022-23.

#### **Rationale:**

As outlined in the full proposal, provided as Appendix A, the certificate is designed to provide students with the foundational knowledge, critical thinking, therapeutic relationship and self-reflection skills necessary for future clinically oriented careers. Students will use empirical research and experiential learning to study the continuum of human psychological experience as well as the psychological skills, therapeutic relationships and interventions that have been developed to address cognitive, emotional, and behavioural disturbances across the lifespan.

#### b. Changes to the degree requirements to the Honours Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Science Degree Programs • Department of Psychology • Faculty of Health

The Curriculum Committee recommends that Council approves the minor changes to the Honours Bachelor of Science and Bachelor Science degree programs housed in the Faculty of Health, effective FW 2022-23.

#### **Rationale:**

As outlined in the full proposal, provided as Appendix B, the proposed removal of retired/expired courses ensure that the degree requirements are up to date in the university's undergraduate academic calendar.

## **2. School of Global Health**

### **Changes to the degree requirements to the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science Degree Programs • School of Global Health • Faculty of Health**

The Curriculum Committee recommends That Council approves the minor changes to the program requirements for BA/BSc (90 credits), Honours BA/BSc (120 credits), Specialized Honours BA/BSc (120 credits) in Global Health housed in the Faculty of Health, effective FW 2022-23:

#### **Rationale:**

As outlined in the full proposal, provided as Appendix C, the proposed removal of courses is either retired, inactive, expired, had substantive overlapping content (SHPM), or our students' access was revoked by another department (Nursing).

## **3. School of Kinesiology and Health Science**

### **Changes to the degree requirements to the Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science Degree Programs • School of Kinesiology and Health Science • Faculty of Health**

The Curriculum Committee recommends that Council approves the minor changes to the program requirements for Honours BA/BSc (120 credits) and Specialized Honours BA/BSc (120 credits) in Kinesiology and Health Science housed in the Faculty of Health, effective FW 2022-23:

#### **Rationale:**

As outlined in the full proposal, provided as Appendix D, the proposed removal of retired courses ensure that the degree requirements are up to date in the university's undergraduate academic calendar.

## **4. Neuroscience**

### **a. Establishment of faculty rules for the Specialized Honours Bachelor of Science Neuroscience Degree • Faculty of Health**

The Curriculum Committee recommends that Council approves establishing rules for internal transfers or re-entry for students who did not make the qualifying threshold after first year, effective FW 2022-23:

**Rationale:**

As outlined in the full proposal, provided as Appendix E, there is currently no mechanism for internal transfers or re-entry for students who did not make the qualifying threshold after first year. This will open the possibility for internal BSc students to transfer into or re-entry the NRSC program which will allow the program to retain or attract more students and give them the opportunity to achieve the learning objectives.

**b. Changes to the qualifying period and continuation requirements for Specialized Honours Bachelor of Science Neuroscience Degree • Faculty of Health**

The Curriculum Committee recommends that Council approves changes to the qualifying period and continuation requirements, effective FW 2022-23:

**Rationale:**

As outlined in the full proposal, provided as Appendix F, the qualifying threshold is confusing given the interpretation of the GPA to a letter grade (B+) is the same regardless of whether 7.50 or 7.00 is used. As well some students were failing to achieve the 7.50 GPA while still maintaining a 7.00 GPA. The lack of a 7.50 GPA meant that we were having to waive on a case by cases basis this criteria so that students who still had a B+ average but whose GPA dropped below 7.5 could be retained in the program.