



**York University
Faculty of Health Council**

Notice of Meeting

**Wednesday, May 4, 2022
3:00 pm – 4:30 pm
Via Zoom**

Agenda

- 1. Chair's Remarks**
- 2. Business arising from the minutes**
- 3. Draft EDI Strategy**, Dr. Sheila Cote-Meek, Vice-President Equity, People and Culture
- 4. Dean's Remarks**
- 5. Report of the Executive and Planning Committee**
- 6. Report of the Graduate Committee**
- 7. Senator's Report**
- 8. Faculty of Health Dean's Awards**, Susan Murtha
- 9. Other Business**
 - Deferral of the Implementation of the New Grading Schemes

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 April 6, 2022

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.

2022-2023 Faculty of Health Council Meetings, 3:00pm–4:30pm:

- TBD

All are welcome and encouraged to attend!

**Faculty of Health
FACULTY COUNCIL
Wednesday, April 6, 2022
Virtual Meeting - ZOOM
Minutes**

Attendance: C. Ardern, M. Barranti, R. Bassett-Gunter, A. Belcastro, A. Berthelot-Raffard, Y. Bohr, S. Bowerman, C. Buick, V. Cassar, R. Ceddia, C. Chaufan, S. Chinworth, J. Choiniere, T. Cleworth, J. Connolly, A. Daftary, F. Dastjerdi, N. Davis Halifax, A. De Lisio, K. Fallon, L. Feldstein, K. Fergus, J. Fraser-Thomas, L. Gagliese, J. Goldberg, P. Govender, M. Hamadeh, S. Hillier, L. Hynes, V. Jamnik, H. Jenkin, E. Jensen, C. Kurtz-Landy, L. Lum, A. Macpherson, C. Mallette, B. Meisner, T. Mgwigi, G. Mochizuki, G. Mohammad, A. Moore, M. Morrow, M. Mosher, S. Murtha, L. Nicholson, J. Orbinski, A. Paul, K. Pedernal, T. Penney, A. Petro, L. Philipps, A. Phillips, M. Poirier, S. Premji, N. Richardson, M. Rotondi, C. Rowan, J. Ruttle, A. Sadeghi, L. Seto Nielsen, N. Stuckless, O. Thomas, C. van Daalen-Smith, L. van Dreumel, A.M. Viens, T. Xerri, X. Zhao, G. Zoidl

Guests: A. Asif, M. Beharry, R. Bishop, P. Calderon-Valdivia, A. Charnaw, F. Clarke, C. Corson, Y. Delaviz, A. Furlano, A. Galli, G. Gringhuis, R. Gritsyuk, J. Hard, K. Hetherington, D. Lam, C. Lau, J. Lederman, R. Metcalfe, S. Mitchell-Hutson, A. Ozog, S. Pereira, L. Solomon, J. Sundaramoorthy, O. Valero, M. Verrilli, S. Whitaker, A. Wiscicka

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. Vaughan Healthcare Precinct and School of Medicine Proposal Discussion

Provost L. Philipps thanked Council for inviting her to attend and proposed that more consistent conversations with the Faculty be established. She also suggested visits with each of the HH units for more focussed discussions. Regarding the School of Medicine proposal, she commented that, notwithstanding the approval of other medical schools in the GTA, York's proposal was still submitted and will be reviewed. This will ensure York continues to be prepared as the process moves forward.

Provost Philipps addressed several areas and questions from Council members including:

- What role will existing programs play in the new medical school?
- Where can the faculty identify strategic alignment between program offerings and gaps in medicine?
- What courses could be identified as connecting with medical school curriculum?
- Where can we cross-appoint faculty to support curriculum, practicum and experiential education opportunities?
- Where can we attract applicants from within our community?
- How can patients be seen in their natural areas rather than in a hospital? Can community outreach in these areas be supported?

- Have there been other community-based consultations with existing institutions and partnerships?
- What non-traditional health care centre partnerships can be supported in underserved areas?
- What strong land-based learning opportunities would be considered and potentially available?

VPRI, A. Asif thanked council for a great conversation and added that there should also be further discussion about research centres and research excellence. He encouraged members to think about opportunities to focus on post-graduate studies and collaborative centres.

4. Dean's Remarks

Dean Murtha welcomed Council members and thanked them for the comments and discussion regarding the Vaughan Healthcare Precinct and the School of Medicine Proposal. She is looking forward to determining the next steps and creating opportunities for consistent engagement with the Provost on these issues.

Dean Murtha stated that the Faculty of Health appears to be on track to reach its undergraduate enrolment targets. She also commented that the licensing numbers for the Colleges of Nurses of Ontario are improving and provided kudos to the School of Nursing for this increase.

Dean Murtha shared high-level survey results with Council members regarding a survey taken by five thousand undergraduate students. The survey was administered roughly the same time last year regarding online learning opportunities. Students were more positive about the experiential education opportunities, indicated that class recordings helped refer to materials more effectively, thus improving their learning.

Dean Murtha reminded Council members of the APPRC planning forum scheduled for April 7, 2022 and encouraged members to attend.

In her closing comments, she acknowledged the addition of a Tier II Canada Research Chair in Global Health, the addition of a Carswell Chair in the School of Health Policy and Management, Professor C. Perry receiving a 2-year grant for targeted research, and a feature in the Global and Mail regarding research by Professors Y. Bohr, J. Weiss and H. Prime.

5. Report of the Executive and Planning Committee

R. Bishop provided the report. There was a call for nominations for the upcoming vacancies for Council positions including: Vice Chair of Council, At-large member on the Executive and Planning Committee, At-large member on the Petitions Committee, Faculty of Health Senator and Faculty of Health Representative for the Sub-Committee on Honorary Degrees and Ceremonials. Nominations and/or expressions of interest can be made to Katie Hetherington. Elections will take place at the May Faculty Council meeting as needed.

6. Report of the Curriculum Committee

Professor E. Jensen motioned, seconded by Professor L. van Dreumel approves the following changes to the Bachelor of Health Studies degree programs and minor, effective Fall 2023:

- Merge three existing Specialized Honours BHS degrees into one
- Change names of Specialized Honours Degree and Health Informatics Certificate
- Closure of existing Specialized Honours BHS programs
- Change Minor to Health Policy, Management & Digital Health

The motion carried.

7. Senator's Report

In lieu of an in-person Senator's report, a link to the Senate synopsis was provided online and Council members were encouraged to review the materials. Questions pertaining to Senate items can be directed to K. Hetherington for further follow-up.

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

8. Other Business

Chair A. Moore reminded Council members of the Senate-sponsored APPRC planning forum on Thursday, April 7, 2022. Registration is required. Full details, including the registration link, were posted to the Council website.

The meeting adjourned.

R. Bishop, Secretary

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

1. Summer Authority

The Executive and Planning Committee recommends that, until the first regular meeting of the Faculty of Health Council in Fall 2022, the Executive and Planning Committee shall possess and may exercise any or all of the powers, authorities and discretions vested in or exercisable by Council, and that the Executive and Planning Committee shall report to Council at its first regular meeting in the Fall, what action has been taken under this authority.

2. Ratification of Student Senators

The Executive and Planning Committee would like to notify Faculty Council that the Student Senator elections process was administered in accordance with the Rules and Procedures of Faculty Council and a candidate was elected.

The Faculty of Health Student Senators are:

Mohamed Elsayed Elghobashy, Student Senator - July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2023
Amireza Goli, Student Senator - July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2024

3. Call for Nominations

Processes to fill vacancies on Standing Committees of Council have begun in the Schools/Departments. Please connect with your nominating committee for more information.

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

a) Vice-Chair of Council

Vice-Chair of Faculty of Health Council (two-year term, July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2024 – 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) At-large seat on the Executive and Planning Committee (1 vacancy)

One at-large seat on the Executive and Planning Committee (two-year term of office, July 1, 2022 - 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 at-large seat on the Executive and Planning Committee.

Additional nominations may be made from the floor of Council.

Membership (Designated):

Dean

Associate Deans

Chair, Department of Psychology

Chair, School of Health Policy & Management

Chair, School of Kinesiology & Health Science

Director, School of Nursing

Director, School of Global Health

Masters, Calumet College & Stong College

Chair of Council

Vice-Chair of Council

Secretary of Council

'At large' Representatives (2)*

Student Representatives (2)

Continuing at-large member

Cheryl van Daalen-Smith, School of Nursing

Outgoing at-large member*

Oghenowede Eyawo, School of Kinesiology and Health Science

*The two members who are elected at-large by Council shall not be from the same School/Department.

c) At-large seat on Petitions Committee (1 vacancy)

One at-large seat on the Petitions Committee (two-year term of office, July 1, 2022 - 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 at-large member of the Petitions Committee.

Additional nominations may be made from the floor of Council.

Membership (Designated):
Associate Dean
Department of Psychology (2)
School of Health Policy & Management (2)
School of Kinesiology & Health Science (2)
School of Nursing (2)
Student Representatives (4)
'At large' Representative (2)*

Continuing at-large member:

Kristine Pedernal, School of Nursing

Outgoing at-large member:

Heather Jenkin, Department of Psychology

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d) Faculty of Health Senator (1 vacancy)

Faculty of Health Senator (three-year term of office, July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2025)

See <http://secretariat.info.yorku.ca/senate/> for more information.

At the time of the writing this report, the Executive and Planning Committee of the Faculty of Health Council received the following nominations for the position of Faculty of Health Senator:

Oghenowede Eyawo, School of Kinesiology & Health Science

Peter Tsisis, School of Health Policy and Management

Additional nominations may be made from the floor of Council.

Membership (Designated):
Dean, Faculty of Health
Chair, Department of Psychology
Chair, School of Health Policy & Management
Chair, School of Kinesiology & Health Science
Director, School of Nursing

Continuing Senate members (elected):

Julie Conder, Department of Psychology

Mazen Hamadeh, School of Kinesiology and Health Science
Celina Da Silva, School of Nursing
Peter Jes Kohler, Department of Psychology
Cheryl van Daalen-Smith, School of Nursing
Brad Meisner, School of Kinesiology and Health Science
Alison Macpherson, School of Kinesiology and Health Science
Lora Appel, School of Health Policy and Management

Outgoing Senate members:

Sherry Grace, School of Kinesiology and Health Science

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

Three-year term of office, July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2025

At the time of the writing this report, the Executive and Planning Committee of the Faculty of Health Council received the following nomination for the position Faculty of Health representative on the Senate Sub-Committee on Honorary Degrees and Ceremonials:

Catriona Buick, School of Nursing

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:

Position is currently vacant.

**Graduate Committee Report
Faculty of Health Council
May 6, 2022**

ITEMS FOR ACTION:

1. Program Change Proposal • Department of Psychology • Faculty of Health

The Graduate Committee recommends the following change to the Graduate Program in Psychology in the areas of i) Social-Personality (SP), and ii) Brain, Behaviour Cognitive Sciences (BBCS):

The Graduate Committee recommends removal of the History requirement for PhD Students in SP and BBCS, thus reducing the number of courses that students in those two areas need to take to fulfill their degree requirements.

Rationale:

A review of the course requirements for comparable graduate programs in SP and BBCS and student feedback suggests that current course requirements in these programs are high, and may impact research productivity and timely completion of degree requirements. The heavier course load in these areas may limit the time that students can devote to research (and to developing a competitive publication record), which provides students at other institutions with more time to conduct research at an earlier stage in their careers. Given the need to support research excellence among our students and to facilitate greater competitiveness for them on the academic job market, we recommend reducing the number of required courses by 3.0 credits at the PhD level by removing the History and Theory requirement at the PhD level (PSYC 6020 or PSYC 6030) from SP and BBCS course requirements.

2. School of Health Policy and Management

Course Change Proposal • School of Health Policy and Management • Faculty of Health

The Graduate Committee recommends the removal of Public Policy and Health (GS / HLTH 5485) as a pre-requisite for the Directed Studies in Health Studies course (GS / HLTH 5000), effective Fall, 2023.

Rationale:

With an increasing diversity of program offerings, including a new field in Health Management and Health Data Analytics, removal of the Public Policy and Health (GS /

HLTH 5485) pre-requisite will allow for flexibility of directed course content that meets the varied needs and wide range of backgrounds of the students in the Program.

3. School of Health Policy and Management

Course Change Proposal • School of Health Policy and Management • Faculty of Health

The Graduate Committee recommends that Council approves the following two courses in the Graduate Program in Health:

- *HLTH 6240 3.0: Health Data Visualization*
- *HLTH 6270 3.0: Machine Learning for Health*

Rationale:

The collection, organization, and interpretation of increasingly large volumes and types of data from multiple sources is integral to nearly every aspect of healthcare. As part of the new field in Health Management and Health Data Analytics, a new course in Health Data Visualization (HLTH 6240) and Machine Learning for Health (HLTH 6270) have been developed to fill this need. Data visualization, or the graphical representation of information and data will help helps to tell stories by curating data into a form easier to understand, helping diverse stakeholders make more informed decisions. The Health Data Visualization (HLTH 6240) course aligns with the faculty educational objectives and will prepare students to fill a need for data analytics skills in the healthcare system. There are no other graduate courses on offer that focus on health data visualization that are similar to HLTH 6240. With Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence applications thriving in the healthcare domain, Machine Learning for Health (HLTH 6270) will introduce the principles of Machine Learning and their applications in healthcare, equipping students with in-depth understanding on the data use and Machine Learning techniques and skills. As part of the new field-specific courses in in Health Management and Health Data Analytics, these two courses will add unique analytics-oriented offerings to the program, and complement existing health management and knowledge utilization courses already approved in the program.