York University
Faculty of Health Council

Notice of Meeting

Wednesday, October 4, 2023
3:00 pm – 4:30 pm
HYBRID – Senate Chamber, Ross N940 & 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. Report of the Committee on Examinations and Academic Standards
7. Dean’s Awards, David Peters
8. Faculty of Health Strategic Plan, Parissa Safai
9. Lightning Talk, A. Muise, Department of Psychology
10. Senator’s Report: September 2023
11. 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 September 6, 2023

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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.

2023-2024 Faculty of Health Council Meetings, 3:00pm–4:30pm:
- Wednesday, November 1, 2023
- Wednesday, December 6, 2023
- Wednesday, January 10, 2024
- Wednesday, February 7, 2024
- Wednesday, March 6, 2024
- Wednesday, April 3, 2024
- Wednesday, May 1, 2024

All are welcome and encouraged to attend!
Faculty of Health
FACULTY COUNCIL
Wednesday, September 6, 2023
Hybrid Meeting: Senate Chamber Ross N940 and ZOOM

Minutes


1. Chair’s remarks
Chair of Council, A. Moore welcomed members and explained how the meeting would be conducted in a hybrid setting.

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

3. Faculty of Health Strategic Plan Update
Professor P. Safai provided an update on Phase 3 of the Strategic Planning process. She thanked Council members for their responses to the surveys, focus groups and interviews that were completed during the initial phases. She outlined the approach the drafting committee took during Phase 3 to develop the initial mission, vision and values statements.

P. Safai asked Council members to provide feedback on the Phase 3 materials via survey by September 20 and outlined the timeline for the community consultations (Phase 4) which will be implemented in the fall.

4. Sustainability Efforts Presentation
M. Layton, Chief Sustainability Officer (CSO), presented to Council. He outlined York’s sustainability priorities and current activities. He discussed the proposed framework for 2023 and beyond and explained how people can find ways to support and engage in consultation opportunities. He also provided background context regarding the
Sustainability Innovation Fund (SIF) and the types of projects that are supported through this initiative.

The presentation has been posted to the Council website.

5. **Dean’s Remarks**
Dean D. Peters welcomed Council members to a new academic term. He began his remarks by thanking P. Safai and the members of the drafting team and advisory board for their support with the development of the Strategic Plan. He thanked Council members for their support in the consultation process and expressed his gratitude at the levels of engagement that he has witnessed. He noted that more external consultations would follow. He reminded Council members that the Strategic Plan would be a living document that continues to change and develop over time. Dean Peters acknowledged the need to reorganize the Dean’s office to fulfill areas of the Strategic Plan where gaps may exist.

He noted that the budget constraints will remain in place throughout 2023-2024 and likely continue until there are changes in the way that the province funds higher education. This situation is not unique to York and continues to be the case for many post-secondary institutions. The budget situation will result in the enrolment plan and enrolment distributions remaining at current levels to ensure the quality of retention and teaching remains consistent. The Faculty will work towards finding sustainable financing through new professional programs.

Dean Peters noted that there has been no additional news regarding a medical school, however the province met with the University throughout the summer. The province has requested that York continues to meet with clinical and community partners while the process is on-going.

Finally, Dean Peters concluded his remarks with acknowledgements and kudos.

6. **Report of the Executive and Planning Committee**
R. Bishop provided the report. He noted that the Executive and Planning Committee did not exercise summer authority conferred upon it by Council in May 2023.

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, At-large member on the Petitions Committee and Faculty of Health Senator. Nominations and/or expressions of interest for the remaining Council vacancies can be made to K. Hetherington via email.

7. **Report of the Committee on Examinations and Academic Standards**
Associate Dean M. Hamadeh provided the report. He summarized the activities of CEAS and noted that the committee continues to have oversight for Faculty grade exercises. He reviewed the statistics associated with academic honesty and the distribution of Faculty awards and medals.

8. **Report of the Committee on Research and Awards**
Associate Dean C. Ardern provided the report. RAC was responsible for the adjudication of the following grants/awards:
   - Conference Travel Funds
• Minor Research Grants
• Junior Faculty Funds
• Collaborative Community-Based Research Seed Grant

9. **Report of the Graduate Committee**
Associate Dean C. Ardern provided the report. The Graduate Committee activities during 2022-2023 included the adjudication of the following grants/awards:
- Graduate Student Conference Travel Funds
- The graduate student component of the Meighen Wright Foundation Maternal-Child Health Scholars Program
- March of Dimes Graduate Scholarship
- Sammy Graduate Scholarship in Autism Research
- Graduate Student Short Course and Workshop Fund
- Harvey Skinner Agents of Change Award for graduate students

10. **Report of the Petitions Committee**
Professor M. Barranti provided the report. He noted that the committee adjudicated close to 1000 petitions during the 2022-2023 academic year. He noted that the full details of the report were posted to the Council website. Lastly, he urged Council members to consider becoming involved with the committee as it oversees important work for Faculty of Health students.

11. **Report of the Committee on Tenure & Promotions**
The report for the Committee on Tenure and Promotions was posted to the Council website for members to review.

12. **Senator’s Report**
In lieu of an in-person Senator’s report for May and June 2023, a link to each 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 reports are available on the Senate and Faculty Council websites for review.

13. **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
October 2023

1. Consent Agenda Items
   The Executive and Planning Committee recommends that annual committee reports and items not requiring explicit discussion will go to the consent agenda.

2. Call for Nominations
   Processes to fill vacancies on Standing Committees of Council will begin shortly in Schools/Department. Please connect with your nominating committee for more information.

   The Faculty of Health Executive and Planning Committee is seeking nominations for the following vacancies:
   - Vice-Chair of Council
   - At-large member of the Executive & Planning Committee
   - At-large member of the Petitions Committee
   - Faculty of Health Senators

   a) **Vice-Chair of Council**
      Vice-Chair of Faculty of Health Council (two-year term, July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2025 – 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, 2023 - June 30, 2025).

      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 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
College Heads, 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
Michael Rotondi, 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 (2 vacancies)
Two at-large seats on the Petitions Committee (two-year term of office, July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2025).

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 positions of at-large member of the Petitions Committee.

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)*

Outgoing at-large member:
Kristine Pedernal, School of Nursing
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d) **Faculty of Health Senator (1 vacancy)**
Faculty of Health Senator (three-year term of office, July 1, 2023 - June 30, 2026)

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 Senator.

**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
Director, School of Global Health

**Continuing Senate members (elected):**
Brad Meisner, School of Kinesiology and Health Science
Alison Macpherson, School of Kinesiology and Health Science
Lora Appel, School of Health Policy and Management
Peter Tsasis, School of Health Policy and Management
Oghenowede Eyawo, School of Global Health/School of Kinesiology and Health Science
Mazen Hamadeh, School of Kinesiology & Health Science
Celina Da Silva, School of Nursing
ITEM FOR ACTION:

1. Department of Psychology

    Change to the requirements for the Counselling & Mental Health Certificate • Department of Psychology • Faculty of Health

The Curriculum Committee recommends that Council approves adding additional courses for the Counselling & Mental Health Certificate in Psychology, set out as Appendix A, effective FW 2024-25:

Rationale:

By making PSYC 4063 3.00 optional, we will be creating room to incorporate into the C&MH Certificate a requirement that all recipients of the Certificate have taken at least one course along the theme of ‘Attachment and Interpersonal Relationships.’ This cluster of courses will include:

    PSYC 3640 3.00: Psychology of Intimate Relationships
    PSYC 3630 3.00: Psychology of the Family
    PSYC 3560 3.00: Psychology of Death and Dying
    PSYC 3670 3.00: Psychology of Sexual Orientation

Such topics are highly relevant to the field of mental health and will equip students with more nuanced knowledge about family, interpersonal relationship, and/or death and grief processes that are fundamental to clinical mental health practice.
ITEM FOR INFORMATION:

1. School of Nursing

   - Revisions to the Policy on Student Professional Behaviour (BScN)
   - Rescindment of Policy on Social Media (BScN)

The Faculty of Health Council approved revisions to the School of Nursing Policy on Student Professional Behaviour and the Policy on Social Media in November 2022.

During the review process by Senate’s ASCP, it was agreed the existing School of Nursing of Social Media policy is a subset of standards that are reflected in the School of Nursing Student policy on Professional Behaviour, and as such was incorporated in the revised Policy on Student Professional Behaviour.

For reference, a side-by-side copy of the existing and proposed Policy on Student Professional Behaviour is provided at Appendix A, with changes outlined in blue text.

Notable changes in the proposed policy on Senate Policy on Student Professional Behaviour include:

- Standards for professional behaviour are detailed
- CNO professional standards updated
- Substantive changes to the social media standards, reflective of government and university legislative changes