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**York University
Faculty of Health Council**

Notice of Meeting

**Wednesday, April 3, 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 March 6, 2019**
- 3. Business arising from the minutes**
- 4. Dean's Remarks**
- 5. Executive and Planning Committee Report**
- 6. Senator's Report**
- 7. Other Business**

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.

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

Wednesday May 1, 2019

All are welcome and encouraged to attend!

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FACULTY COUNCIL
Wednesday, March 6, 2019
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Minutes**

Attendance: I. Azari, A. Belcastro, M. Boni, J. Check, J. Choiniere, C. Da Silva, M. Dastjerdi, H. Edgell, J. Elder, I. Epstein, J. Goldberg, M. Hamadeh, M. Herbert, C. Jonas-Simpson, L. Lum, J. MacDonnell, P. McDonald, A. Moore, M. Morrow, S. Murtha, R. Nariani, K. Page-Cutrara, A. Perry, M. Singh, N. Stuckless

Adobe Connect attendance: R. Bassett-Gunter, O. Birot, R. Bishop, C. Corson, J. Drake, R. Jamnik, C. Kurtz-Landy, B. Meisner, A. Phillips, K. Shum, R. Steele

Guests: F. Clarke, J. Fung, J. Hard, K. Hetherington, M. Verrilli

1. Chair's remarks

Chair M. Singh 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 January 9, 2019

Professor J. Choiniere moved, seconded by Professor H. Edgell that the minutes of the January 9, 2019 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 thanked Professor M. Singh for stepping forward as Council Chair.

Dean McDonald provided updates regarding the Faculty of Health space plans including the expansion of Sherman Health Science Centre and upgrades to Stong College. He also provided an update regarding Faculty hiring. The approved short list of recommendations is for 30 positions. One position was temporarily suspended due to a deferred retirement; one search was declared a failure due to insufficient qualified candidates; five searches have been approved by the Dean but are awaiting approval from the Provost and JCOAA or offers have been made to candidates.

In terms of FW19-20 undergraduate student applications, Dean McDonald indicated that, while University applications are down overall, the Faculty of Health remains consistent with application numbers similar to last year. As such, Health is in a better situation than many Faculties and will continue to make every effort to convert applications into enrolments.

Regarding the budget call, Dean McDonald thanked the academic units for their efforts to find solutions to the budget challenges. The budget plan will be presented to the Provost on March 7, 2019.

Dean McDonald spoke briefly about research grant funding and provided an update on how the Faculty of Health was performing in relation to the other Faculties.

5. Artificial Intelligence and Society Task Force

Professor J. Elder provided an overview of the creation and function of The Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Society Task Force. He welcomed Council members to connect with the Co-Chairs of the Committee if they had recommendations on how to advance York's research and academic programming in AI.

6. Report of the Executive and Planning Committee

Professor A. Belcastro moved, seconded by Professor J. Goldberg that the creation of a Graduate Committee as part of the Standing Committees of Faculty Council be approved. The motion carried.

Professor A. Belcastro moved, seconded by Professor M. Boni that the proposed changes to the Rules and Procedures of Faculty Council be approved. The motion carried.

7. Curriculum Committee Report

Professor M. Boni moved, seconded by Professor J. Check that the proposed changes to the Interdisciplinary Certificate in Aging housed in the Faculty of Health be approved effective FW 2019-2020. The motion carried.

Professor M. Boni moved, seconded by Professor H. Edgell that the proposed changes to the York-Seneca Rehabilitation Services Certificate Program be approved effective FW 2019-2020. The motion carried.

8. Senator's Report

Senator O. Birot provided a written report for the February 28, 2019 meeting of Senate. The highlights of the report included the following items:

President Lenton provided an update on the Student Choice Initiative announced in January related to ancillary fees. Fees relating to academic supports, student health and wellness and safety are mandatory. Other fees will be considered option and universities will be responsible for setting up online platforms where students can opt out of the fees.

President Lenton also commented on the plans to set up a working group to develop interpretive guidelines for the Statement of Policy on Free Speech; the status of the reviews of the Student Code of Rights and Responsibilities and the confirmation on the University's commitment to move ahead with the Markham campus.

The Academic Colleague to the Council of Ontario Universities reported that the focus on the recent Academic Colleagues meeting was on the government mandated changes relation to OSAP, tuition and ancillary fees.

A Special Joint Senate-Board Working group on jurisdiction related to the cancellation/suspension of classes during a labour disruption was established based on the recommendation from the Executive Committee.

Several ASCP approvals were made and the full list is available on the Senate synopsis.

9. Other Business

There was no other business.

The meeting was adjourned.

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R. Bishop, Secretary