York University
Faculty of Health Council

Notice of Meeting

Wednesday, January 9, 2019
3:00 pm – 4:30 pm

Senate Chamber, N940 Ross Building

Agenda

1. Chair’s Remarks
2. Minutes of the Meeting of December 5, 2018
3. Business arising from the minutes
4. Dean’s Remarks
5. Executive and Planning Committee Report
6. Curriculum Committee Report
7. Senator’s Report
8. Other Business

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2018-2019 Faculty of Health Council Meetings, 3:00pm–4:30pm, Senate Chamber, N940 Ross Building:
Wednesday February 6, 2019
Wednesday March 6, 2019
Wednesday April 3, 2019
Wednesday May 1, 2019

All are welcome and encouraged to attend!
Faculty of Health
FACULTY COUNCIL
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Minutes


Adobe Connect attendance: A. Attard, M. Bertram, M. Boni, J. Drake, W. Heinrichs, A. Philipps, L. Sergio

Guests: R. Bishop, F. Clarke, C. Corson, J. Hard, K. Hetherington, L. Pellegrini, M. Verrilli

1. Chair’s remarks
Vice-Chair C. Da Silva welcomed Council members and reminded Council members and guests to sign the attendance book and to note upcoming Council meetings.

Members of Council were reminded to raise name cards when voting and to use microphones when addressing Council.

2. Minutes of the Meeting November 7, 2018
Professor H. Edgell, moved, seconded by Professor N. Stuckless, that the minutes of the November 7, 2018 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 congratulated Professor A. Belcastro for being named a Fellow of the Canadian Society of Exercise Physiology. He also congratulated Professor A. Abdul-Sater for being the recipient of the Stars Career Development Award issued by the Arthritis Society.

Dean McDonald stated that three nominations from Health had been submitted for Tier II Research Chairs. He also informed Council that the proposal for the Sherman Health Sciences expansion was reviewed and approved by the Provost and has moved to the Board of Governors for review and approval.

Dean McDonald thanked M. Verrilli and R. Gritsyuk for their hard-work on preparing the mid-year budget review and forecast.
The Faculty is currently preparing enrolment forecasts. He noted that the minimal changes proposed included a reallocation of 105 targets. At the graduate level, he urged faculty members to consider taking on Master’s students as the Faculty is not meeting its target with this group.

Lastly, he wished everyone a wonderful holiday season.

5. Report of the Executive and Planning Committee
On behalf of the Executive and Planning Committee, Professor M. Fallah made a call for nominations for the following vacancies:
   1. Chair of Council
   2. “At-large” seat on the Executive and Planning Committee
   3. “At-large” seat on the Petitions Committee
   4. Senate seat on the Academic Policy, Planning and Research Committee

No nominations were put forward at the Council meeting. These positions will remain vacant until filled. Members were encouraged to submit nominations to fill vacancies to K. Hetherington (khether@yorku.ca).

Professor M. Fallah moved, seconded by Dean P. McDonald that the Faculty of Health create a Graduate Committee as a Standing Committee of Council.

Professor A. Belcastro asked if the committee membership would include graduate students.

Professor T. Haas asked for clarification regarding the divestment of duties from FGS to Health. She discussed how curriculum is approved at the Graduate Studies level and asked how that might impact resource allocation. She discussed the need for a synergy to exist between the two and expressed concern the motion was premature and that concrete and clear details of the membership and structure were required before moving forward.

Professor R. Jamnik asked if the Graduate Program Directors will be expected to sit on these committees and how much autonomy will be provided to the faculty from FGS. She expressed some concern that there may be some loss of procedural support. Professor M. Fallah and Dean P. McDonald both discussed how the creation of the Graduate Committee would provide the Councils and the Committees with more autonomy than they currently have over the programs. The process that exists at the undergraduate level is working well and it would be beneficial to apply this at the Graduate level.

Professor J. Choiniere felt there needed to be more clarification regarding how the responsibilities of oversight would be split and what responsibilities would reside with FGS and which would reside in Health. Additionally, she had concerns with resourcing support and how it would be handled.

Professor J. Goldberg asked about how those programs that are accredited by external sources will remain as accredited. He wanted to ensure that these certifications will still be handled with the same care and expertise that they are now. He wanted to ensure that this is captured when listing the responsibilities of the Graduate Committee.
Professor B. Pilkington was concerned that based on the wording provided that the committee might be provided too much oversight in policy matters related to research as the text read that it would “make recommendations and provide advice to Council on policy matters related to research”. Professor M. Fallah clarified that these statements were included to ensure that the committee is reporting back to Council annually regarding the administration of the awards and not making decisions about awards.

Professor M. Mosher asked why the membership of the committee wasn’t listed in the same manner in which our current committee membership is listed. Professor M. Fallah referred to the Rules and Procedures of Council and the composition of committee membership to address these questions.

Professor C. Van Daalen-Smith expressed concerns that the mandate of the committee was too vague and that the language around research was not specific enough. She asked why the committee would be granted the ability for quality assurance and cyclical program reviews. Professor M. Fallah explained the creation of the Graduate Committee would allow Curriculum and Research and Awards Committee business to take place under one committee. The current Curriculum Committee only oversees undergraduate proposals and the Research and Awards Committee adjudicates files for both undergraduate and graduate level awards. There is no need to create two separate committees to mirror the ones that exist currently.

The motion did not carry.

6. Faculty Awards
Vice-Chair C. Da Silva called upon Dean McDonald to present the Faculty Awards.

Dean McDonald highlighted that Faculty Awards were created to recognize the excellence of faculty members in the categories of teaching, service and research.

The Dean acknowledged those who had taken the time to nominate and create nomination packages. Additionally, he spoke to the work and contributions of the Research and Awards Committee for vetting and selecting award recipients.

Dean McDonald presented the 2017-2018 Established Career Faculty Awards to:

Professor Mazen Hamadeh, School of Kinesiology and Health Science, Established Career Award for Teaching.

Professor Raymond Mar, Department of Psychology, Established Career Award for Research.

Professor William Gage, School of Kinesiology and Health Science, Established Career Award for Service.
Professor Heather Edgell moved and Professor L. Sergio seconded to extend Council by 15 minutes.

The motion carried.

7. Senator’s Report
Senator B. Pilkington provided the report for the November 22, 2018 meeting of Senate. She noted that President Lenton discussed 1) the fall economic statement including where budget cuts might be made across the various Ministries; 2) the outcomes of the university budget consultations (a full report will be issued that outlines the themes that emerged including: deferred maintenance and labour relations); 3) possible funding opportunities to continue with the building of the Markham campus; and 4) the establishment of a UAP working group that will reviewing Internationalization at York.

Robert Haché provided the Vice-President Research and Innovation annual report.

The Statement of Policy on Free Speech will come forward to Senate for approval at the December 13, 2018 Senate Meeting.

There was on-going discussion about merging the Faculty of Environmental Studies and Geography. An Academic Planning forum will be held in early 2019.

If you have nominations for the honourary awards, please let one of the Senator’s know so they can bring a nomination forward to the Awards Committee.

8. Other Business
There was no other business.

The meeting was adjourned

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