
NOTICE OF MEETING

**55th Meeting of Faculty Council
Thursday May 12, 2016
3:00 pm – 5:00 pm, Senate Chamber, N940 Ross**

Agenda

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2015 - 2016 Liberal Arts & Professional Studies Faculty Council Meetings are normally on the second Thursday of the month at 3:00pm in the Senate Chamber, N940 Ross.

June 9, 2016

**York University
Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies
LA&PS Faculty Council**

Senate Chamber
Minutes of the 54th Meeting of Council
April 14, 2016
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N. Adelson, M. Adrien, S. Ariyaratnam, J. Avery, K. Bird, E. Brule, M. Budworth, L. Cho, L. Cozzi, T. Cohen, R. Coombe, A. Daley, A. Davis, A. Duncan, C. Ehrlich, Y. Eisenstat, I. Ferrara, R. Fisher, R. Grinspun, M. Harper, B. Heron, C. Heron, T. Hwong, M. Karakul, P. Keall, R. Kenedy, P. Khaite, S. Liaskos, C. Marjollet, M. Martel, J. McMurtry, K. McPherson, A. Medovarski, A. Mukherjee-Reed, D. Murray, D. Mutimer, L. Myrie, D. Ndlovu, P. Ng, H. Qudrat-Ullah, A. Ramjattan, S. Ranganathan, N. Razack, L. Sanders, D. Scheffel-Dunand, D. Skinner, A. Solis, K. Thomson, S. Tufts, G. Vanstone, L. Wagner, J. Warren, A. Weiss, S. Whitworth, C. Wilkin, D. Woody, N. Wyczolkowski, M.P. Zito

1. Call to Order and Approval of Agenda

The meeting was called to order. It was moved, seconded, and carried that the agenda be approved.

2. Chair of Council's Remarks

The Chair welcomed members to the 54th meeting of Council. She informed members that there would be a special presentation for PIER that would be given by the Vice-President Research & Innovation later in the meeting. Members were also reminded that there would be an extension of the nomination period for Council, its Standing Committees and Senate.

3. Minutes of the March 10, 2016 Meeting

It was moved, seconded, and carried that the minutes of the March 10, 2016 meeting be approved.

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was none.

5. Special Presentation: Plan for the Intensification and Enhancement of Research (PIER)

Robert Hache began the presentation by stating that consultations were held across the Faculties to discuss and engage in building a culture of research. The feedback received through consultation has now been collated as a coherent document. He briefly discussed the five thematic areas around which the PIER document centers and the draft plan for implementation. He further noted that consultations on the draft documents will be ongoing and that a final version of the document will be presented in May 2016.

A member of Council raised a concern around improving the effectiveness of research time, noting that faculty colleagues face challenges in finding all the research time needed. Another member of Council raised a concern that the PIER document does not acknowledge what we are currently doing and producing. A further concern was raised around the infrastructure and resource allocation to implement and support the PIER. Another member of Council raised a concern around structural barriers in supporting research intensification at the micro level.

A member of SCOLAPS raised a question around how the document incorporates opportunities for students to develop research skills.

The presentation is available here:
http://laps.yorku.ca/files/2015/04/PIER_LAPS-Faculty-Council_14April2016.pdf

6. Dean's Report: Academic Planning Process, Budget and Enrolment Update

The Dean began her remarks by discussing the President's University-Wide teaching Awards, noting that the award recipients were all from LA&PS.

She announced that:

Darren Gobert, English, received the award in the Senior Full-Time category.

Kabita Chakraborty, Humanities and **Maria Figueredo**, Languages, Literatures and Linguistics, both received the award in the Full-Time category.

Krista Hunt, Gender, Sexuality and Women's Studies, received the award in the Contract and Adjunct category.

Matthew Strang, Sociology, received the award in the TA category.

She presented the York World Scholars program and noted that it will be a soft launch in the upcoming academic year.

Her presentation focused on budgeting, enrolment and academic planning. She mentioned that on the budget that two key priorities are opportunities to further reduce expenses and recruitment and retention. She provided an update on the number of applications, offers and acceptance to date.

She further noted that while the Faculty has a strategic plan, it does not have an academic plan. She mentioned that she will be seeking feedback from units on how best to move forward.

Members asked about the current university practice in regards to retirement and hiring. It was noted that the current practice adds to our revenue to hire new faculty. It was discussed that there is a diminishing number of full-time faculty.

A comment was made about the problems and some of the strategies around the 105 pool of applicants. It was further noted that the decline in the 101s (domestic) from previous years has not been made up, and that our recruitment activities need to be further explored in this area.

A question was asked about the cost cuts regarding CPMs and whether it is a cost cut or it is a case of just moving people around. It

was noted that to reduce costs there has been a reduction in CPMs and that the goal is not to have too many managerial layers.

A question was raised about research grants and how such funding is accounted for in the new budget model. It will not be included in the model.

7. Reports of Standing Committees of Council

a) Executive:

The item for information extension of nomination period for Council and Senate was received.

8. Item for Discussion and Feedback: Development of the Advisory Statement for the Presidential Search

The Chair welcomed members of the Presidential Search Committee to the meeting.

A discussion ensued regarding the questions for consultations presented in the Advisory Statement.

A member of Council noted that while York University prides itself on being committed to social justice, it must also produce ideas that resist neoliberalism, its impact on academic freedom and knowledge production. It was noted that the new leadership must be willing to take a stand in this regard. It was further noted that in this regard the new President would ideally be willing to be a strong voice on the Council of Ontario Universities in order to do so.

A member raised the point that the new President would ideally have a strong background as a scholar. Further points were raised that the President be well-versed in labour relations and have a strong appreciation of diversity.

It was also noted that the new President should be able to speak to students and understand the value of humanities. The President should also have strong leadership at the COU and be able to set the tone.

A concern was raised from the floor with regards to the framing of the questions and their leaning towards a competitive frame. A member of the Search Committee responded that this was not intended to be the context within the questions, rather to help generate discussion on what the University community envisions a future in the context of the Presidential search.

9. Other Business

The meeting adjourned.

I. Boran, Chair of Council

L Cozzi, Secretary of Council

Executive Committee Report to Council

April 2016

ITEMS FOR ACTION (3):

1. Nominations: Vice-Chair of Council and Council Standing Committees

The Executive Committee recommends the following candidates for election to Chair of Council, Vice-Chair of Council and Council Standing Committees effective July 1, 2016. Nominations are also accepted from the floor of Council. A final approval for the slate of nominees is given by Council on a motion that nominations be closed, as moved by the Vice-Chair of Council.

The nomination period ran from February 12th – May 12th, seeking to fill 41 vacancies among the Council Standing Committees and the position of Chair of Council and Vice-Chair of Council for the 2016-17 academic year. With the current slate of nominees, the Executive committee, Academic Policy and Planning Committee, Committee on Curriculum, Curricular Policy and Standards, Tenure and Promotions Committee, Committee on Research Policy and Planning, Committee on Teaching, Learning & Student Success, Committee on Student Academic Petitions and Appeals and Representatives on Senate will be operating with one or more vacancy. A further request for nominations for other vacancies (if any) on Council Committees will be issued in the Fall 2016 term.

An election (e-vote) will be held for those committees for which there are a greater number of nominees than vacancies, or multiple nominees from the same academic unit. An announcement regarding the e-vote will be issued following the meeting of Council. For all other committees in which the number of nominees is less than the number of vacancies, those who have been nominated for election will be acclaimed to the respective committee.

Attached is the academic departments/schools represented on the Committees of Council documentation.

We would like to thank all the Chairs & Directors for their support throughout this process.

Faculty Council Nominees for 2016-17 are as follows:

Chair of Council (one vacancy)

For one-year term

Nominations

Brenda Spotton Visano, Department of Economics

Vice-Chair of Council (one vacancy)

For two-year term

Nominations

Carl S. Ehrlich, Department of Humanities

Executive Committee (three vacancies)

For three-year term

Continuing Members:

Ali Asgary, School of Administrative Studies

Susan Ingram, Department of Humanities

Robert Kenedy, Department of Sociology

Nominations

Ida Ferrara, Department of Economics

Academic Policy and Planning Committee (two vacancies)

For a three-year term

Continuing Members:

Mustafa Karakul, School of Administrative Studies

Merle Jacobs, Department of Equity Studies

Sean Kheraj, Department of History

David Szablowski, Department of Social Science

Peter Khaiteh, School of Information Technology

Nominations

Idil Boran, Department of Philosophy

Committee on Curriculum, Curricular Policy and Standards (two vacancies, one from a Professional Studies area)

For a three-year term

Continuing Members:

Tokunbo Ojo, Department of Communication Studies

Robert Tordoff, Department of Humanities

Roberta Iannacito-Provenzano, School of Languages, Literatures and Linguistics

Christian Marjollet, Department of French Studies
Allan Weiss, Department of English

Nominations

Marcela Porporato, School of Administrative Studies

Tenure and Promotions Committee (seven vacancies, one from the Social Sciences area)
For a three-year term

Continuing Members:

Alison Bain, Department of Geography
Rosemary Coombe, Department of Anthropology
Ingrid Splettstoesser, School of Administrative Studies
Steve Bailey, Department of Humanities
David Goldstein, Department of English
Nick Mule, School of Social Work
Jing Wang, School of Human Resource Management
Shobna Nijhawan, Department of Languages, Literatures and Linguistics
Xiaohui Yu, School of Information Technology

Nominations

Matthew Brzozowski, Department of Economics
Joseph Idemudia, Department of Social Science

Committee on Research Policy and Planning (four vacancies, one must be from the Humanities area)
For a three-year term

Continuing Members:

Simone Bohn, Department of Political Science
Maria Liegghio, School of Social Work
Laura Salisbury, Department of Economics

Nominations

Antonio Ricci, Department of Languages, Literatures & Linguistics
Jelena Zikic, School of Human Resource Management

Committee on Teaching, Learning and Student Success (seven vacancies, one must be from the Social Sciences area)

Four (4) for a three-year term, three (3) for a two-year term

Continuing Members:

Tom Cohen, Department of Humanities
Chris Chapman, School of Social Work

Nominations

Jodi Letkiewicz, School of Administrative Studies
Stephen Chen, School of Information Technology
Tsvetanka Karagyozeva, Department of Economics

Committee on Student Academic Petitions and Appeals (eight vacancies)

For a two-year term

Continuing Members:

Amelie Barras, Department of Social Science
Sarah Blake, School of Humanities
Cheryl Cowdy, Department of Humanities
Ann Kim, Department of Sociology
Chris Robinson, School of Administrative Studies
Margaret Schotte, Department of History
Andrei Semenov, Department of Economics

Nominations

Jon Sufrin, Writing Department
Mary Goitom, School of Social Work

2. Nominations: Liberal Arts & Professional Studies Full-Time Faculty Representatives on Senate

The Executive Committee recommends the following candidates for election as Liberal Arts & Professional Studies faculty representatives on Senate effective **July 1, 2016**. Nominations are also accepted from the floor of Council. A final approval for the slate of nominees is given by Council on a motion that nominations be closed as moved by the Vice-Chair of Council.

Liberal Arts & Professional Studies Faculty Representatives on Senate (nine vacancies):

Those nominees who are elected will be elected for a 3-year term. Meetings of Senate for the 2016-17 year, as well as agendas and related materials may be accessed through their website at:

<http://www.yorku.ca/secretariat/senate/meetings.htm>

Membership (40):

- 21 Academic Chairs & Directors (LA&PS Schools/Departments)
- Chair of Faculty Council
- 16 Full-Time Faculty members Elected at-large
- 2 Contract Faculty Members Elected at-large each September

Continuing elected at-large Full-time Faculty Members (7):

Kean Birch, Department of Social Science
Kym Bird, Department of Humanities
Ricardo Grinspun, Department of Economics
Bernard Lightman, Department of Humanities
Merle Jacobs, Department of Equity Studies
Leslie Sanders, Department of Humanities
David Leyton-Brown, Department of Social Science

Nominations

Robert Kenedy, Department of Sociology
Christopher Innes, Department of English
Kelly Thompson, School of Administrative Studies
Antonio Ricci, Department of Languages, Literatures & Linguistics
Merouan Mekouar, Department of Social Science
George Georgopoulos, Department of Economics
Peter Khaite, School of Information Technology
Idil Boran, Department of Philosophy
Carl S. Ehrlich, Department of Humanities
Peter Avery, Department Of Languages, Literatures & Linguistics

3. Nominations: Liberal Arts & Professional Studies Faculty Representative on Senate: Executive Committee (one vacancy)

For a three-year term

Nominations

Peter Khaite, School of Information Technology
Carl S Ehrlich, Department of Humanities

APPENDIX A

Academic Departments/Schools Representation on Council Committees 2016-2017						
Department/School	faculty	Continuing Members			Nominees	
		#	#	%	#	%
Administrative Studies	55	4	7.3%	2	3.6%	
Anthropology	15	1	6.7%	0	0.0%	
Communication Studies	12	1	8.3%	0	0.0%	
Economics	40	2	5.0%	4	10.0%	
English	34	2	5.9%	0	0.0%	
Equity Studies	9	1	11.1%	0	0.0%	
French Studies	14	1	7.1%	0	0.0%	
Geography	18	1	5.6%	0	0.0%	
History	38	2	5.3%	0	0.0%	
Humanities	52	6	11.5%	1	1.9%	
Human Resources Management	12	1	8.3%	1	8.3%	
Information Technology	11	2	18.2%	1	9.1%	
Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics	42	2	4.8%	1	2.4%	
Philosophy	23	0	0.0%	1	4.3%	
Political Science	45	1	2.2%	0	0.0%	
Public Policy and Administration	9	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
Social Science	47	2	4.3%	1	2.1%	
Social Work	21	3	14.3%	1	4.8%	
Sociology	42	2	4.8%	0	0.0%	
Writing	10	0	0.0%	1	10.0%	
Women's Studies	12	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	
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Note: Highlighted above are those Units which will have less than 7.5% of the Department/School represented on Standing Committees of Council effective Fall 2016, if nominations from them are not received.

Consent Agenda
April 2016

New Course Proposals:

AP/GWST 4521 6.00 Feeling Queerly About Feminist Art
AP/WRIT 3001 3.00 Intermediate Digital Authoring

Changes to Existing Courses:

AP/WRIT 3700 6.00 Introduction to Periodical Writing
AP/WRIT 3710 6.00 Introduction to Institutional Writing
AP/WRIT 3720 6.00 Books and Bookmaking in the 21st Century

A consent agenda item does not involve new programs, significant new principles, or new policies. These proposals are clearly identified on the notice of the meeting as consent agenda items. Full proposal text is not reproduced in the hardcopy agenda package. Proposal text is available at the following URL: <http://laps.yorku.ca/office-of-the-faculty-council/council-agenda/>.

A consent agenda item is deemed to be approved unless, prior to the commencement of a meeting, one or more members of Council advises the chair of a request to debate it

Please contact the Secretary to the Committee (apccps@yorku.ca) if you have any questions regarding the changes to existing courses section.