



York University
Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies
4th Meeting of Faculty Council

NOTICE OF MEETING

Thursday, January 21, 2010
3:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Vari Hall B

Agenda

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- 2. Chair of Council's Remarks
- 3. Minutes of the **December 10, 2009** meeting1
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2009 - 2010 Liberal Arts & Professional Studies Faculty Council Meetings are on the second Thursday of the month at 3:00pm in the Senate Chamber, N940 Ross:

February 11, 2010
March 11, 2010

April 8, 2010
May 13, 2010
June 10, 2010

All are welcome and encouraged to attend!



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

Senate Chambers (N940 Ross Building)

Minutes of the 3rd Meeting of Council

December 10, 2009

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Attendance: M. Adriaen, J. Allen, I. Badr, J. Ball, M. Beare, M. Belcourt, K. Bird, M. Blumberg, B. Bradbury, M. Buccheri, M. H. Budworth, V. Caparello, G. Chin, G. Cominell, N. Couto, L. Cozzi, B. Crow, M. Dick, S. Dimock, M. Ducharme, C. Dumont, C. Ehrlich, S. Ehrlich, P. Evans, T. Fang, I. Ferrara, M. Figueredo, G. Ginsburg, W. Hayden, C. Heron, M. Jacobs, J. Jones, M. Lambert-Drache, B. Lee, D. Leyton-Brown, A. Lileeva, W. Little, J. Llanbias-Wolff, L. Lo, D. Lumsden, L. Lyons, A. MacLennan, J. Magee, K. Michasiw, R. Myers, J. Newton, K. Ogata, R. Ophir, J. Parkinson, S. Plekhanov, N. Razack, L. Ripley, R. Rudolph, L. Sanders, G. Scardellato, S. Sevigny, R. Sheese, M. Singer, R. Sinyor, D. Skinner, I. Spletstrosser, B. Spotton Visano, G. Spraakman, S. Taman, P. Taylor, K. Thomson, S. Tweyman, A. Weiss, R. Wellen, D. Woody, S. Zecevic, B. Zarnett, D. Zorn.

Guests: C. Edgecombe, C. Deschamps, A. Gordon, S. Gossack, T. Hudson, K. Li, Y. Munro.

1. Call to order and approval of agenda

The Chair of Council called the meeting to order.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the agenda be approved.

2. Chair of Council's Remarks

The Chair thanked Louise Ripley for Chairing during his absence last month, as well as Douglas Freake for acting as Vice-Chair of Council.

The Chair announced among the important issues that will be arising at the meeting are: (1) the introduction of the draft of the Faculty's Strategic Planning Framework by the Academic Policy and Planning Committee, and (2) the Senate report, in which mention is made of VPRI Stan Shapson's report on the University's research standing.

The consent agenda was approved.

The Senate Synopsis and additional copies of the Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies Strategic Planning Framework proposal were made available.

3. Minutes of the November 13, 2009 meeting

It was moved, seconded and carried that the minutes of the November 13, 2009 meeting of Council be approved.

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was none.

5. Inquiries

There were none.

6. Communications

Yvette Munro, Manager, Community Relations, Office of University Events and Community Relations presented on the York University United Way Campaign for 2009-2010. This year's campaign goal is \$200,000.

7. Report of the Dean

Dean Singer briefly reported on the YUFA merit exercise, tenure and promotions, and the Faculty budget process.

8. Report of the Chair of the Council of Masters

S. Tweyman discussed the Colleges activities over the Fall reading week. He noted that there were four kinds of student sessions, on academic skills, advising, social activities, and careers.

S. Tweyman noted that York International during the holiday season will be putting on internal events for those students who are on campus.

9. Report of the Faculty Representative on Senate

The Senate report was given by Senator Craig Heron.

Senator Heron reported on the status of the increases in fees for external users of the John P. Robarts Library at the University of Toronto: the on-going university planning process; and the VPRI report to Senate (<http://www.yorku.ca/secretariat/senate/VPRI.pdf>), which places York 41st out of 50 in research income intensity for the 2008 fiscal year.

10. Question Period

A question was raised regarding inter-library loans and their relationship to the increase in fees. Inter-library loans are not

affected by the increase in external user fees at the University of Toronto.

11. Reports of Standing Committee

11.1 Committee on Curriculum, Curricular Policy and Standards

The item for information regarding the Committees ongoing initiatives for the 2009-2010 academic year was discussed.

A question and concern was raised regarding the established grandparenting legislation for students within the Faculty. It was noted that this was an ongoing discussion which requires wide consultation and that the Committee has been and will continue to work through the legislation and revise it as appropriate.

11.2 Committee on Teaching and Learning

The item for information regarding the Committee ongoing initiatives for the 2009-2010 academic year was discussed.

It was noted that a proposal for mandatory online teaching evaluations will be put forward at next month's Senate meeting.

11.3 Academic Policy and Planning Committee

Council received as an item for information the Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies Strategic Planning Framework.

Concerns were raised regarding the relationship this document has to the YUFA Collective Agreement; in some instances this could be in conflict. It was recommended that YUFA be provided with a copy of the plan.

A concern was raised that the initial consultation involved only the Chairs and Directors and that others such as Masters should have been included.

It was recommended that a stronger emphasis on research be built into the mission statement and that Principle 26 (b) be built up to include a proactive research agenda. It was also recommended that Goals 1, 3 and 4, which speak to strategic academic goals in conjunction with a research goal, be the strategic priorities of the Faculty. It was noted that Goals 2 and 5 are means rather than academic goals.

It was recommended that admission and recruitment actions be added to Principle 14.

Members asked that a definition of communities be added and that the use of the words "part-time faculty" be changed to "contract faculty".

A comment was made reading Principle 17, that funding for these types of initiatives has been cut off.

12. Unfinished Business

There was none.

13. Other Business for Which Due Notice Has Been Given

There was no other business for which due notice was given.

14. Other business

There was no other business.

15. Adjournment

It was moved, seconded, and carried that the meeting of the Faculty Council be adjourned.

C. Ehrlich, Chair of Council



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ITEMS FOR INFORMATION (3):

1. Call for Nominations

There is a call for nominations for Council members to serve on Council Committees and Senate.

• **Committee on Student Academic Petitions (2 full-time faculty members – 2 year term)**

Receive and act on student academic petitions, including petitions against the application of Faculty, Departmental and School rules and regulations;

Meet in panels for consideration of cases for the adjudication of petitions and appeals against previous committee decisions.

• **Committee on Teaching and Learning (1 contract faculty member – 6 month term)**

Guide the ongoing development of the educational mission of the Faculty.
Assist units in improving their pedagogical effectiveness.
Promote ongoing assessment and enhancement of teaching and learning.
Encourage and recognize effective contributions to teaching and learning within the Faculty.

• **Liberal Arts & Professional Studies Senator (1 full-time faculty member – 3 year term)**

To indicate your willingness to stand for election, please send an email to caparem@yorku.ca by **February 10, 2010**.
Nominations may also be made from the floor of Council.

2. Liberal Arts & Professional Studies Council Sub-Committees Election Results

General Education Sub-Committee

Harriet Rosenberg – Department of Social Science (social sciences)
Matthew Clark – Department of Humanities (humanities)
Alexander Mills – Division of Natural Science (natural sciences)
Jay Keeping – Department of Humanities (modes of reasoning)
Kathryn Denning – Department of Anthropology (liberal arts programs)
Stephen Chen – School of Information Technology (professional programs)

Sub-Committee on Student Experience

Gary Spraakman – School of Administrative Studies
Brenda McComb – Department of Languages, Literatures and Linguistics
Diane Woody – Department of French Studies
John Bell – Department of English

3. Liberal Arts & Professional Studies Contract Representatives on Senate Election Results

Julie Allen – Department of Philosophy
Diane Zorn – Department of Humanities/School of Administrative Studies



Consent Agenda

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1. Changes to Existing Degrees/Certificates

- Information Technology BA
- Information Technology BAS
- Italian Studies
- Philosophy: Specialized Honours BA; Honours BA; BA
- Labour Studies

2. New Course Proposals

- AP/HREQ 3020 3.00 (cross-listed to: AP/HUMA 3020 3.00) Commemoration and Human Rights Pedagogy
- AP/HREQ 4400 3.00 Women and Social Citizenship
- AP/HUMA 3104 6.00 Eros and Amor: Sex and Gender in Greco-Roman Literature
- AP/HUMA 4770 3.00 Buddhism in Modern Southeast Asia: Community, Conflict and Change
- AP/HUMA 4771 3.00 Buddhism as Seen from the West: The Colonial Encounter and the Study of Buddhism
- AP/REI 3640 3.00 The Indian Act, Treaties, and Non-Status Native Communities
- AP/REI 4765 3.00 Indigenous Literature, Survival And Sovereignty
- AP/SP 4000 6.00 Advanced Spanish Grammar and Composition
- AP/SOSC 4045 6.00 Business, Communications and Society
- AP/SOSC 4175 3.00 Health & Society/Urban Studies Advanced Seminar: Mapping Health & Community
- AP/WMST 4555 6.00 (cross-listed to: GL/WMST 4555 6.00) Feminist Methodologies and Methods

3. Changes to Existing Courses

- AP/CREE 1000 6.00 Introduction to Cree
- AP/EN 2300 3.00 Horror and Terror: Variations on Gothic
- AP/EN 2301 3.00 Coming of Age in Fiction
- AP/EN 2302 3.00 Apocalyptic Science Fiction
- AP/EN 2303 3.00 Children's Literature, 1590-1900
- AP/EN 2304 3.00 20th Century Children's Literature
- AP/EN 2305 3.00 Travel Writing in English
- AP/EN 2306 3.00 Comics and Cartoons I
- AP/EN 2307 3.00 Comics and Cartoons II
- AP/EN 2308 3.00 The English Detective Novel
- AP/EN 2309 3.00 The Art of the Personal Essay
- AP/HREQ 4720 3.00 Directed Reading
- AP/HREQ 4720 6.00 Directed Reading/Special Study
- AP/HUMA 3305 3.00 The Calypso and Caribbean Oral Literature
- AP/HUMA 3320 6.00 Caribbean Thought: A Post-colonial Perspective

- AP/HUMA 3510 6.00 Religion, Gender and Korean Culture
- AP/HUMA 3802 3.00 Sikh History and Thought: Development and Interpretation
- AP/HUMA 3815 6.00 Aspects of Islamic Thought
- AP/IT 3150 3.00 Italian Regional Linguistic Varieties
- AP/IT 3350 3.00 Italian Renaissance Literature
- AP/IT 4140 3.00 Cross-Cultural Communication: An Italian Perspective
- AP/IT 4150 3.00 The Study of the Italian Lexicon: A Course in Applied Semantics
- AP/IT 4180 3.00 Selected Topics in Italian Linguistics
- AP/IT 4190 3.00 The History of the Italian Language
- AP/REI 3310 3.00 (cross-listed to: AP/CDNS 3530 3.00, AP/HUMA 3530 3.00) Virtual Riel/ity: Louis Riel and Metis Issues in North America
- AP/REI 4700 6.00 Race, Ethnicity and Indigeneity in Social Research
- AP/REI 4705 6.00 Theory in Colonialism, Race and Indigeneity
- AP/REI 4750 6.00 Urban Native Communities: Collective Survival and Cultural Regeneration
- AP/REI 4780 6.00 Indigenous Peoples and Education in Canada and the World
- AP/SOSC 3760 6.00 Toronto Urban Growth and Community
- AP/SOSC 4045 6.00 Business, Communications and Society
- HH/PSYC 3290 3.00 (cross-listed to: AP/LING 3220 3.00) Psycholinguistics
- SB/BFND 3100 3.00 Management and Business: An Introduction
- SB/BFND 3200 3.00 Finance and Accounting
- SB/BFND 4100 3.00 Markets & Marketing
- SB/BFND 4200 3.00 Management Strategy & Implementation.

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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.



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ITEM FOR ACTION

Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies Strategic Planning Framework

The Academic Policy and Planning Committee recommends that Council adopt the Strategic Planning Framework for the Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies.

The “Proposed Strategic Planning Framework” completed by the Dean’s Working Group was forwarded to the Academic Policy and Planning Committee (APPC) for discussion and dissemination. Over the last couple of months enhanced consultation within the Liberal Arts & Professional Studies community has been undertaken. APPC through various fora heard from community members and received feedback about the “Proposed Strategic Planning Framework” document. “The Strategic Planning Framework” is being brought forward to Faculty Council for its adoption.

The Strategic Planning Framework for the Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies:

Colour Coded: <http://www.yorku.ca/laps/council/faculty/archives/plan/StrategicPlanningFrameworkcolourcoded.pdf>

Clean Copy: <http://www.yorku.ca/laps/council/faculty/archives/plan/StrategicPlanningFrameworkclean.pdf>

Consultation <http://www.yorku.ca/laps/council/faculty/archives/plan/StrategicPlanningFrameworkConsultations.pdf>

The following is a list of consultations that took place during the months of December and January on the “Proposed Strategic Planning Framework.”

- December 10, 2009 – LA&PS Faculty Council
- School and Departmental Meetings (December/January)
- Faculty Council Committees (January)
- January 6, 2010 – LA&PS Community Forum
- January 14, 2010 – LA&PS Community Forum
- By Email – lapsplan@yorku.ca

Background:

Proposed Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies Strategic Planning Framework, November 2009:

<http://www.yorku.ca/laps/council/faculty/documents/LAPSStratPlanningFramework.pdf>

Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies Undergraduate, Graduate, Full-time Faculty and Staff Data:

<http://www.yorku.ca/laps/council/faculty/documents/2008-2009APComparisonData-NOV-18-09.pdf>

Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies Comparison Data:

<http://www.yorku.ca/laps/council/faculty/documents/APstudentfacultyandstaffcomparisondata.pdf>

Interim Report on the Faculty of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies 5-Year Faculty Plan, April 6, 2009:

<http://www.yorku.ca/secretariat/senate/committees/APPC/callforplans/Responses2009/LA&PS%20Submission.pdf>