NOTICE OF MEETING
November 14, 2023
3pm – 4:30pm
via Zoom

AGENDA
1. Call to Order and Approval of Agenda
2. Chair’s Remarks
3. Approval of October 10, 2023 Minutes
4. Business Arising
5. Inquiries and Communications
   > October 26, 2023 Senate Synopsis
6. Dean’s Remarks
7. Associate Dean and Head of Bethune College Remarks
8. Reports from Science Representatives on Senate Committees
9. Report from Student Caucus Representative
10. Reports from Standing Committees of Council
   a) Executive Committee:
      > Ratification and Call for Nominations for Senate and Standing Committee of Council
      > Vacancies report on the Standing Committees of FSc Council
11. Other Business
    a) Joint APPRC-ASCP Task Force on the Future of Pedagogy (Task Force preliminary recommendations) Read Report Here – Tamara Kelly
MINUTES
October 10, 2023
3pm – 4:30pm
via Zoom

1. Call to Order and Approval of Agenda
   N. Kovinich, Chair of Council called the meeting to order and a motion was moved, seconded and carried to approve the Agenda as presented.

2. Chair’s Remarks
   Chair of Council N. Kovinich welcomed members of council back from the long weekend.

3. Approval of September 12, 2023 Minutes
   A motion was moved, seconded and carried to approve the Minutes.

4. Business Arising
   There was none.

5. Inquiries and Communications>
   > September 28, 2023 Senate Synopsis
   Council members noted the Senate Synopsis of meeting held on September 28, 2023.

6. Dean’s Remarks
   Dean Wang welcomed Council back from the long weekend.
   
   He spoke of the current wars in the middle east and the earthquake in Afghanistan and reminded Faculty and Staff that they should provide their full support to students affected.
   
   Dean Wang shared that his 10-day trip to India was a successful learning experience that made him rethink the Faculty of Science’s globalization strategy.
   
   He shared that the Faculty of Science’s new International Student enrollment numbers significantly increased since COVID.

   Congratulations:
   To the 2023-24 elected Science Student Caucus.

   Media:
   President Rhonda Lenton will host a news event on October 11 at 6pm to announce a major donation to the Faculty of Science.
7. **Associate Dean and Head of Bethune College Remarks**  
**Associate Dean Students, M. Scheid:**  
The Academic Scheduling Review report was submitted for information in the agenda package. Frankie Billingsley, Associate Registrar & Director, Student Records & Scheduling, will be attending the November 14 Faculty Council meeting for questions and feedback.

A reminder that students should be reasonably accommodated if they are unable to attend exams/classes/labs due to National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

An email was sent out to Faculty about the use of student mobile IDs during exams. The Division of Students is releasing a FAQ guide soon.

**Associate Dean Faculty Affairs, G. Audette:**  
If you are thinking of retiring soon, please reach out via email.

Friendly reminder to Departments to complete TA workload forms.

Friendly reminder that Sabbatical reports are due November 1, 2023.

A call to action for the Annual CV exercise will begin soon.

**Associate Dean Curriculum and Pedagogy, H. Kouyoumdjian:**  
The Open Education Resource workshop took place last week and a recording will be available in the second edition of the Faculty of Science Teaching and Learning Bulletin. The first Faculty of Science Teaching and Learning Bulletin was shared last week and will continue to be shared on a monthly basis.

Open Education Resource will be piloted this weekend, and we will share data to emphasize the benefits of OERs.

**Associate Dean Research & Partnerships, V. Saridakis:**  
Shared a presentation re: important NSERC deadlines, checklists and upcoming nominations/competitions.

**Head of Bethune, John Amanatides:**  
Reminded Council that he will be Head of Bethune this academic year while Paula Wilson is on sabbatical.

8. **Reports from Science Representatives on Senate Committees**  
There was none.

9. **Report from Student Caucus Representative**

10. **Reports from Standing Committees of Council**

a) **Executive Committee:**
   > Ratification and Call for Nominations for Senate and Standing Committee of Council  
     A motion was moved, seconded and carried to ratify all nominations to the Standing Committees of Council.
   > Vacancies report on the Standing Committees of FSc Council  
     N. Kovinich noted the vacancies that remain.
b) Undergraduate Curriculum Committee:
   > Consent agenda items
Other Business
a) Office of Sustainability Fall update and opportunities to shape York’s
    Action on Sustainability – Mike Layton, Chief Sustainability Officer

Meeting Adjournment
A motion was moved, seconded and carried to adjourn the meeting.
ATTENDANCE
Adriano Tersigni
Brad Sheeller (non-voting guest)
Conor Douglas
DELWAR HOSSAIN
Eva Hughes
Gerald Audette
Helen Abraham
Helen McLellan
Hovig Kouyoumdjian
Jade Atallah
James Elwick
Jennifer van Wijngaarden
Jerusha Lederman
John Amanatides
Jonathan Cevallos
Julia Tersigni
margaret mroziewicz
Mark Bayfield
Mark Vicari
Matthew George
Melissa Hughes
Mike Layton
Mike Scheid
Muhammad N Yousaf
Name (Original Name)
Natalie Moussa
Neal Madras
Nikola Kovinich
Pat Hall
Patricia Lakin-Thomas
Robert Tsushima
Robin Metcalfe
Rui Wang
Ryan Hili
Sara Jazaeihaghighi
Sibonile Siyakatshana
Taline Apelian-Sutor
Thomas Baumgartner
Tianna McFarlane
Tom Kirchner
violeta gotcheva
Vivian Saridakis
Wendy Booth
Yuna Hwang
The Senate of York University

Synopsis

The 699th Meeting of Senate held on Thursday, 26 October 2023, via Zoom

Remarks

The Chair, Poonam Puri, expressed appreciation to members for accommodating the shift from in-person to virtual mode for the meeting.

Approvals

Senate approved the recommendation of its Executive Committee to:

- Elect a member to a non-designated seat on the Senate Committee of Tenure & Promotions.

Senate approved the following recommendations of its Academic Standards, Curriculum and Pedagogy Committee:

- Establishment of a PhD program in Disaster and Emergency Management, School of Administrative studies, LA&PS, effective FW2024.
- Establishment of an Honours Minor BA Degree Program in Chinese Studies, Department of Languages, Literatures and Linguistics, LA&PS, effective FW2024.
- Closure of the International Bachelor of Business Administration degree program, Schulich School of Business, effective F2026.

Reports

President

President Lenton spoke to the following:

- Acknowledgement that Community members are affected by current world events, actions undertaken by the University to keep them safe and York’s contribution to the solution.
- FW 2023-2024 enrolment update and flow-through resource challenges.
- Report of the Auditor General value-for-money audit of the University is expected in late Fall.
- Blue Ribbon Panel on Financial Sustainability in the Postsecondary Education Sector report is expected soon.
The Senate of York University Synopsis

Executive Committee

Information items included the following:

- Approval of an Academic Policy, Planning and Research Committee member, nominated by a Faculty Council.
- Senate Executive priorities for 2023-2024.

Academic Policy, Planning and Research Committee (APPRC)

The Chair, Senator Davis, spoke to the Committee’s 2023-2024 priorities and actions to date.

Academic Standards, Curriculum and Pedagogy (ASCP)

The Chair, Senator Michasiw, spoke to the ongoing work on ASCP priorities, including the Academic Conduct Policy; collaboration with the Office of the University Registrar on progressing the new grading schemes; discussions on Generative AI; and continuing discussions on the waiver of requirement for “Attending Physician Statements” – for which ASCP anticipates requesting an extension to the waiver via Senate Executive, in November.

ASCP is looking into the possibility of proposing guard rails around the weight of final exams, which can form 85% of a student’s final grade. Progress on the item will be reported on at a future meeting.

Additional Information about this Meeting

Please refer to the full Senate agenda and supplementary material posted online with the 26 October 2023 meeting for details about the items reported.

https://www.yorku.ca/secretariat/senate/meeting-agendas-and-synopses/

Senate’s next meeting will be held at 3:00 pm on Thursday, 23 November 2023.
RATIFICATION OF NOMINATIONS

The Executive Committee:
Taline Apelian-Sutor (Undergraduate Student Representative)

The Academic Policy and Planning Committee:
Seerat Choudhry (Undergraduate Student Representative)

The Undergraduate Curriculum Committee:
Lomesh Choudhary (Undergraduate Student Representative)
Satyam Verma (Undergraduate Student Representative)

The Committee on Examinations and Academic Standards:
Mustafa Abdulkadhim (Undergraduate Student Representative)

The Petitions Committee:
Claire Del Zotto (Undergraduate Student Representative)
Ruella Ella Ordinaria (Undergraduate Student Representative)

The Appeals Committee:
Sathyanarayanan Venkatesan (Undergraduate Student Representative)
Ailiya Rizwan (Undergraduate Student Representative)

The Committee on Tenure and Promotions:
Madeline Blanco (Undergraduate Student Representative)

The Committee on Research and Awards:
Sara Jazaeihaghighi (Undergraduate Student Representative)

The Committee on Teaching and Learning:
Kirti Vaswani (Undergraduate Student Representative)

Representatives on Senate:
Yuna (Aria) Hwang (Undergraduate Student Representative)
Shon Lazarev (Undergraduate Student Representative)
## 2023-2024 FSc Report on vacancies for Senate and FSc Standing Committees

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### Senate Executive
- 2023-2024 FSc Report on vacancies for Senate and FSc Standing Committees

### Academic Policy, Planning and Research Committee (APPC)
- The Academic Policy and Planning Committee shall include the Dean or designate (ex officio), the Master of Norman Bethune College and one student member of Council, and one student member from each of Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics & Statistics, Physics & Astronomy, and Science, Technology & Society/Natural Science, the Dean of the Faculty of Science (ex officio), one student member of Council, and one of the staff members elected to Council.

### Executive Committee
- The Executive Committee shall be shared by the Chair of Council and include the Vice-Chair of Council, the Secretary of Council, and one member elected from each of Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics & Statistics, Physics & Astronomy, and Science, Technology & Society/Natural Science, the Dean of the Faculty of Science (ex officio), one student member of Council, and one of the staff members elected to Council.

### Undergraduate Curriculum Committee
- The Curriculum Committee that includes the Dean and an Associate Dean (ex officio), the Chair or designate from each teaching Division or Department, three members elected by Council and two student members of Council.

### Senate Executive
- The Senate Executive normally meets the first Tuesday of each month (September to May) from 3pm - 4:30pm

### APCC
- The Academic Policy and Planning Committee normally meets the last Thursday of each month (September to April) from 9:30 am - 10:30 am

### Undergraduate Curriculum Committee
- The Undergraduate Curriculum Committee will normally meet every last Tuesday of each month (September to April) from 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm
## Committee Rules of Faculty Council - membership

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<td><strong>CEAS</strong></td>
<td>In addition to the above membership on the committee, Council shall elect an alternate member from each of the Departments specified above. The alternate member shall be the person polling the next highest number of votes to those elected to the committee from each Department. The alternate for the student member will be selected by the Science Student Caucus from one of its Members at Large. An alternate can only vote in the event that first elected members are not in attendance.</td>
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<td>The Petitions Committee for the purpose of hearing student petitions shall consist of an Associate Dean (ex officio), six members of Council, and two student members of Council. The Committee may divide the workload by splitting the Committee membership into two panels of four people each. A quorum shall consist of either (a) two faculty voting faculty members and one student member or (b) three voting faculty members.</td>
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<td><strong>SRC T &amp; P Committee</strong></td>
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<td>Currently, the Committee on Teaching and Learning shall consist of a minimum of ten faculty members from each department, the Associate Dean – Students, one librarian, one staff member, one undergraduate student, and two graduate students, in addition to other members invited as provided for by the Rules. Graduate students and staff nominees will indicate their interest in serving on the committee in writing to the committee, who will then approve by majority vote.</td>
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### Meeting time

- **CEAS** will normally meet every alternate Thursday from 1:00 - 3:00 pm year round.
- **Petitions** each panel meets once a month on Wednesday or Thursday from 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm.
- **SRC T & P Committee** will normally meet the last Friday of each month (September to May) from 9:00 am - 11:00 am in LUM 300B.
- **CoTL** normally meets every third Thursday of each month (September to May) from 10:00 am - 11:30 am.
- **Committee on Research & Awards** meetings are held once a month and times are posted by the Committee Secretary.
Committee Rules of Faculty Council - membership

Meeting time / Membership

Meeting is held based on availability.

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Member of faculty of Health or Lassonde School of Engineering who is appointed to teach in any FSc graduate program
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