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468th Meeting held on 2 March 2021

Appointments/Re-appointments

Governors

- Renewal of Paul Tsaparis as Chair of the Board for a two-year term starting 1 July 2021 and ending 30 June 2023.

Pension Fund Board of Trustees

- Bruno Bellissimo, as a YURA nominee, effective March 1, 2021 for a three-year term.
- Tammy Paglia, as a YUSA nominee, effective March 1, 2021 for a three-year term.

Approvals

March 2021 Report on Tenure and Promotion.

An increase of \$2M (from \$8M to \$10M), inclusive of HST, for the design and construction of the new building for the Joan and Martin Goldfarb Art Gallery of York University.

In accordance with the Ministry of Colleges and Universities' current Tuition Fee Framework, the domestic tuition fees for fiscal 2021-22 as follows:

- Maintain the 2020-21 Board approved tuition fees during the 2021 spring/summer sessions for domestic students in programs eligible for provincial operating grants.
- When it is released, align any increases in domestic tuition fees for students in undergraduate arts and science with the new government Tuition Fee Framework for the period September 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022, but not to exceed a 3% increase.
- No fee increases are being requested for students in research-based graduate programs.

International tuition fees for fiscal 2021-22 as follows:

- Freeze tuition fees for new international students in undergraduate programs (arts and science, and professional) for the period May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022 at the 2020-21 levels.

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- Freeze tuition fees for continuing international students in undergraduate programs (arts and science, and professional) for the period May 1, 2021 to April 30, 2022 at the 2020-21 levels.
- Tuition fee increases ranging from 0% to 5% for international professional masters programs for 2021-22 as proposed by Faculties. These fees have taken into consideration market demand and pricing in comparison to peer institutions.
- No fee increases are being requested at this time for international research-based graduate programs.

A 1.90% increase in centrally collected ancillary fees in 2021-2022, effective May 1, 2021 as follows:

- For undergraduate students, the recommended increase is \$0.44 per credit, from \$22.91 to \$23.35, resulting in an increase from \$687.30 to \$700.50 for full-time students (enrolled in 30 credits).
- For graduate students in professional programs, the recommended increase is \$6.53, from \$343.64 to \$350.17, for programs charged on a per-term fee basis. Part-time graduate students pay 50% of the full-time fee.

Revisions to the list of signing officers on University bank accounts, effective April 5, 2021.

Presentations

From the President on long-term planning, focused on emerging trends in employment and the economy, financial health indicators, driving forward the University Academic Plan 2020-2025, and aligning the Strategic Plan to support the achievement of the academic goals within the context of the post-secondary education landscape. Updates on FW 2020-21 enrolments, external developments in the post-secondary environment in the context of the pandemic, planning for the 2021-2022 academic year, and Markham Centre Campus progress.

From Dean Sarah Bay-Cheng, School of the Arts, Media, Performance & Design and Dean Jane Goodyer, Lassonde School of Engineering on academic and strategic planning initiatives and innovations in their respective Faculties.

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Reports and Remarks

Brief reports from each of the Executive, Academic Resources, External Relations, Finance and Audit, Governance and Human Resources, and Land and Property committees on matters discussed in their meetings this Board cycle.

Remarks from the President and Chair of the Board expressing appreciation to Jeff O'Hagan, Vice-President Advancement, who is leaving the University, for his long-standing contributions and service to York.

The agenda for the meeting is posted on the Board of Governors website:
<https://secretariat.info.yorku.ca/files/board-agenda-20201201.pdf?x17096>

Pascal Robichaud, Secretary