

York University Board of Governors

Synopsis

477th Meeting held on 29 November 2022

Appointments/Re-appointments

Board of Governors

- Renewal of Paul Tsaparis as Chair of the Board for a two-year term starting 1 July 2023 and ending 30 June 2025.
- Re-appointment of Helen Polatajko as a member of the Board for a final four-year term commencing 1 January 2023 and ending 31 December 2026.
- Re-appointment of Ken Silver as a member of the Board for a final four-year term commencing 1 January 2023 and ending 31 December 2026.

Approvals

The amendment to the Banking Resolution to reflect changes in the Finance and Audit Division for signing officers on University bank accounts.

The President’s November 2022 Report on Appointments, Tenure and Promotion.

The increase to the President’s signing authority for capital projects, and goods and services procured for capital projects, from under \$5M to under \$10M.

The 2023-2024 mandatory Meal Plan rates, as follows:

Mandatory Meal Plans – Proposed Rate Changes	2022/2023	2023/2024
Bronze: increase of 6%	\$ 4250	\$ 4500
Silver: increase of 5%	\$ 4750	\$ 5000
Gold: increase of 5%	\$ 5250	\$ 5500
Platinum: increase of 4%	\$ 5750	\$ 6000
Convenience: increase of 3% (optional plan for students living in suite-style accommodations)	\$ 2900	\$ 3000

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Increases to the 2023-24 undergraduate residence rates, as follows:

Room Type	% Increase
Double rooms in dormitory-style residences	3.7%
Single rooms in dormitory-style residences (excluding bedsitters in Atkinson residence)	3.7%
Suite-style rooms (with kitchens) – Keele campus	3.7%
Suite-style rooms (without kitchens) – Glendon campus	3.7%

All rates include unlimited internet service.

The 2023-2024 York Apartments rental rate, as follows:

- 2.5% increase for all units with continuing leases, to reflect the allowable increase established by the Ontario Rent Increase Guidelines (ORIG) for January 2023.
- 3.7% increase for all units with new leases effective May 1, 2023.

Revisions to the *Policy on Capital Projects*.

Presentations

From the Board Chair on the Council of Ontario Universities Report *on Leading Practices in University Board Governance* which outlined the core elements of governance across Ontario universities.

From the President on the Auditor General's *Special Report on Laurentian University* noting its implications for the province's university sector. The President also provided updates on key projects including York's pandemic response and recovery, the Markham campus, the Goldfarb Gallery, the Sherman Health Sciences Centre and the Vaughan Healthcare Centre Precinct.

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Reports and Remarks

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 Chair of the Board expressing thanks and appreciation to Julie Lassonde for her contributions to the Board of Governors and as Chair of the Board External Relations Committee, this being her final meeting.

The agenda for the meeting is posted on the Board of Governors website:
<https://www.yorku.ca/secretariat/wp-content/uploads/sites/107/2022/11/board-agenda-20221129.pdf>

Pascal Robichaud, Secretary