
NOTICE OF MEETING

**54th Meeting of Faculty Council
Thursday April 14, 2016
3:00 pm – 5:00 pm, Senate Chamber, N940 Ross**

Agenda

1. Call to Order and Approval of the Agenda
2. Chair's Remarks
3. Minutes of the **March 10, 2016** meeting.....1
4. Business Arising from the Minutes
5. **Special Presentation: Plan for the Intensification and Enhancement of Research (PIER)**
Vice-President Research & Innovation Robert Haché
6. **Dean's Report: Academic Planning Process, Budget and Enrolment Update**
7. Question Period
8. Reports of Standing Committees of Council
 - Executive
 - Item for Information: Extension of nomination period – Council and Senate.....3
9. **Item for discussion and feedback: Development of the Advisory Statement for the Presidential Search**
10. Other Business

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.

May 12, 2016

June 9, 2016

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

Senate Chamber
Minutes of the 53rd Meeting of Council
March 10, 2016
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N. Adelson, M. Adrien, R. Arata, P. Avery, J. Berland, K. Bird, I. Boran, Y. Chuang, L. Cozzi, T. Cohen, R. Coombe, A. Davis, N. Dhillon, A. Duncan, Y. Eisenstat, P. Evans, I. Ferrara, R. Grinspun, M. Harper, B. Hart, C. Heron, T. Hwong, D. Jopling, L. Karakowsky, M. Karakul, P. Keall, P. Khaiteer, M. Khalidi, S. Kwon, D. Leyton-Brown, A. MacLennan, T. Maley, J. Marcus, C. Marjollet, M. Martel, J. McMurtry, K. McPherson, J. Michaud, D. Murray, D. Mutimer, D. Ndlovu, P. Ng, A. O'Connell, J. Parkinson, S. Persaud, M. Porporato, H. Qudrat-Ullah, L. Quintanilla, A. Ramjattan, S. Ranganathan, A. Rusetski, L. Sanders, D. Scheffel-Dunand, M. Shoukri, J. Simeon, D. Skinner, A. Solis, L. Stewart, F. Sturino, N. Tahani, A. Tawfiq, K. Thomson, S. Tufts, A. Valeo, J. Warren, A. Weiss, R. Wellen, J. Whelan, E. Winslow, 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 as amended.

2. Chair of Council's Remarks

The Chair welcomed members to the 53rd meeting of Council. She introduced the President who was in attendance at the meeting and informed members that the Ad Hoc Committee on Governance would be giving a presentation later in the meeting. Members were reminded that the deadline for nominations for Council, its Standing Committees and Senate was approaching and that a reminder would be sent out.

3. Minutes of the February 10, 2016 Meeting

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

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was none.

5. President's Remarks

The President began by discussing his delight with the support received for the University Academic Plan. He noted the impact of the 2017-2018 provincial budget on Universities.

The President continued by discussing his mission in India followed by a discussion on the plans for the proposed Markham Campus. He gave members an update on the Markham presentation by the Provost to Senate which highlighted items associated with academic planning, how the campus will look like, costs, and delivery models.

A comment was made regarding remarks made in the Toronto Sun about the University. Questions were raised on how to address issues concerning freedom, liberty and safety when students are feeling silenced and unheard. The President assured members that the University's position supports freedom of expression, academic freedom and freedom of artists. A member suggested that the University create a safe place for students to engage in dialogue where they can raise their concerns and it be used as a vehicle to see different point of view.

6. Dean's Remarks

The Dean began her remarks by briefly discussing the role of the Dean's Advisory Council on Students and that they are a fully engaged body that will be advising the Dean on an ongoing basis.

She further mentioned that the Faculty has set up a daycare fund that is assessable for supporting up to \$1000.00 per term for a sole supporter.

The Dean provided a further update on the planning for the Markham campus.

A member raised concerns over the current exam schedule being shorter this year and that some exams are being held late on Sunday evenings. It was noted that students have raised concerns around safety and transportation availability during these times.

7. Reports of Standing Committees of Council

a) Curriculum Curricular Policy and Standards

It was moved and seconded that the Bachelor of Commerce, School of Administrative Studies be approved.

The proponents discussed the reasons for the development of the proposal and why Council should be in favour of the proposal.

The motion carried.

The consent agenda was approved.

8. Community Consultation: Managerial vs. Bottom-up Governance

A presentation was made by the representatives of the Ad Hoc Committee on Governance. The following were raised as items for consideration:

It was noted that if the review process of deans should involve Council this will need some consideration of what is intended by the outcome of the review. Members discussed that there is already a regular renewal process, if the process is midterm and there are issues who would address them?

Further, members commented on that a midterm review would be difficult, as there would be items that the Dean would be working on for which interrupting would be problematic.

A black and white process around the re-appointment of deans should be the norm.

A question was asked about who the collegium consists of? Is it faculty, staff and students?

A discussion around the open searches and closed searches for deans took place. Members discussed why there was a shift from open to closed. It was noted that members were in favour of an open search but noted that there will be opposition to this at higher levels.

It was further mentioned that as York's largest Faculty that we should be given the same privilege as Osgoode.

Members commented upon the need for search firms as well as their role with the hiring organization. It was noted that the firm is able to get out of the usual networks and reach out to a wide and diverse pool.

The last part of the discussion focused on how to get Council to be more meaningful. It was recommended that there is nothing that prevents items getting on the agendas for discussion and that some time should be allocated for this. It was also noted that the regular business of Council will still need to be conducted.

Members encouraged the Ad Hoc Committee to think about the need for open forums on topics to gather input and provide an opportunity for fuller discussions outside Council.

The meeting adjourned.

I. Boran, Chair of Council

L Cozzi, Secretary of Council

Executive Committee Report to Council

April 2016

ITEM FOR INFORMATION:

1. Extension of Nomination Period– Liberal Arts & Professional Studies Faculty Council and Liberal Arts & Professional Studies Senate Representatives

The Executive Committee has extended the request for nominations to **May 12, 2016**.

At the May meeting of Council nominations will be approved for the following Council and Senate positions, effective **July 1, 2016**.

Chair of Council

Vice-Chair of Council

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 and Student Success

Committee on Student Academic Petitions and Appeals

Liberal Arts & Professional Studies Representatives on Senate

Liberal Arts & Professional Studies Representative on Senate Executive

Details regarding the mandates for each as well as the meeting dates and times are posted on the Faculty Council Website:

<http://www.yorku.ca/laps/council/faculty/nomination.html>