York University
Faculty of Health Council

Notice of Meeting

Wednesday, January 10, 2018
3:00 pm – 4:30 pm

Senate Chamber, N940 Ross Building

Agenda

1. Chair’s Remarks
2. Minutes of the Meeting of December 6, 2017
3. Business arising from the minutes
4. Dean’s Remarks
5. Tracking Success through Indicators Initiative - New Phase
6. Other Business

Faculty of Health meetings support our mission to provide an innovative and supportive environment for learning, discovery and engagement. To ensure our common value of diversity is fully reflected, our events, publications and meetings make every effort to be accessible to all.

2017-2018 Faculty of Health Council Meetings, 3:00pm–4:30pm, Senate Chamber, N940 Ross Building:
Wednesday, February 7, 2018
Wednesday, March 7, 2018
Wednesday, April 4, 2018
Wednesday, May 2, 2018

All are welcome and encouraged to attend!
Faculty of Health
FACULTY COUNCIL
Wednesday, December 6, 2017
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Minutes


Adobe Connect attendance: J. Drake, B. Meisner, E. Schraa, R. Steele.


1. Chair's remarks
Chair N. Richardson welcomed Council members. She thanked Interim Chair of Council H. Edgell and Executive and Planning ‘at large’ member C. Ardern for chairing past Council meetings.

2. Minutes of the Meeting November 1, 2017
Professor M. Fallah moved, seconded by Professor J. Drake, that the minutes of the November 1, 2017 meeting of Council be approved.

The motion carried (via e-vote).

3. Business Arising from the Minutes
There was no business arising from the minutes.

4. Dean’s Remarks
Dean McDonald encouraged members to submit nominations for honorary degrees. He noted that individuals who reflect Health’s vision and mission should be recognized for their contributions to the University, society and/or scholarly, professional or artistic fields.

He reflected on the work and achievement of students across the University and commended faculty and staff for encouraging engagement and supporting student success. He also highlighted that the Faculty is making progress on key initiatives to further enhance strategic plans, teaching and research.

He noted that, with support of the Provost, Health was able to negotiate its enrolment target. He thanked those involved in recruitment including faculty, students and staff.

Dean McDonald congratulated Dr. P. Bradley for collaborating with other institutions to secure funding to further support the Internationally Educated Nurses Program. He also extended praise to Dr. G. Flett whose Canada Research Chair was renewed. He also commented that the Faculty is working to secure a major donation and will continue to work with other financial prospects.

Dean McDonald reflected on the Dr. Eric Jackman Lecture noting the importance of the day and value of connecting with various organization.

Wrapping up his comments, Dean McDonald conveyed season’s greetings and wished everyone a healthy 2018.
5. Report from the Executive and Planning Committee
Chair N. Richardson called upon Dean McDonald to present the report.

Dean McDonald presented the report. Due to a lack of quorum, an e-vote was circulated.

Dean McDonald moved, seconded by Professor M. Dastjerdi, that Faculty of Health’s Petitions Committee create a third Petition Panel to adjudicate files on an ad hoc basis to expeditiously deal with overflow petitions during peak periods.

The motion carried (via e-vote).

Dean McDonald moved, seconded by Professor M. Mosher, that an Ad-Hoc Committee on Graduate Affairs be created. It is recommended that the current Graduate Program Directors, in addition to those who are interested, serve the Committee on Graduate Affairs.

Dean McDonald explained that the Ad-Hoc Committee would assess the feasibility of adopting program specific responsibilities related to graduate studies and how the Faculty of Health could best incorporate graduate-related affairs within Health’s governance structure. The Ad-Hoc would use recommendations and insights from the September 2016 IIRP Working Group: Revisioning Graduate Studies Report to highlight recommendations to Executive and Planning.

The motion carried (via e-vote).

Expressions of interest are to be emailed to Robert Bishop (rbishop@yorku.ca) by Wednesday, January 3, 2018.

6. Faculty Awards
Chair N. Richardson called upon Dean McDonald to present the Faculty Awards.

Dean McDonald highlighted that Faculty Awards were created to recognize the excellence of faculty members in the categories of teaching, service and research.

Dean McDonald presented the 2016-2017 Early Career Faculty Awards to:

Professor N. Richardson, School of Kinesiology and Health Science, Early Career Teaching Award

Professor R. Bassett Gunter, School of Kinesiology and Health Science, Early Career Service Award

Professor Christopher Perry, School of Kinesiology and Health Science, Early Career Research Award

The Dean acknowledged those who had taken the time to nominate and create nomination packages. Additionally, he spoke to the work and contributions of the Research and Awards Committee for vetting and selecting award recipients.

7. Senator’s Report
Senator Birot’s report was included in the Council package.

It was highlighted that Senate, in principle, approved revisions to the Senate common Grading Scheme for Undergraduate Faculties. The revised Grading Scheme will be a 13-point scale (including minus grades) and grades will be calculated to GPA weight of 4.0. Additionally, members were encouraged to review
changes to the Faculty of Graduate Studies Policy on Graduate Supervision.

Chair N. Richardson noted that the Senate agenda package and meeting synopsis, are posted on the Senate website.

8. Other Business

The meeting was adjourned.

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R. Bishop, Secretary