

**York University
Faculty of Health Council**

Notice of Meeting

**Wednesday, January 8, 2025
3:00 pm – 4:30 pm
HYBRID – Senate Chamber, Ross N940 & Zoom**

Agenda

- 1. Chair’s Remarks**
- 2. Business arising from the minutes**
- 3. Presentation: School of Medicine, Christopher Perry & Nancy Sangiuliano**
- 4. Report of the Executive and Planning Committee**
 - *Vote: Approval in principle to establish a School of Medicine as a new academic unit within the Faculty of Health at York University.*
- 5. Presentation: Faculties of the Future, Lisa Philipps**
- 6. Dean’s Remarks**
- 7. Senator’s Report: December 2024**
- 8. Other Business**

Consent Agenda

Consent agenda items are deemed to be approved or received unless, prior to the start of the meeting, one or more Council members ask that they be dealt with as regular business.

1. Minutes of the Meeting of December 4, 2024

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.

2024-2025 Faculty of Health Council Meetings, 3:00pm–4:30pm:

- Wednesday, February 5, 2025
- Wednesday, March 5, 2025
- Wednesday, April 2, 2025
- Wednesday, May 7, 2025

All are welcome and encouraged to attend!

Faculty of Health
FACULTY COUNCIL
Wednesday, December 4, 2024
Hybrid Meeting: Senate Chamber Ross N940 and ZOOM

Minutes

Attendance: F. Ahmad, M. Aitken, F. Amis, M. Barranti, A. Berthelot-Raffard, M. Bertram, G. Binsted, G. Boateng, Y. Bohr, T. Boritz, S. Bowerman, D. Brown, C. Buick, K. Campbell, A. Chum, T. Cleworth, R. Coatsworthy-Puspoky, J. Connolly, T. Daly, M. Dastjerdi, A. Day, A. De Lisio, K. Dunn, J. Eastwood, H. Edgell, O. Eyawo, J. Fraser-Thomas, L. Ginsburg, J. Goldberg, R. Gunter, M. Hamadeh, L. Harris, M. Herbert, S. Hillier, L. Hynes, N. Stuckless, V. Jamnik, C. Kurtz Landy, L. Lamarche, R. Lenton, A. Macpherson, V. Mago, C. Mallette, A. Mapp, B. Meisner, A. Moore, S. Moradian, M. Morrow, S. Murtha, R. Ophir, B. Oraziotti, K. Page-Cutrara, K. Pederal, A. Perry, C. Perry, D. Peters, M. Poirier, N. Richardson, R. Robbio, C. Rowan, P. Safai, N. Sangiuliano, M. Singh, M. Smith, P. Tsisis, L. van Dreumel, R. Venkatesa Perumal, B. Weobong

Guests: J. Abrams, M. Amalathas, B. Ashour, M. Beharry, D. Burrell, P. Calderon-Valdivia, A. Charnaw, L. Cheng, F. Clarke, Y. Delaviz, G. DiLorenzo, K. Evans, B. Fernandes, J. Fung, A. Furlano, G. Gringhuis, R. Gritsyuk, J. Hard, K. Hetherington, N. Kishinchandani, E. Marston, H. Maunder, J. McGillivray, C. Murray, S. Nikfar, O. Onalaja, R. Pereira, S. Pereira, M. Pogorzelski, J. Rop, K. Russell, J. Sundaramoorthy, V. Thomas, B. Thompson, V. Thompson

1. Chair's remarks

A. Moore welcomed members and explained how the meeting would be conducted in a hybrid setting.

2. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

3. Budget Consultation

President and Vice-Chancellor, R. Lenton, Provost and Vice-President Academic, D. Peters and Vice-President Finance and Administration N. Kishinchandani presented to Council.

Provost Peters provided an update on the current budget providing some context about the Operational Plans and the SHARP budget model. He noted the challenges the post-secondary sector is facing including tuition freezes, the overturn of Bill 124 and caps on international student enrolment and the implications of these items on the budget. He noted that the 2023-2024 year had significant implications on the budget and that there will be a move towards recovery over the next few years with the intention to increase growth.

Vice-President Finance and Administration, N. Kishinchandani addressed Council. He noted that the Board approved budget was provided in the spring and noted there are gaps in our ability to balance the budget based on items discussed by Provost Peters. He discussed the three-year budget cycle and noted how the university will have to work to generate revenues.

Council members also discussed:

- How to use the Markham campus for new program growth.

- How to optimize programs.
- Funding implications for shared services.
- How to further develop Co-op and Experiential Education programs.
- How to prioritize the strengths of the university.
- How to bring forward initiatives to help capitalize on opportunities.
- International student targets in relation to other universities within Canada.

4. Dean's Remarks

Dean Ardern welcomed Council members. He began his remarks noting the sector wide challenges that are being faced and the need to react efficiently and effectively to the tough decisions that will need to be made to protect the student experience. He also noted that there are exciting opportunities forthcoming and there is room to build out on these opportunities and build partnerships.

Dean Ardern noted that the January Council will address the Faculties of the Future report / Forward Action Plan. He acknowledged that there is much to be done and appreciates everyone's effort and support in these areas.

Dean Ardern concluded noted that in the interest of time, he will provide his acknowledgements and kudos at the January meeting.

5. Discussion of Proposal for a School of Medicine in the Faculty of Health: Governance Process Updates and Delay of Vote

Dean Ardern provided Council members with a review of the current activities and the rationale behind the changes to the previously outlined process. He discussed the sequencing of events and recognized that there has been a further delay to processes while pan-university consultations continue.

He discussed the architecture at the heart of the discussions and that there are three proposed model options to be outlined in the forthcoming report. The vote will be delayed until January once the consultations and broader discussions have concluded and the feedback received has been compiled into a new proposal. There was a feeling that conducting a vote in December would be pre-mature as feedback was still being collected. The decision to delay the vote does not change the intent. It will still be crucial to let people know that there is interest from the Faculty of Health.

6. Senator's Report

In lieu of an in-person Senator's report for November 2024, a link to the Senate synopsis was provided online and Council members were encouraged to review the materials. Questions pertaining to Senate items can be directed to the Faculty Council email for further follow-up.

7. Other Business

There was no other business.

The meeting adjourned.

J. Fung, Council Secretary

**Report of the Executive and Planning Committee
of the Faculty of Health
January 2025**

Item for Action (1)

1. Notice of Upcoming Motion

The Executive and Planning Committee would like to recommend the “Approval in principle to establish a School of Medicine as a new academic unit within the Faculty of Health at York University.”