York University Board of Governors

Synopsis

441st Meeting held on 8 December 2015

Appointments / Re-Appointments

Pension Fund Board of Trustees

- William Hatanaka as the Board of Governors nominee for a three-year term effective 31 October 2015
- Ron Gernat as a YUSA Nominee for a three-year term effective 31 October 2015 (re-appointment)
- Sean Taylor as a CUPE 1356-01 nominee for a three-year term effective 31 October 2015

Approvals

The slate of nominees to the 2015-2016 Presidential Search Committee; a list of the Search Committee members is attached.

The naming of the Technology Enhanced Learning Building as the Victor Phillip Dahdaleh Building (“Dahdaleh Building”).

The naming of the Dahdaleh Institute for Global Health (“Dahdaleh Institute”).

Consent to the University obtaining a partial bilingual designation under the French Language Services Act, with any necessary changes to the Board General By-Laws upon subsequent approval by the Board.

A $3.5 million capital project to replace the fire alarm systems in 7 student residence buildings on the Keele and Glendon campuses.

An extension of the Osgoode Professional Development Centre’s lease at its downtown location for a period of up to 10 years, commencing in February 2018.


The appointment of Ricoh Canada Incorporated as the vendor of record for the University’s managed print services, effective 8 December 2015 – 31 January 2017 with an option to renew the term for up to three additional one-year terms.

Minor revisions to the Statement of Investment Policies and Procedures.
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In accordance with the Fall 2015 student referendum results, the following new / revised levies effective FW 2016-2017:

- Increase in the full-time graduate student levy from $39.98 to $43.31 per term, and an increase in the part-time graduate student levy from $19.99 to $21.66 per term) annually indexed to the Toronto Consumer Price Index (TCPI).

- A new Juris Doctorate (JD) student levy of $7.50 per term for the Osgoode Mediation Clinic annually indexed to the TCPI.

- A new levy of $0.15 per credit for Glendon and Keele undergraduate students, a $1.50 per term levy for full-time graduate students, and a $0.75 levy for part-time graduate students for Regenesis Environmental and Community Initiatives at York, annually indexed to the TCPI.

Reports/Presentations

A Mid-year University Update presented by the President.

A presentation on Research Innovation and Commercialization by the Vice-President Research & Innovation

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

The agenda for the meeting is posted on the Board of Governors website.

For further information on any of the above items contact the University Secretariat.

Maureen Armstrong, Secretary
Presidential Search Committee Members  
confirmed by the Board of Governors December 8, 2015

Rick Waugh, Chair of the Search Committee (Governor and Alumnus) was appointed to the Board of Governors in 2014 and became Chair in 2015. He holds a Bachelor of Commerce (Honours) degree from the University of Manitoba, an MBA from York, and Honorary Doctor of Laws degrees from several universities. Mr Waugh was appointed an Officer of the Order of Canada for his contributions to strengthening the financial services industry in Canada and abroad.

Susan Black (Governor and Alumna) was appointed to the Board in 2009. She serves as a Vice-Chair of the Board, Chair of the Governance and Human Resources Committee and a member of the Executive Committee. A graduate of Yale University (BA) and the Harvard Business School (MBA), Dr. Black also holds a PhD in organizational studies from the Schulich School of Business at York University.

Ozench Ibrahim (Governor) was appointed to the Board on July 1, 2009 and serves as Chair of the Finance and Audit Committee and as a member of the Executive Committee. Ms. Ibrahim is a partner in KPMG’s Banking, Financial Institutions Practice. She has extensive experience in the financial institutions industry, auditing and advising Canadian banks.

Ray Jayawardhana (Science) is the Dean of the Faculty of Science, a position he has held since 2014. He is a professor of physics and astronomy, and also a popular science writer. He came to York from the University of Toronto, where he held the Canada Research Chair in Observational Astrophysics.

Michael Kenny (Graduate student, Education) is a second year PhD student in the Faculty of Education. He was a member of the last decanal Search Committee in the Faculty of Environmental Studies and has served on several boards of agencies including the Escarpment Biosphere Conservancy and Regenesis at York University.

David Leyton-Brown (LAPS) is the Master of McLaughlin College, a Professor of Political Science and the former Dean of the Faculty of Graduate Studies. He is also currently serving as a faculty member representative on the Board of Governors and participates on the Academic Resources Committee.

David McFadden (Governor and Alumnus) was appointed to the Board of Governors in 2013 and serves as Chair of the Marketing, Communications & Community Affairs Committee, and as a member of the Executive Committee. He is counsel at Gowling Lafleur Henderson LLP and is the Chair of the Board of Directors of 407 International Inc.
Kim Michasiw (LAPS) is an Associate Professor, English/Writing and is just completing a lengthy term as Associate Dean in the Faculty of Liberal Arts & Professional Studies. He is also a former Chair of the English Department. Professor Michasiw served on the last Presidential Search Committee.

Roxanne Mykitiuk (Osgoode) is an Associate Professor of Law. She is the former Chair of Senate and has served on numerous Senate and Faculty Committees, the Chancellor Search Committee and many pan-University groups.

Dalubuhle Ndlovu (Undergraduate student, LAPS) is in his third-year in the Human Rights & Equity Studies program. He is a Senator, the Executive Treasurer of the Student Council of the Faculty of Liberal Arts and Professional Studies, a member of the LAPS Faculty Council and its Executive Committee.

Roopa Trilokekar (Education) is an Associate Professor in the Faculty of Education. Professor Trilokekar’s scholarship is focused on international education, and areas of her current research interests include government policy in international education and a critical understanding of the study abroad student experience.

Paul Tsaparis (Governor and Alumnus) was appointed to the Board in October 2010 and serves as Chair of the Land and Property Committee and as a member of the Executive Committee, the Governance and Human Resources Committee and the York University Development Corporation Board of Directors. Paul holds an MBA from York and an undergraduate degree in science and economics from the University of Toronto.

Amanda Wassermuhl (Non-academic staff member/Alumna) is the Executive Assistant to the Dean of Osgoode Hall Law School and is the Secretary of the Osgoode Faculty Council. Ms Wassermuhl serves as the non-academic staff member on the Board of Governors, appointed in July 2015, and participates on its Academic Resources Committee.

Henry Wu (Governor) was appointed to the Board of Governors in December 2010. He serves as Chair of the Academic Resources Committee and is a member of the Executive and Finance and Audit Committees and a Board member of Senate. Mr. Wu is President of Metropolitan Hotels. He holds both MSc and BSc degrees in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science from MIT.