

The Senate of York University

Meeting Synopsis

The 644th Meeting of Senate
held on Thursday, April 12, 2018

Remarks

The Chair of Senate, Professor Lesley Beagrie, welcomed Senators and members of the community attending the special meeting. She paid respects to Mark Cross, a victim of the Humboldt Broncos tragedy and former York Lions hockey player.

Motions Approved

Senate approved a motion from the Executive Committee calling on faculty members and administrators to

- 1) take a flexible, reasonable approach to balancing the pillars of the Disruptions Policy – academic integrity with fairness to students,
- 2) maintain open communication with students and respond in a timely way to inquiries from students, and
- 3) be responsive to unique needs of students, with special emphasis on those for whom real time limits are being internally or externally imposed, making continued participation in the course impossible or significantly disadvantageous to students, including those poised to graduate this spring.

Also approved was a hortative motion expressing the view that

Senate urges both sides in the labour disruption to immediately return to the bargaining table and take the necessary steps to settle the dispute as soon as possible

Committee Information Items

Executive

The Executive Committee's information items included the following:

- actions taken by the Committee prior to and since the outset of the disruption that began on March 5 as a result of the CUPE 3903 strike

April Meeting of Senate

The next regular meeting of Senate is scheduled for 3:00 p.m. on
Thursday, April 26, 2018