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460th Meeting held on 23 June 2020

Remarks

Appreciation was conveyed by the Chair to governors whose terms are ending for their hard work and dedication during their tenure on the Board, and newly appointed members of the Board were welcomed.

Also acknowledged was the incredible effort and ingenuity being taken across all sectors of the University to navigate the challenges arising from the COVID-19 pandemic and sustain the delivery of high quality education and research. The Board was thanked for the valuable oversight and insight it is bringing to assist the University’s response to the unprecedented circumstances.

In recognizing the local and global uprisings against anti-Black racism, the importance of the University taking action on racial equality was emphasized, guided by the principles articulated in the President’s Initiative on Open & Respectful Dialogue.

Appointments

The following two-year appointments to the Board of Governors, effective 1 July 2019:

- Joanie Cameron Pritchett, non-academic staff nominee
- Mazen Hamedeh, Senator nominee

Approvals

The naming of the Executive Learning Centre at the Schulich School of Business as the Dezső J. Horváth Executive Learning Centre

The President’s June 2020 report on appointments, tenure and promotion.

The three-year operating budget for 2020-21 to 2022-23.

The University financial statements for the year ended 30 April 2020.

Appointment of Ernst & Young as the auditor for the University for the fiscal year 2020-2021.

A 3-year, $7.8M contract with NOUS Group Holdings (Canada) Ltd. for the development and execution of a service excellence roadmap, with two optional 24 month extensions for the contract.
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A $3M budget for the replacement of a cooling tower for the Keele campus.

A $2 M budget for enhancements to the exterior façade of the Victor P. Dahdaleh building

Tuition fees for the Master of Science in Management Practice effective FW 2020-2021, as follows:
  • $4,306.53 for 3 terms for domestic full-time students
  • $18,825.00 for 3 term for international full-time students.

Tuition fees for the Graduate Diploma in Management effective FW 2020-2021 as follows:
  • $7,000.20 for 2 terms for domestic full-time students
  • $10,500.30 for 2 terms for international full-time students.

The termination of the Graduate Environmental Studies Student Association levy and the implementation of the York University Graduate Student Association levy for Master of Environmental Studies students.

An Affordable Housing Committee levy of $2.50 per term for part-time students and $5.00 per term for full-time students, applicable to graduate students in the Faculty of Graduate Studies, Environmental Studies & Urban Change and the Schulich School of Business.

A budget of $8.15M for the acquisition and implementation of equipment to renew the University’s aging computer network.

The University’s authorized signing officers for 2020-2021.

Presentations

The President’s year-end report on achievements in 2019-2020 and looking ahead.

From Ilana Lazar on the activities of the Student Representative Roundtable in 2019-2020.

From the Vice-President Finance and Administration and the Provost on the multi-year budget plan for 2020-21 to 2022-23.

Reports

From the Academic Resources Committee, the report from the APPRC-ASCP Joint Sub-Committee on Quality Assurance.
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From the Governance and Human Resources Committee, the 2019 Employment Equity and the 2019 Health, Safety & Employee Well-Being Annual Reports.

The 2019 Annual Reports of the Sexual Violence Advisory Committee and the Centre for Sexual Violence Response and Education

The 2019 Annual Investment Report from the Investment Committee.

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

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

Pascal Robichaud, Secretary