

University of Toronto – Faculty of Kinesiology and Physical Education
Faculty Council Minutes
May 19, 2022 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Virtual Meeting, Zoom

Present: Jack Goodman (Chair), Adam Ali, Catherine Amara, Kelly Arbour-Nicitopoulos, Michael Atkinson, Robert Bentley, Barb Brophay, Timothy Burkhart, Tracia Finlay-Watson, Caroline Fusco, Jenna Gillen, Paul Handley, Janelle Joseph, Gretchen Kerr, Jen Krol, Marius Locke, Margaret MacNeill, Lynda Mainwaring, Hassaan Mahmood, , Wendy Pais, Catherine Sabiston, Boba Samuels, Malieka Shahid, Luc Simard, Amy Suhanic, Ashley Stirling, Tim Taha, Andrei Uzumtoma, Tim Welsh

Guests: Natalie Agro, Tim Linden, Sabrina Malouka, Maryanne McCormick, Sarah Ryan, Lucy Tempest, Mandy Wang

Regrets: Joyce Chen, Veronika Katsiuk, Sasha Renton DeLannoy, Merrily Stratten

Secretariat: Carolyn Laidlaw

1. **Call to Order:** The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.
2. **Approval of Agenda:** The agenda was accepted as presented. (**Motion:** Amara/Atkinson)
3. **Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of the April 8, 2022 meeting were accepted as presented. (**Motion:** Fusco/Shahid)

4. Committee Reports

a. **Executive Committee** – No report

b. Undergraduate Examinations

Professor Amara provided the Grades Report for Council's information. The final grades were released to students on a rolling basis as they were approved by Vice Dean Stirling, this expedited process is appreciated by students.

Professor Amara then presented the Audit Report for Faculty Council's approval. This report showed the distribution of grades across each year of the program (Years 1-4, non-degree), first year probation history, academic standings, and graduation eligibility. Of our graduating BKin students, 77 are graduating with high honours, 61 with honours, and 62 in good standing. There is also one BPHE student graduating. Professor Amara thanked Tim Linden for providing the snapshot of data for this report to Council, and the report was approved. (**Motion:** Amara/Finlay-Watson, Carried).

c. **Curriculum Committee** – No report

d. Admissions Committee

Professor Taha reported that the last round of offers was finished last week, and that the Faculty is on track with the yield calculations for approximately 300 students. The committee met last Tuesday to award the Inclusive Excellence and Allan Parker awards. He asked if in future years it might be possible to double up these awards so that both deserving groups are able to receive these awards, if possible.

e. **Graduate Committee** – No report

f. Research Committee

Professor Welsh reported that the committee had recently been discussing the Summer Research projects/awards, and how to better advertise them to attract more interest, and to start the process earlier.

- g. Council of Athletics and Recreation** – No report
- h. Equity Committee** – No report
- i. Awards Committee** – No report
- j. Restricted Funds Committee** – No report
- k. Sponsorship Committee** – No report

5. EDU Reports

- a. Centre for Sport Policy Studies** – No report
- b. Centre for Motor Control**

Professor Welsh reported that the final presentation in this year's speaker series was made by Professor Lori Vallis from the University of Guelph, who presented on executive function while walking, which attracted 50 attendees from across Canada.

The Centre co-hosted graduate and undergraduate student research symposium with Wilfrid Laurier University and the Southern Ontario Motor Behavior group at Laurier. There were more than 20 presentations from universities across southern Ontario, and the event was attended by more than 60 people in a hybrid format. This event will be hosted at the University of Toronto next year.

- c. Mental Health and Physical Activity Research Centre** – No report
- d. Centre for Sport-Related Concussion Research, Innovation and Knowledge** – No report

6. Deans' Reports

a. Dean

Professor Kerr reported that the strategic planning process is continuing, and that the strategy hives were instrumental in allowing our community to contribute their thoughts about what they want our Faculty to be known for, and where we can have further impact. Currently the information gathered is now being synthesized into thematic priorities and goals. The overall themes were shared at a professoriate and senior management meeting yesterday, and will be refined further to be shared widely at a town hall meeting in June.

Upcoming events:

May 4: Dean's Student Leadership Awards ceremony for undergraduate and graduate students, held in person

June 3: Convocation ceremony and reception, to be held in person for the first time since 2019. The University is also planning in person ceremonies for those who graduated remotely during the pandemic, more information on this will be shared once known.

Finally, she thanked Professor Goodman for his work as Chair of Faculty Council this past year. Professor Goodman will be retiring on June 30, 2022, after 33 years at the Faculty.

b. Vice Dean, Academics

Professor Stirling reported that the summer term is off to a good start, with 444 KPE students registered in our courses, plus more in Faculty of Arts & Science courses. Planning is underway for the 2022-23 academic year, with timetables, calendars and handbooks in progress. Student registration will occur in early July. Currently there is hiring happening for three student programs across our Faculty – Peer Connect, KINnections, and the Student Ambassador program. Hiring for sessional instructors (60 positions) and teaching assistants (225 positions) is also underway.

c. Associate Dean, Research

Professor Welsh reminded faculty that as part of the process of returning to campus, office spaces and keys need to be formally assigned. An email outlining the details of this process will be sent out soon.

Professor Welsh announced that the summer student research experiences have been launched, with 10 scholarships awarded. He thanked Professor Moore for organizing additional experiences for these students. The SSHRC institutional grant process will be beginning soon, with a quick turnaround, all who are eligible are encouraged to apply.

Finally, he reminded faculty that there will be an internal competition in June for the Banting Postdoc Fellowship, as we are allocated one spot to apply for this prestigious award. If any faculty are interested in trying to recruit and have a post doc apply for this award, please get in touch as soon as possible, as the application process is quite involved.

d. Executive Director, Athletics and Physical Activity – No report

e. Chief Administrative Officer

Paul Handley reported that the Goldring lab redesign process is nearly completed.

7. Student Governments' Reports

a. KPEUA – No report

b. KPEGS

Daniel Sibley reported that the Bodies of Knowledge conference was held on Tuesday May 17, with the theme of “Equity, diversity and inclusion: Reflexive considerations for research practice and design”. There were 25 presenters from the University of Toronto and beyond, and about 50 participants in total. Thanked Professor Joseph and Dr. Nicole Kaniki for their keynote addresses. More information can be found on website: <https://kpe.utoronto.ca/academics-researchconferences-seminars-symposia/bodies-knowledge>

8. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned 10:50 a.m. (**Motion:** Amara/Stirling, Carried)