

ACADEMIC COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORT

SESSION:

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ACTION REQUESTED:

Decision
 Discussion/Direction
 Information

TO: Academic Council

DATE: June 22, 2021

FROM: Governance & Nominations Committee (GNC)

SUBJECT: Nomination to Academic Council and Standing Committee

COMMITTEE MANDATE:

- Section 1(b) of the GNC Terms of Reference lists one of the responsibilities of the committee as overseeing the process of recruitment, selection, and election of new members of Academic Council and its committees and recommending appointments for approval by Academic Council in accordance with the university’s Act and By-laws.
- We are seeking Academic Council’s approval for the appointment of the remaining FSSH teaching staff position on Academic Council and for one of the vacant positions on the Honorary Degrees Committee.

BACKGROUND/CONTEXT:

- The 2021 Academic Council Election took place from February 8 – March 19 in accordance with the Election Timeline that was approved by the committee in November 2020.
- There were several vacant positions on Academic Council and its standing committees for which no nominations were received.
- Given the number of remaining vacancies, the GNC directed the Office of the University Secretary and General Counsel (USGC) to keep the vacant positions posted on the website and to continue to accept nominations until the end of the academic year. The GNC also asked the USGC to reach out to the Faculties to inform them of the vacancies and to encourage the submission of nominations.

- We have received a nomination for the remaining vacant FSSH teaching staff position and for one of the vacant teaching staff positions on the Honorary Degrees Committee.
- We confirm the eligibility of the nominees to serve in the roles.

NEXT STEPS:

1. The Office of the University Secretary & General Counsel (USGC) will notify the nominees of the outcome.

MOTION:

That pursuant to the recommendation of the Governance & Nominations Committee, Academic Council hereby approves the following appointments to the stated positions for the term of July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2024:

- *Andrea Slane – Faculty of Social Science and Humanities position on Academic Council*
- *Tess Pierce – teaching staff position on Honorary Degrees Committee*

SUPPORTING REFERENCE MATERIALS:

- none