



ACADEMIC COUNCIL REPORT

SESSION:

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ACTION REQUESTED:

Decision
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 Information

TO: Academic Council

DATE: September 24, 2019

FROM: Governance & Nominations Committee (GNC)

SUBJECT: Standing Committees – Expressions of Interest

COMMITTEE MANDATE:

- In accordance with the GNC’s Terms of Reference, the committee is responsible for 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 *UOIT Act* and By-laws. In doing so, the Committee shall strive to achieve a balance of skills, expertise, and knowledge among its membership, while reflecting the demographic and cultural diversity of the communities served by the university.
- We are recommending the appointment of faculty members of Council to the Governance and Nominations Committee (GNC) and Undergraduate Studies Committee (USC).

BACKGROUND/CONTEXT:

GNC

- The terms of several members of the GNC ended as of June 30, 2019, leaving additional vacancies on the committee in addition to those that remained unfilled from last year.
- The vacant faculty positions on GNC are:
 - Business & Information Technology
 - Education
 - Energy Systems & Nuclear Science
 - Engineering & Applied Science
 - Science

- There is also a vacant student position on the GNC.

USC

- The Board of Governors approved the updated USC Terms of Reference on June 26, 2019.
- The updated Terms of Reference added 2 faculty members from Academic Council as part of the committee's membership.

Consistent with the recent nominations process used for filling faculty and student vacancies on ACX and GNC, expressions of interest were solicited for the above vacant positions.

The same number or fewer expressions of interest were received as the number of positions available. Accordingly, all members who submitted expressions of interest are being recommended for appointment.

MOTION:

That pursuant to the recommendations of the Governance & Nominations Committee, Academic Council hereby approves the appointment of the following faculty members to the specified standing committee for the stated term:

Governance & Nominations Committee

- *Hossam Gaber (FESNS) – October 1, 2019 – June 30, 2021*
- *Ferdinand Jones (FBIT) – October 1, 2019 – June 30, 2021*
- *Hossam Kishawy (FEAS) – October 1, 2019 – June 30, 2022*

Undergraduate Studies Committee

- *Mehdi Hossein Nejad (FBIT) – October 1, 2019 – June 30, 2022*
- *Phillip Shon (FSSH) – October 1, 2019 – June 30, 2021*

NEXT STEPS:

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

SUPPORTING REFERENCE MATERIALS:

- none



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FROM: Governance & Nominations Committee (GNC)

SUBJECT: Nominations – Graduate Studies 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 presenting nominations recommended by GNC for approval by Academic Council.

BACKGROUND/CONTEXT:

The review of the GSC Terms of Reference are underway. The proposed amendments to the Terms of Reference would change to membership to include the Graduate Program Directors of each Faculty as *ex officio* members of the committee. Until such time as the updated Terms of Reference are recommended by Academic Council and approved by the Board of Governors, the Chair of GSC has recommended the appointment of the members set out in the motion below.

MOTION:

That pursuant to the recommendation of the Governance and Nominations Committee, Academic Council hereby approves the appointment of the following faculty members to

the Graduate Studies for the term of September 24, 2019 until June 30, 2022, or until such time as the Terms of Reference are updated:

- *Bin Chang, Faculty of Business & Information Technology*
- *Jia Li, Faculty of Education*
- *Hossam Kishawy, Faculty of Engineering & Applied Science*
- *Manon Lemonde, Faculty of Health Sciences*
- *Hossam Gaber, Faculty of Energy Systems & Nuclear Science*
- *Anatoli Chkrebti, Faculty of Science*
- *Chris O'Connor, Faculty of Social Science & Humanities*

NEXT STEPS:

1. The Office of the University Secretary & General Counsel (USGC) will notify the Chair of the Graduate Studies Committee of the outcome of the Council's discussion.

SUPPORTING REFERENCE MATERIALS:

- none



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SUBJECT: Nominations – Research Board

COMMITTEE MANDATE:

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We are presenting nominations recommended by GNC for approval by Academic Council.

MOTION:

That pursuant to the nominations received from the Chair of the Research Board, the Governance and Nominations Committee hereby recommends the appointment of the following faculty members to the Research Board for the term of September 24, 2019 until June 30, 2021:

- *Bin Chang, Faculty of Business & Information Technology, Associate Dean, Research*
- *Jia Li, Faculty of Education, Assistant Dean, Graduate Studies, Research and International*
- *Kirk Atkinson, Faculty of Energy Systems and Nuclear Science, Associate Professor*
- *Hossam Kishawy, Faculty of Engineering & Applied Science, Associate Dean*

- *Manon Lemonde, Faculty of Health Sciences, Associate Dean, Research and Graduate Studies*
- *Sean Forrester, Faculty of Science, Associate Dean*

NEXT STEPS:

1. The Office of the University Secretary & General Counsel (USGC) will notify the Chair of the Research Board of the outcome of the Council's discussion.

SUPPORTING REFERENCE MATERIALS:

- none