



**ACADEMIC COUNCIL
GOVERNANCE & NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE (GNC)**

Minutes of the Public Session of the Meeting of September 19, 2023
2:31-2:42 p.m., Videoconference

Attendees:

Steven Murphy (Chair)
Robert Bailey
Wendy Barber
Toba Bryant
Ferdinand Jones
Lori Livingston
Patricia MacMillan
Carol Rodgers
MaryCae Serote
Lauren Turner

Staff:

Krista Hester
Kimberley McCartney

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:31 p.m. and read aloud the Land Acknowledgement.

2. Agenda

Upon a motion duly made by R. Bailey and seconded by T. Bryant, the Agenda was approved as presented.

3. Minutes of the Public Session of the Meeting of June 20, 2023

Upon a motion duly made by F. Jones and seconded by M. Serote, the Minutes were approved as presented.

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

None.

5. Chair's Remarks

The Chair welcomed members to the new academic term and thanked them for their service. He noted the energy on campus was more akin to semester start-ups pre-pandemic. The Chair then highlighted several upcoming events, including the Chancellor's Challenge supporting student scholarships and bursaries on September 23rd. Also, the National Day

for Truth and Reconciliation is on September 30th, which will be recognized with a meeting free day on Friday, September 29th and a number of resources, initiatives, and programming are available. He also noted that the first Ontario Tech Fall Convocation will be taking place with two ceremonies scheduled to give graduates more flexibility and take some pressure off the spring Convocation.

6. Inquiries & Communications

None.

7. Governance

(a) Faculty Council Membership Lists

K. McCartney noted that the presentation of Faculty Council lists for approval by Academic Council is an annual exercise. The Faculty Council lists have been received from three Faculties, and the remaining lists are expected in October. She highlighted that the list from the Faculty of Social Science and Humanities had been updated. A member noted the formatting of the spreadsheets should be adjusted prior to presentation at Academic Council in order to clarify some of the data and their descriptors. The Secretariat committed to doing so.

Upon a motion duly made by L. Livingston and seconded by T. Byant, the Governance and Nominations Committee hereby recommends the following 2023-2024 Faculty Council membership lists, as presented, for approval by Academic Council:

- *Faculty of Education*
- *Faculty of Engineering & Applied Science*
- *Faculty of Social Science & Humanities*

Kimberley McCartney, Assistant University Secretary