

Minutes of the Meeting of the University Planning Committee

Wednesday, May 29, 2024 at 10:30 AM, via Zoom Videoconference

- PRESENT:** Susan Tighe (Chair), Carmela Alfaro-Laganse, Karen Bird, Ryan Clarke, Ori Epstein, Saher Fazilat, Lauren Fink, Steve Hranilovic, Andy Knights, Mark Larché, Jake Nease, Brenda Vrkljan, Nicole Wager, Andrea Thyret-Kidd, (University Secretary & Chief Governance and Privacy Officer), Michelle Zheng, (Associate University Secretary), Sherri Keene, (Assistant University Secretary)
- OBSERVERS:** Dina Brooks, Kim Dej, Matheus Grasselli, Sean Van Koughnett
- CONSULTANTS:** Ehab Kamarah, Melissa Pool
- INVITEES:** Jessica Fry, *Manager, Office of Chief Risk Officer*
Colin George, *Chief Risk Officer*
Debbie Martin, *Associate Vice-President, Real Estate, Ancillary Operations and Partnerships*
Rob Morrallee, *Senior Manager, Parking Services*
Anna Purina, *Chief Internal Auditor*
Leah Rosenthal, *Director, Donor Relations*
- REGRETS:** Arlene Dosen, David Farrar, Khaled Hassanein, Lili Litwin
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OPEN SESSION

1. Notice of Meeting - May 15, 2024

The notice of meeting was circulated on May 15, 2024.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting – May 8, 2024 (Open Session)

It was duly moved and seconded,

that the University Planning Committee approve the open session minutes of the meeting held on May 8, 2024, as circulated.

The motion was **Carried**.

3. Chair's Comments and Update

Susan Tighe, *Provost and Vice-President (Academic)*, advised members that the University successfully resolved the encampment and reached an agreement with those involved

without compromising its principles. While not meeting all demands, the agreement includes increased transparency into investments and a review of agreements, while ensuring academic freedom and collaboration with other universities remains unaffected. Concerns were raised by a member regarding the University's funding priorities, particularly noting the apparent disparity between finding funds for some encampment demands versus establishing an antisemitism task force. S. Tighe noted support for all students through the Scholars at Risk program and clarified that existing funds were used, not new allocations. Additionally, there was discussion about accommodating specific requests for psychotherapists on a temporary basis. S. Tighe also addressed issues of vandalism and intimidation during the encampment, clarifying that individuals who engaged in such behaviors will not receive amnesty.

S. Tighe highlighted that the Faculty of Health Sciences held Convocation in May and there will be a full week in June when all other Faculties will hold their Convocation ceremonies.

4. Business Arising

There was no business arising.

5. Report from the Internal Audit and Office of Chief Risk Officer

Colin George, *Chief Risk Officer*, and Anna Purina, *Chief Internal Auditor* joined the meeting to present the Report from the Internal Audit and Office of Chief Risk Officer.

The Committee asked questions around the University's policy on insurance coverage for Canadian-based clinical trials like Faricimab and whether these trials are funded by the University. There was also inquiry into how federal and provincial governmental risks are categorized within the University's risk assessment framework, particularly whether they are grouped together or separated into subcategories. Additionally, there was interest in understanding the rotation process for internal audits across different University areas, focusing on how audit areas are selected.

This item was for information.

C. George and A. Purina withdrew from the meeting.

6. Report from Parking Services

Debbie Martin, *Associate Vice-President, Real Estate, Ancillary Operations and Partnerships* and Rob Morrallee, *Senior Manager, Parking Services*, joined the meeting to present the Report from Parking Services.

A member expressed interest in the University's shift towards electric vehicles, the installation of charging stations, and improving walkability on campus, anticipating further developments in these areas. S. Tighe suggested R. Morrallee collaborate with the Faculty of Engineering to develop a project for students in a design course.

This item was for information.

D. Martin and R. Morrallee withdrew from the meeting.

7. Report from Graduate Council

This item required further consultation and was withdrawn from the agenda.

8. IQAP Cyclical Program Reviews

Kim Dej, *Vice-Provost, Teaching and Learning*, and Steve Hranilovic, *Vice-Provost and Dean of Graduate Studies*, provided an overview of the IQAP Cyclical Program Reviews.

K. Dej and S. Hranilovic thanked Amy Gullage, *Lead Educational Developer, MacPherson Institute for Leadership, Innovation and Excellence in Teaching*, Mandira Raha, *Program Coordinator, Quality Assurance and Curriculum Development, MacPherson Institute for Leadership, Innovation and Excellence in Teaching* and Stephanie Baschiera, *Senior Associate Registrar & Graduate Secretary* and Christina Bryce, *Assistant Graduate Secretary from the School of Graduate Studies* for their work on the IQAP Cyclical Program Reviews.

This item was for information.

9. Revised Strategic Research Plan

Andy Knights, *Vice-President, Research*, provided an overview of the Strategic Research Plan.

This item was for information.

10. Other Business

There was no other business.