

**UNIVERSITY COUNCIL  
NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE  
REPORT FOR INFORMATION**

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**PRESENTED BY:** Paul Jones, chair, Nominations Committee

**DATE OF MEETING:** June 17, 2021

**SUBJECT:** **Annual Committee Report**

**COUNCIL ACTION:** **For Information Only**

**SUMMARY:**

Thank you for this opportunity to share with all members of University Council the work that the Nominations Committee has undertaken this year.

The Nominations Committee met throughout the year to fill vacancies as they arose on the academic committees of University Council and on the collective agreement committees. Although our work occurred throughout the year, we were especially busy, meeting multiple times in April and May to fill vacancies caused by the end of terms on committees and impacted by the spring 2021 University Council elections. This year was also very busy with nominating faculty members to serve on search and review committees for senior leadership positions on campus. I will not enumerate the tasks completed in terms of nominations as you will have seen and voted on all these nominations in the various council business packages throughout the year.

As well as the business of nominations the committee entered into discussions with the Governance Office to more clearly define responsibilities and timelines for requesting nominations from the committee. The nominations committee always seeks fulsome input from the campus community on the nomination of representatives on various search, review and other committees. To ensure the broadest range of input we require time to inform the community and receive any feedback. While on some occasions swift recommendations for nominees are still going to occur the Provost's Office will now provide the nominations committee a 'heads-up' at the earliest stages of committee formation allowing the nominations committee to more thoroughly canvas the campus community for potential nominees.

Fulfilling the responsibilities of this committee would not be possible without the dedication and thoughtful considerations of the committee members: Eric Lamb (vice chair), Keith Walker, Kara Somerville, Petros Papagerakis, Tom Steele, Teresa Paslawski, Yvonne Shevchuk, and Jaswant Singh. Thank you to our invaluable support from the Governance Office, Jacquie Thomarat and Michelle Kjargaard. Your attention to detail and your phenomenal organizational skills were deeply appreciated, especially when there were time constraints for responding to requests for nominations.

I have enjoyed working with such a dedicated team and with the chairs of the academic committees of Council through the Coordinating Council Chairs group. The commitment of this group to the success of this university is truly evident in our day-to-day work.