Agenda Item: 6.1



REQUEST FOR DECISION

Committee Name: Nominations Committee, University Council

Date: October 23, 2025

Presented by: Reza Fotouhi, Chair, Nominations Committee

Subject: Council Committee Vacancies

MOTION

That Council approve the nominations described in the attached report, effective October 23, 2025.

CONTEXT AND BACKGROUND

The Nominations Committee is tasked with putting forward nominations for Council's approval to fill vacancies that arise throughout the year on Council committees and for vacancies in the position of chair on Council committees. The terms of reference (as articulated in the *Council Bylaws*) for these committees set forth various requirements for membership, such as having a certain number of Council members on a committee.

The Nominations Committee has reviewed the membership of Council committees and is submitting a list of nominees to Council for approval to fill the various vacancies.

Through the Governance Office, the Nomination Committee issued a call-for-interest to the General Academic Assembly, inviting volunteers to serve on these committees. Volunteers are considered first in determining the list of nominees. The Nominations Committee attempts to include individuals who are broadly representative of disciplines across the university, and prioritizes equity, diversity, and inclusion in representation. This prioritization is in line with the terms of reference for the Nominations Committee as set out in the *Council Bylaws*.

ATTACHMENTS

List of Council Committees and Nominees (with new nominees highlighted in yellow)

List of Council Committees and Nominees

Academic Programs Committee

Eleven members of the General Academic Assembly, at least five of whom will be elected members of Council, normally one of whom will be chair. One sessional lecturer.

Voting Members of the Committee

General Academic Assembly Members

Jennifer Lang Arts and Science
Jan Gelech Arts and Science

Lori McKee Education Yannick Tremblay Medicine Regina Taylor-Gjevre Medicine

Valerie Caron School of Rehabilitation Sciences

Council Members

Carolyn Augusta Edwards
Helen Vandenberg Nursing
Paul Jones (Chair) SENS
Janet Luimes Nursing

Roy Dobson Pharmacy and Nutrition

Sessional Lecturer

Pearson Ahiahonu Sessional Lecturer Until June 30, 2026

Ex Officio and other members

Marjorie Delbaere Acting Vice-Provost, Students & Learning

Salome Ries Acting Associate Vice-Provost & University Registrar

Norah Jacob USSU (VP Academic Affairs)

Mandela Alema GSA (VP Academic & Student Affairs)



Planning and Priorities Committee

Eleven members of the General Academic Assembly, at least six of whom will be elected members of Council, normally one of whom will be chair. One sessional lecturer. One dean appointed by Council.

Voting Members of the Committee

General Academic Assembly Members

Brooke Milne Dean, Arts & Science

David Williams Edwards School of Business
Kerry Mansell Pharmacy and Nutrition

Volker Gerdts WCVM/ VIDO
Stella Spriet Arts and Science
Venkatesh Meda Engineering

Council Members

Claire Card WCVM

Rainer Dick Arts and Science

Jay Kalra Medicine

Angela Lieverse (Vice-Chair) Arts and Science

Jaswant Singh WCVM

Christian Willenborg (Chair) Agriculture and Bioresources

Sessional Lecturer

Anne Sloboda Sessional Lecturer Until June 30, 2026

Ex Officio and other members

Patti McDougall Interim Provost and Vice-President Academic

Terry Fonstad Designate for VP Research

Greg Fowler Vice-President, Administration & Chief Operating Officer

Angela Jaime Vice-Provost, Indigenous Engagement

Owen Deis GSA (VP Finance & Operations)

Lindsay Carlson USSU (VP Operations & Finance)



Teaching, Learning, and Academic Resources Committee

Eleven members of the General Academic Assembly, at least five of whom will be elected members of Council, normally one of whom will be chair. One sessional lecturer.

Voting Members of the Committee

General Academic Assembly Members

Natacha Hogan (Vice-Chair) Agriculture and Bioresources

Gurpreet Kaur Aulakh WCVM

Melanie Hamilton Education

Maha Kumaran Library

Ken MacKenzie Arts and Science

Greg Malin Medicine

Council Members

Ralph Deters (Chair) Arts and Science

Kate Congreves Agriculture and Bioresources

John Gjevre Medicine
Natasha Hubbard Murdoch Nursing
Marguerite Koole Education

Sessional Lecturer

Corinne Bar Gar Sessional Lecturer Until June 30, 2026

Ex Officio and other members

Marjorie Delbaere Acting Vice-Provost, Teaching and Learning

Norah Jacob USSU (VP Academic Affairs)

Biraj Saha GSA (VP External Affairs)

