

REQUEST FOR DECISION

Committee Name: Nominations Committee, University Council

Date: June 11, 2026

Presented by: Reza Fotouhi, Chair, Nominations Committee

Subject: Omnibus Collective Agreement Committee Nominees

MOTION

It is recommended by the Nominations Committee that Council approve the nominees for the collective agreement committee as outlined below.

CONTEXT AND BACKGROUND

Each year, the Nominations Committee reviews the membership of Council committees and submits a list of nominees to Council for approval. The attached report for Council's consideration and approval contains this year's Collective Agreement Committee Nominees.

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 Collective Agreement Committee Nominees (with new nominees highlighted in yellow)

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University Review Committee

As per Article 15.8.4 of the collective agreement: "The University Review Committee shall be made up of nine tenured or continuing employees plus the Vice-President Academic and Provost who shall be chair. The nine employees shall be nominated to this committee by the Nominations Committee of Council and approved by Council with the length of their term specified so as to ensure a reasonable turnover of membership. Employees shall not be nominated for membership if they have served on the University Review Committee in the previous three years or if they have agreed to serve on a College review committee in that academic year."

Appointed Members:

Jason Perepelkin	Pharmacy and Nutrition	
Lori Bradford	Engineering	
Egan Chernoff	Education	
Gordon Sarty	Arts and Science	
Jessica Lieffers	Pharmacy and Nutrition	
Alexander Crizzle	School of Public Health	2026 - 2029
Pamela Downe	Arts and Science	2026 - 2029
Ajay Dalai	Engineering	2026 - 2029
Sarah Burningham	Law	2026 - 2029

Ex Officio Members:

Scott Walsworth (chair)	Provost and Vice-President Academic (or designate)
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Appeal Panel

As per Article 16.3.5.1 of the collective agreement: "An Appeal Panel of forty-eight employees drawn from the membership of the General Academic Assembly shall be named by the Nominations Committee of Council and approved by Council, with length of term specified so as to ensure a reasonable turnover of membership.... Membership shall be restricted to tenured faculty who are not members of the University Review Committee and who have not served on the University Review Committee in the previous three years."

The following people to be added to the Appeal Panel, with term lengths of three years:

1. Carey Simonson
2. Cherie Westbrook
3. Colleen Dell
4. Hassanali Vatanparast
5. Karla Williamson
6. Michel Gravel
7. Philip Chilibeck
8. Teresa Paslawski
9. Valerie Thompson
10. Ibiwonke Odumosu-Ayanu
11. Kirstin Bett
12. Laureen McIntyre
13. Melissa Arcand
14. Michaela Keet
15. Rajesh Karki
16. Yang Yang

Renewals and Tenure Appeal Committee

As per Article 15.8.5.2 of the collective agreement: "The committee shall consist of twelve tenured or continuing status faculty members: nine employees and three senior administrators, selected from amongst Associate Deans, Vice-Deans, Deans, Executive Directors, and/or vice-Provosts. Members will be selected by the Nominations Committee of Council and will serve a three year term. The Nominations Committee of Council shall strive to achieve representation from a wide range of disciplinary areas while also respecting the commitment to diversity (Article 7). Each year three new employees and one new senior administrator will be appointed to serve on the committee. Each year the chair of the committee shall be selected by mutual agreement between the Association and the Employer from amongst the committee members. Members may not serve as members of the University Review Committee during their term. A vacancy created by the resignation of a member will be filled by the Nominations Committee of Council for the remaining period of the term of that member."

The Senior Administrator was nominated and approved by Council earlier this year.

The following people to be added to the Renewals and Tenure Appeal Committee, with term lengths of three years:

Kirstin Bett	Agriculture and Bioresources
Chris Todd	Arts and Science
Yang Yang	Johnson Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy