



# Minutes

Wednesday, October 16, 2024 (12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.)

**Hybrid: In-Person (room 0014K) and Zoom (virtual)**

**In Attendance:** Calvin, Karina, Karel, Dalraj, Shreya, Jessica, David, Serena, Alex, Haroop, Nathan, Reagan

## With Regrets: Armin, Brandon, Bahar, Sage, Julie

# Agenda

## Call to Order (12:31 p.m.)

## Land Acknowledgement

*York University recognizes that many Indigenous Nations have longstanding relationships with the territories upon which York University campuses are located that precede the establishment of York University. York University acknowledges its presence on the traditional territories of the Anishinabeg, Haudenosaunee and Wendat peoples.*

*territory of many Indigenous Nations. The area known as Tkaronto has been taken care of by the Anishinabek Nation, the Haudenosaunee Confederacy, and the Huron-Wendat. It is now home to many First Nation, Inuit, and Métis communities. We acknowledge the current treaty holders, the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. This territory is the subject of the Dish with One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, an agreement to peaceably share and care for the Great Lakes region.*

## Chair's Remarks & Items

- Motion to approve changes and the publishing of the Sept 18 Minutes
- Welcome 1L Reps
- Meeting with Deans
- Upper Year Teaching Methods
  - Flipped classroom
    - Reagan/Karel: Class time less useful; Operating almost like in a seminar (e.g Tax)
    - Dalraj/Karel : is this within professor pedagogical freedom?
      - More transparency for students
      - Check in with students, update Mya know these things are happening
- Bistro
  - Deans told based on "feedback" bistro told students wanted grab and go; unsure where feedback came from; beyond scope of Osgoode, within YorkU
- Building Security Updates
  - Osgoode/YorkU working to make building more secure and people feel safe when working late hours; roll-out
  - Encourage students to get YU Card either physical or on phone
    - Karel can confirm closer to exams whether virtual card allowed
- Tabling
  - Planning: once a month to see how it goes

## Vice-Chair's Remarks and Items

- Brief update: committee assignments
  - 2 committees left that require individuals; waiting to hear back from Amanda for meeting dates for those committees to check in with availability
  - Caucus and L&L accounted for; some general students also; completed by end of t<sup>h</sup> week

## Director of Communications Remarks & Items

- Follow up for update re Webmaster from L&L
- 1L Intros will be posted soon
- Re: Dalraj's request for graduation requirement postings o Propose to strike a committee to organise
- APPC Update:
  - Do we want to continue to pursue Robert's curriculum reforms from last year review re: 59 credit, UYWR
    - Calvin: Can circulate APPC minutes
    - Shreya: Obiter article; students had trouble enrolling wrt micro-courses: 3 or 4 of them with 20-30 seats
      - Need more student consultation and options for students or increase course capacities
    - Reagan: one crim seminar changed to a different form; professors might be open, but admin might not be aware
  - Forecasting discussion: potential changing of "new exam" requirement for deferred consultation
  - Next meeting conflicts w SC on Oct 16
    - Reagan can be at APPC

## Legal & Lit/OISA Updates

- Reagan: forecast on potential referendum pertaining to raising L&L student levy

## Year Updates

### 3L Updates and Items (Shreya Vohra)

- Examsoft not update as it conflicts; old computers OS phased out; students concerned that they would not be able to access exams and would need accommodation from exam or purchase new computer
- Concern is Microsoft not Apple

## 2L Updates

Karel response to Jessica: nothing to be done this year re previous course selection concern

## 1L Updates (Alex, Serena, Nathan, and Harroop)

### Alex – Section A

- Indigenous students concerned about out of pocket expense as a barrier to Law Camp; why must they pay to attend something they have to go to?
- Karel: will reach out to Sage if this has come out in the past, and how to move forward to speak with admin

### Serena – Section B

- ELGC changed to be all year instead of intensive – thought material could be condensed or turned into an intensive

### Nathan – Section C

- Confusion re Osgoode students are enrolled in undergrad health plan; confirmed they are
- Quality of life – largest section, barely fit in room 1003; in future something to raise due to increasing class size trends

### Harroop – Section D

- Group chat issue that professor has addressed
- Security – during ELGC, individual came in and disturbed the class; some students felt unsafe
  - consistent security measures; e.g. cards even for daytime
- Potentially expand library hours
  - Karel: different during the period before exam time; library hours will be extended
    - Helliwell study rooms always open
    - Extending staff hours may be an issue
  - Harroop: concern is not within exam period but day to day; advocate for a safe place to focus throughout the year
- International students from Eastern asian countries issue with IT where first name placed with last name

### Final Items

- Faculty Council October 7th @ 12:30pm

- 1L's missing next meeting for Clinic Fair

#### **Motion to Adjourn**

- Karina motions to adjourn the meeting.

*Dajraj seconds. THE MOTION CARRIES.*

**Meeting Adjourned (1:36 p.m.)**