



FOR RECOMMENDATION

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TO: UTM Campus Council

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DATE: November 30, 2016 for December 7, 2016

AGENDA ITEM: 1

ITEM IDENTIFICATION:

Appointments to the 2017 UTM Nominating Committee.

JURISDICTIONAL INFORMATION:

Section 1.1 of the Terms of Reference of the Agenda Committee provides that the "UTM Council shall appoint one additional member of the teaching staff and one additional student member from among its members to sit on the UTM Council Agenda Committee when the Committee serves as a nominating committee of the UTM Council."

GOVERNANCE PATH:

1. UTM Agenda Committee [For Recommendation] (November 24, 2016)
2. **UTM Campus Council [For Approval] (December 7, 2016)**

PREVIOUS ACTION TAKEN:

The establishment of the Nominating Committee for 2015-16 was approved by the Campus Council on the recommendation of the Agenda Committee on March 3, 2016.

HIGHLIGHTS:

On October 31, 2016, the Office of the Campus Council sent out a Call for Nominations for one additional student member and one additional teaching staff member of the Campus Council to serve on the Agenda Committee when it acts as a Nominating Committee. Nominations were accepted until November 7, 2016. Those teaching staff and student members of the Campus Council who did not already serve on the Agenda Committee were eligible and all members could nominate themselves.

Meetings of the Nominating Committee will be held on January 18, April 5 and May 11, 2017. At these meetings, the Nominating Committee will review and recommend to Campus Council the appointment of community and alumni members to Campus Council and its Committees as well as subsequent appointments of Campus Council members to the Agenda, Academic Affairs and Campus Affairs Committees for terms beginning July 1, 2017. This year, additionally at the January meeting the Nominating Committee will consider the leadership position of Vice-Chair of the Academic Affairs Committee.

In response to the call for nominations for one additional student member and one additional teaching staff member of Council to serve on the Nominating Committee, the following two nominations were received:

1. Mr. Alex Paquette (Graduate student member of the Campus Council)

Passionate and motivated scientist, working towards a M.Sc. degree through the Cell and Systems Biology department at UofT, with experience and interest in Microbiology, Molecular Biology and Biochemistry.

Enthusiastic about creating a stronger graduate community at the University of Toronto Mississauga, Mr. Paquette has served on the University of Toronto Mississauga Association of Graduate Students (UTMAGS) for two consecutive years, first as the social director, and currently as the Co-President.

Looking to make a difference in Science Education, Mr. Paquette has been working with two undergraduate courses to incorporate laboratory videos for teaching purposes. Additionally, he is involved in Let's Talk Science to promote Science Education to young minds.

Mr. Paquette was elected to UTM Campus Council as a graduate student for a one-year term, from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017.

2. Dr. Laura Taylor (Teaching Staff member of Campus Council)

As a faculty member in the Robert Gillespie Academic Skills Centre (RGASC) at the University of Toronto Mississauga (UTM), Dr. Laura Taylor works primarily with English Language Learners (ELLS) to enhance academic skill development among the student population. Through close ties with both the International Education Centre (IEC) and with various departments across campus, she ensures that the ELL and international students are well supported. Dr. Taylor is focused on enhancing the student experience through the use of active-learning pedagogy and is a member of a committee devoted to supporting this practice.

Dr. Taylor joined the UTM community in 2014. Prior to this, she served as the Director of Postgraduate Teaching and Learning at the University of York (UK). She has used this experience with graduate students in her current role at UTM where she oversees graduate skill enhancement through both face-to-face appointments and various workshops.

Dr. Taylor holds a B.A from Columbia University in New York (2004); M.A. in TESOL from the University of York (UK) (2009); and a Ph.D. in Education from the University of York (UK) (2013). Dr. Taylor was first elected to the Campus Council in 2016 for a three year term ending June 30, 2019.

Both Mr. Paquette and Dr. Taylor have indicated that they would be pleased to serve, if appointed, to the Nominating Committee.

RECOMMENDATION:

Be it Resolved,

THAT Dr. Laura Taylor (teaching staff member of the Campus Council) and Mr. Alex Paquette (student member of the Campus Council) be appointed to serve on the Agenda Committee when the Committee serves as a Nominating Committee of the UTM Campus Council for 2016-17.