

**Extraordinary Academic Senate Meeting**  
**Tuesday, August 27, 2024, 2:15 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.**  
**RBC Auditorium**  
**Zoom link for UB North Senators**  
**The meeting was recorded.**



**Senators Present:**

Dr. Nicolette Bethel, Faculty Representative, Social Sciences, Professor, Chair  
Dr. Dion Hepburn, Faculty-At-Large, Associate Professor, Vice Chair  
Mr. William Fielding, Staff Representative, Data Analyst, Institutional Strengthening, Secretary  
Dr. A. Marie Sairsingh, Faculty Representative, Professor, English Studies, Assistant Secretary  
Dr. Christine Kozikowski, Faculty Representative, Associate Professor, English Studies, Parliamentarian  
Ms. Janyne Hodder, Administration, Acting President & CEO  
Dr. Douglas Barkey, Administration, Dean, Liberal & Fine Arts  
Dr. Marlo Murphy-Braynen, Administration, Dean, Business  
Dr. Neressa Wallace-Bandelier, Faculty Representative, Associate, Education  
Mr. Paul McCann, Faculty Representative, Assistant Professor, Education  
Dr. Kayla Stubbs, Faculty Representative, Associate Professor, Chemistry, Environmental & Life Sciences  
Mrs. Dale McHardy, Faculty Representative, Assistant Professor, Business  
Mrs. Michelle Cunningham, Assistant Professor, Business  
Dr. Paul Jones, Faculty Representative, Professor, Communication and Creative Arts  
Mrs. Karol Mackey-Missick, Faculty Representative, Assistant Professor, Nursing & Allied Health Professions  
Dr. Amin Kabir, Faculty Representative, Associate Professor, Mathematics, Physics & Technology  
Ms. Renate Roberts-McWilliam, Faculty Representative, Assistant Professor, Mathematics, Physics & Technology  
Mr. Mario Adderley, Faculty Representative, Assistant Professor, Dean, TheCALM  
Dr. Camille Smith, Assistant Director, Counsellor II, Libraries/Counselling  
Ms. Claire Charlow-Patton, Staff Representative, Registrar  
Mrs. Keturah Babb-Higgs, Staff Representative, Director of Government Relations and Civic Engagement  
Mrs. Decoda Darville, Staff Representative, Assistant Director, Campus Life  
Mrs. Leslie Dorsett-Lewis, Director, CeLearn, UB North  
Ms. Lennise Lopez, Staff Representative, UB North, Assistant Registrar  
Mrs. Lesvie Archer, Staff Representative, Policy Fellow, Public Policy Institute  
Ms. Alexandria Neely, Student Representative  
Mr. Anthony Ferguson, Jr. Student Representative – UB North

**Late Senators**

Dr. Veronica Toppin, Administration, Interim Dean, Pure & Applied Sciences  
Dr. Thalia Micklewhite, Administration, Dean, Social and Educational Studies  
Dr. Marky Jean-Pierre, Faculty Representative, Assistant Professor, Communication and Creative Arts  
Ms. Catharine Archer, Faculty-At-Large Representative, Librarian II  
Ms. Shannon Louissaint, Student Representative  
Dr. Larry Russell Jr. Faculty Representative, Assistant Professor, Chemistry, Environmental & Life Sciences

**Absent with Apologies**

Ms. Jessica Minnis, Faculty Representative, Professor, Social Sciences  
Mrs. Justina Toote-Knowles, Faculty Representative, Nursing and Allied Health Professions  
Dr. Ruth Gardiner, Faculty Representative, Associate Professor, TheCALM

**Absent Senators**

Dr. Maria Woodside-Oriakhi, Provost & Vice-President Academic Affairs  
Ms. Shelby McPhee, Adjunct Faculty Representative  
Dr. Sophia Rolle, Adjunct Faculty Representative  
Ms. Natasha Taylor, Staff Representative, Administrative Assistant II, CeLearn  
Ms. Vivian McIntosh, Staff Representative, UB-North, Assistant Director, Enrolment and Retention  
Mr. Kamrenn King, Student Representative



## **MINUTES**

1. **Call to Order** - The meeting was called to order at 2:19 p.m. by N. Bethel.
2. **Roll Call** - This was taken by W. Fielding.
3. **Prayer** - The prayer was offered by L. Archer.
4. **Approval of Agenda** - On a motion by P. Jones and seconded by M. Sairsingh the agenda for the meeting was accepted with amendments.
5. **Welcome – Chair, N. Bethel**  
The Chair welcomed senators to the meeting and went on to explain the reason for the urgency to read and approve the policy items that were on the agenda.

These were new policies and were also critical for accreditation. She mentioned that these policies were looked at and worked on by the Academic Policies Committee and sent forward via the Office of Academic Affairs for approval. The accreditation application cannot be completed without them. The policies displayed were edited versions of those circulated prior to the meeting.

6. **New Business: Distance Learning Policies**

- AS Paper No. 24-184 Policy on Online Learning (New)
- AS Paper No. 24-185 Policy on Privacy in Online Learning (New)
- AS Paper No. 24-186 Policy on Learning Management System Use (New)
- AS Paper No. 24-187 Policy on Accessibility in Online Learning (New)

A lengthy discussion ensued highlighting each area and the wording of each policy. Senators expressed their views and comments on various sections and sub-sections. The discussion highlighted definitions in the policies and the University's policy on intellectual property. The Chair noted policies should be read twice before they are voted on, so no motions were moved.

The displayed versions of the policies will be circulated to senators via email. Senators were invited to send their feedback to the Secretary by no later than 12 noon on Friday 30 August 30, 2024. These comments would be used to further revise the policies which will be presented again on 3 September, 2024.

7. **Next Meeting** – The next extraordinary meeting of the Academic Senate is scheduled for Tuesday 3 September 2024 at 2:15 p.m.
8. **Adjournment**

Following a motion by D. Hepburn and seconded by M. Barr-Cunningham the meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

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Secretary's Note:

Since the previous Ordinary Meeting of the Academic Senate the following papers were passed by round robin:

RR 4 July 2024	AS Paper No. 24-162	NUPR 663 - Advanced Population Health Nursing Practicum (New)	
	AS Paper No. 24-163	NUPR 676 - Advanced Public Community Health Promotion, Illness Prevention and Health Maintenance Practicum (New)	
	AS Paper No. 24-164	NURS 572 - Transition to Clinical Nurse Specialist Advanced Practice (New)	
	AS Paper No. 24-165	NURS 573C - Advanced Maternal and Newborn Nursing with Practicum (New)	
	AS Paper No. 24-166	NURS 698 - Research Thesis I (New)	
	AS Paper No. 24-167	NURS 699 - Research Thesis II (New)	
	AS Paper No. 24-168	Programme Requirements: MSN, Adult Gerontology (New)	
	AS Paper No. 24-169	Programme Requirements: MSN, Nurse Administrator (New)	
	AS Paper No. 24-170	Programme Requirements: MSN, Nurse Educator (New)	
	AS Paper No. 24-171	Programme Requirements: MSN, Public and Community Health (New)	
RR 9 August 2024	AS Paper No. 24-172	Full Programme Proposal: Master of Science Nursing (MSN)	
	AS Paper No. 24-173	Candidates for Graduation Spring 2024	BUSI Addendum 2
	AS Paper No. 24-174	Candidates for Graduation Spring 2024	SOSC Addendum
	AS Paper No. 24-175	Candidates for Graduation Summer 2024	BUSI
	AS Paper No. 24-176	Candidates for Graduation Summer 2024	CELS
	AS Paper No. 24-177	Candidates for Graduation Summer 2024	EDUC
	AS Paper No. 24-178	Candidates for Graduation Summer 2024	MPT
	AS Paper No. 24-179	Candidates for Graduation Summer 2024	NAHP
	AS Paper No. 24-180	Candidates for Graduation Summer 2024	SOSC
	AS Paper No. 24-181	Candidates for Graduation Summer 2024	THeCALM
RR 17 August 2024	AS Paper No. 24-182	Candidates for Graduation Summer 2024	SOSC Addendum
	AS Paper No. 24-183	Candidates for Graduation Summer 2024	NAHP Addendum