

**SCHULICH SCHOOL OF BUSINESS
FACULTY COUNCIL**

**A Special meeting of Faculty Council will be held on
Wednesday, November 22, 2006 at 11:30 a.m.
Room SSB E111**

AGENDA

1. Chairperson's Remarks
2. Report by Vice President Academic Sheila Embleton
"Restructuring on the Keele Campus of York University"

Note: Send regrets to Susan Harrison sharrison@schulich.yorku.ca or call Ext. 55097
Refreshments will be available at 11:20 outside SSB E111.

Schulich School of Business
Minutes of Faculty Council

A SPECIAL meeting of Faculty Council for the 2006-2007 academic year was held on Wednesday, November 22, 2006 at 11:30 a.m. in Room SSB E111.

Special guest speaker: Dr. Sheila Embleton, Vice-President Academic

In Attendance: J. McKellar Chair
S. Harrison Recording Secretary

Voting Members of Faculty Council Present:

D. Horvath	I. Macdonald	J. Zemans	J. Smithin
E. Fischer	Y. Deutsch	M. Szaki	D. Dimick
C. Courtis	W. Cook	M. Giesler	A. Mawani
M. Kipping	A. Joshi	C. Oliver	T. Peridis
T. Beechy	B. Wolf	K. Bewley	O. Branzei
N. Naumoff (Alumni)	B. Furneaux (Ph.D.)	S. Hodgson (UBC)	

Non-Voting Members of Faculty Council Present:

B. Schulz	P. Shanks	K. Larson	J. Parna
C. Shewell	M. Colalillo	C. Ward	J. Heron

Chairman J. McKellar welcomed everyone to the special meeting of Faculty Council and explained that Vice President-Academic, Sheila Embleton had requested a consultation with all Faculty Councils. This was an opportunity to discuss the restructuring report which addresses the possible reorganization of academic units in the Faculty of Arts and Atkinson. Chairman McKellar introduced Sheila Embleton, Vice-President Academic, who gave the presentation on the report "Restructuring on the Keele Campus of York University".

The full text of the report can be found at <http://vpacademic.yorku.ca/restructuring/index.php>. The text (a six page document), and also available are some appendices that you may wish to examine.

Dr. Embleton explained that this discussion paper is generated as part of the priorities of the University Academic Plan. The discussion paper has been prepared by herself, Dean Robert Drummond, and Dean Rhonda Lenton for consultation that will lead to a recommendation from APPC to Senate and ultimately to the Board of Governors. She indicated that there have been numerous discussions, meetings with various Faculty Councils, and the first of two open forums have been held. The second open forum is scheduled for November 29th, 2006. There were also student-oriented fora/roundtables.

Dr. Embleton briefly reviewed the content of the report, highlighting the three options; this was followed by comments, question and answers. To help with answering questions, Dr. Embleton introduced Robert Drummond, Dean, (Arts) and Rhonda Lenton, Dean, (Atkinson).

Dr. Embleton indicated that in the last few weeks, in addition to options A, B, and C in the current report, another two options themselves with variations have been suggested. The Deans and VPA view these as variations of option B. Being discussed today were:

Option A: Single Faculty encompassing units and programs currently in the Faculty of Arts and the Atkinson Faculty of Liberal and Professional Studies, including the “professionally-relevant” programs offered in Atkinson. (This proposal would reduce the total number of Faculties by one.)

Option B: Two Faculties: one focused around arts areas (Humanities and social sciences) and one around liberal and professional studies (i.e., liberal studies-based professional programs, e.g., Social Work, and professionally related liberal studies programs). The latter sub-category would include liberal arts programs whose focus of attention is a professional area and in which a professional stream exists or might be created to complement a critical liberal studies focus.

Option C: Two Faculties: one focused around Humanities (and related professional programs) and one focused around Social Sciences (and related professional programs). This option would maintain the number of Faculties at 11.)

From the overall tenor of the discussion at Council, it appeared that members of Council favoured Option C, or a variants of Option C.

Chairman McKellar thanked Dr. Embleton and guests for meeting with the Schulich School of Business. He asked that members of Faculty Council present today, encourage their co-workers to attend the forum or visit the web site for information and updates.

The meeting was adjourned.