
**Academic Planning and Budget Committee (APBC) Annual Report for General Faculties Council
2023-2024**

DATE: May 7, 2024

SUBMITTED BY: Chad London, Acting APBC Chair

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES AND OUTCOMES

During the 2022-2023 academic year, the Academic Planning and Budget Committee (APBC) played a primary role in providing advice on the development of *Connect. Inspire. Transform.*, Mount Royal's 2023-2030 Academic Plan. On Sept. 11, 2023, APBC recommended the Academic Plan for approval to the General Faculties Council (GFC), and it was approved by GFC on Sept. 22, 2023.

APBC was then updated on Academic Plan implementation throughout 2023-2024. This included discussions about its relation to the University Strategic Plan measures that are currently under development, along with preliminary plans for a strengthened integrated planning process at Mount Royal.

Throughout 2023-2024, APBC received regular budgetary and other related updates, including an overview of the budget structure and process at Mount Royal. The addition of these updates resulted from continued discussions around APBC's purpose and focus. APBC was established as a stakeholder group for budget consultation and the committee will continue to be consulted as part of subsequent budget planning cycles.

MATTERS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

While progress was made to strengthen APBC's role in academic planning and budgeting processes, the committee will continue to clarify the application of its responsibilities, particularly around budget and members' abilities to provide informed and meaningful feedback into budget principles, priorities and academic implications of the budget.

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

<i>Vacant</i>	GFC Academic Staff Member, CHAIR
Chad London	Provost and Vice-President, Academic, VICE-CHAIR (<i>Acting Chair until April 2024</i>)
Mustansar Nadeem	Vice-President, Finance and Administration
Karim Dharamsi	Vice-Provost Academic (<i>Acting Chair for May 2024, as Acting Provost</i>)
Phil Warsaba	Vice-President, Students
Jonathan Withey	Deans' Council Representative
David Clemis	GFC Academic Staff Member (Arts)
Leda Stawnychko	GFC Academic Staff Member (Business & Communication Studies)
Liza Choi	GFC Academic Staff Member (Health, Community and Education)
Marc Schroeder	GFC Academic Staff Member (Science and Technology)
Christian Cook	Academic Staff Member (Teaching and Learning)
Katharine Barrette	Academic Staff Member (University Library)

<i>Tala Abu Hayyaneh</i>	<i>Student Representative (until April)</i>
Fiona Chetty	Student Representative (<i>for May</i>)
Safwan Younis	Student Representative
<u>Resources</u>	
Mo Sadek	Director, Budgets and Resource Planning
Mohammad Amin	Director, Institutional Research and Planning (<i>joined in January; Evan Cortens until December</i>)
Linda Van der Zande	Director, Office of the Provost
<i>Karianne Smith</i>	<i>AVP, Finance and Commercial Operations (until December)</i>
Sheena Dyer	Assistant University Secretary, GFC, RECORDING SECRETARY

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

1. September 11, 2023
2. November 6, 2023
3. December 11, 2023
4. February 27, 2024
5. April 8, 2024
6. May 7, 2024

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