University Council October 2022 Newsletter

Council Updates

Committee Updates

The Executive Committee will meet on October 6 and will be joined by Mary Dodd, Com’84, Chair of the Program Committee. The Executive Committee will review the proposed agenda for the 147th AGM in November.

Nominating Committee:

• An overview and introduction to the Committee was provided at the recent University Council orientation session held in September.
• Watch your inbox in the coming weeks for a call for Executive Committee nominations. There are two vacancies on the Committee for elected Councillors and all Councillors are eligible to nominate up to two of their fellow Councillors for election. More details will be available in the Call for Nominations!

Elaine Wu, Artsci’98, MIR’00, Law’03
Chair, Nominating Committee

On behalf of your Nominating Committee: Heather Black, Sc’80, Judith Brown, Artsci’70, Samantha Cheung, Sc’92, and Mary Drinkwater, Ed’78, MPA’08

Program Committee:

The 147th Annual Meeting of the University Council will be held November 4-5, 2022 at the Donald Gordon Centre (DGC).

To register, you must complete the following survey by Monday, October 24 at noon.

Please note: Councillors are strongly encouraged to attend in person but limited remote participation will be available via Zoom. Elected members of the Council who are absent from more than one Annual Meeting in a four-year term may be required to forfeit membership in the Council.

Meeting Details:

• November 4, 2022; 2:00 – 4:00 pm - Welcome Session
The formal session will include a presentation from confirmed keynote speakers and renowned researchers, Dr. Art McDonald and Dr. Tony Noble, an outline of reports are included in the annual meeting consent agenda with an interactive Q&A.

- **November 4, 2022; 5:30 – 7:30 pm - Distinguished Service Award Celebration**
  Inaugurated by the University Council in 1974, this award recognizes individuals who have made the University a better place through their extraordinary contributions. Tickets must be purchased in advance online (a special early bird price is available to Councillors until October 3).

  Councillors are encouraged to attend to celebrate the **2022 Recipients:**
  - Leslie Dal Cin
  - Leslie Flynn, ArtsSci’78
  - Dan Langham
  - Jim Leech, MBA’73
  - Donald M. Raymond, BSc’84
  - Kimberly Woodhouse

- **November 4, 2022; 8:00 – 10:00 pm - Council Social, Hosted by the Program Committee**
  Councillors will meet at the Donald Gordon Centre to have an informal social with each other and Queen’s student leaders. Food and non-alcoholic beverages will be provided, and a cash bar will be available.

- **November 5, 2022; 8:30 am – 4:00 pm - Annual Meeting**
  With the theme of “Transformation: Managing Change”, the Program Committee has developed an exciting day designed to deepen Councillors’ knowledge and permit active, ongoing engagement in their role as ambassadors for Queen’s. The day will start with an update on university strategy by Principal Patrick Deane, followed by a presentation about research at Queen’s and the vision for the future by Nancy Ross, VP (Research). The third session will be a student leaders panel, and the day will end with breakout rooms for Councillor discussion.

**Travel:** Per the Role Description, Councillors are responsible for coordinating and booking their own travel. University Council is a volunteer organization and, as such, Councillors are expected to incur their own participation expenses. Councillors are eligible to donate their participation expenses back to the University, for which an official receipt is issued for tax purposes. Councillors who do not believe they can meet these expectations are encouraged to raise their concerns with the University Secretariat.

**Accommodations at the Donald Gordon Centre:** Councillors should call the main reservation line at 613-533-2221, by October 20, to reserve under the group rooms block (reservation #5726). The preferred rate is $155 plus applicable tax for single occupancy and $175 plus applicable tax for double occupancy.

Please contact the Secretariat at ucouncil@queensu.ca if you have questions about registering for the annual meeting.

We look forward to seeing you at the Council AGM!

Mary Dodd, Com’84
Chair, Program Committee
Board / Council Trustees:
The next regular Open Session of the Board of Trustees meeting will be held on December 9-10 (meeting dates can be found on Board website). You can check out the Board agenda/minutes on the Governance Portal. To attend the Board’s Open Session, please submit your request in advance to trustees@queensu.ca.

Senate:
Meeting dates can be found on the Senate website. The next regular meeting will be held on November 1 at 3:30 pm in Robert Sutherland 202. You can check out the Senate agenda/minutes on the Governance Portal. To attend any portion of the meeting, please submit your request in advance to senate@queensu.ca.

Meet A Councillor

COUNCILLOR: MARY DODD, COM’84, PROGRAM COMMITTEE CHAIR

Why did you select Queen’s University?
My parent’s attended Queen’s, so you could say that I was predisposed to Queen’s all my life. But what really sold me on Queen’s was a visit as a teenager to campus in the fall and joining in the parade down Union Street to the football game. I didn’t have a ticket so sat in the end-zone on the grass and watched both the game and the boisterous students. They had me at Oil Thigh.
What are some of your most memorable milestones/accomplishments as a Councillor?
I volunteered with Advancement to make phone calls to long time donors. It was a very rewarding experience to speak to alumni from all faculties and spanning many decades and hear the enthusiasm they still held for Queen’s.

Do you have any words of wisdom for incoming Councillors?
Dive right in.

Anything else you would like to add/highlight?
My four years at Queen's helped shape me into the person I am today… and I met my husband there! Serving on the University Council is one way I can say ‘thanks’.

Connect with Councillor Dodd on Linkedin

Councillor: Elaine Wu, Artsci’98, MIR’00, Law’03, Nominating Committee Chair

Why did you select Queen’s University?
A good friend from high school that was a year ahead of me went to Queen’s and I heard such great things about his experiences that I thought it would be a good place for me. Being from Vancouver, my parents expected me to live at home and go to UBC. Both are great educational institutions, but I preferred the smaller size of Queen’s so I “rebelled” and chose to go to Queen’s. It was one of the best decisions I ever made especially since I had never visited Kingston or been on a campus tour.

Your aspirations for being on University Council?
To continue to expand my involvement with University Council and encourage connections between Councillors and the QUAA and alumni branches.

Do you have any words of wisdom for incoming Councillors?
Get involved right away. Volunteer to be on a committee, ask to see how you can contribute.

Connect with Councillor Wu on Linkedin

Get to know more about your fellow Council Members by visiting the Biographical Sketches page of the website.

Councillor Spotlights

Dr. Keiva Hranchuk, Artsci’09 – ASUS Welcome Forum Keynote Speaker
On September 1, Councillor Hranchuk was invited as the Keynote speaker to the Queen’s University ASUS Welcome Forum for the graduating class of 2026. Here is what Councillor Hranchuk had to say about her experience:

"I was honoured to be invited as the keynote speaker for the ASUS welcome event. It was an experience that allowed me to welcome incoming students in the same positive way that I was welcomed back in 2005 when I first started my journey at Queen’s. I truly felt a sense of coming full circle during this event. Good luck to the class of 2026!"

Elaine Wu’s, Artsci’98, MIR’00, Law’03 work as QUAA Director of Alumni Awards

On September 20, Councillor Wu traveled to Kingston on behalf of the QUAA to present at the University Wide Teaching Awards.

As QUAA Director of Alumni Awards, Councillor Wu congratulated Dr. Michelle Searle as the 2022 recipient of the QUAA Alumni Award for Excellence in Teaching. This award is one of Queen’s first campus-wide teaching honours, initiated in 1975 at the urging of students.

Councilor Wu has also been preparing to open the nomination cycle for the QUAA 2023 Alumni Gala Awards with some new and exciting changes in support of Queen’s University and QUAA EDII goals and opening the slate of awards to a more diverse and inclusive pool of nominations.

For more information on the 2023 Alumni Gala Award nomination cycle or changes to the Alumni Awards, or to nominate a deserving alumna/alumnus please visit the website or reach out to board.quaa@queensu.ca.

News & Events

QUAA Grant Applications Now Open
Each year, the Queen’s University Alumni Association (QUAA) awards grants of up to $2,000 in support of initiatives aimed at promoting innovation and fostering student-alumni and alumni-alumni connections in the Queen’s community. In recent years, QUAA grants have supported conferences, festivals, community outreach programs, a public affairs radio training program, and summer day camps. To view the 2021 Grant recipients, please visit the Alumni Website.

Please share this information with alumni working on initiatives or programs that align with the QUAA’s mission to reach out and foster a lifelong association with Queen’s, to engage our members in the life and work of the University, and to serve the alumni community in all its diversity.

Encourage your contacts to apply online today; nominations will be accepted until 11:59pm on October 31, 2022.

For more information or if you have any questions, please reach out to quaa.board@queensu.ca.

**Countdown to Homecoming**

Whether you’re a more recent graduate or celebrating an anniversary year ending in 2 or 7, there is something for everyone at Queen’s Homecoming. Why? **Because as Queen’s alumni, we recognize the importance of savouring and fostering that relentless Queen’s spirit.**

Register today for Queen’s Homecoming 2022 and come wearing your best tricolour! Please reach out to Volunteer Liaison Lindsey Kull if you are interested in supporting Homecoming events in a special way.

Learn about how you can volunteer to organize your class reunion and celebrate milestone anniversaries by contacting our Reunions team or call 1-800-267-7837 (toll-free in North America).

**Queen’s Annual Appeal 22-23 ready to launch**
The Queen's Annual Appeal kicked off in September with a new hybrid format of digital and direct mail solicitations to alumni. After two years without direct mail, due to COVID and paper supply issues, mailboxes will once again be filled with stories of impact and calls to action. The first solicitation, coming to email in-boxes and mailboxes in September and October, is focused on food security – something many of us took for granted not so long ago.

The current empty shelves at local grocery stores show us we may not be as secure as we once thought. This appeal focuses on the initiatives within the Queen’s community keeping sustainable food sources thriving on campus, and the work Queen’s researchers are doing to create sustainable solutions that will help minimize the impact of disruptions in the global supply chain. Together, this work is making a real difference, both on campus and beyond.

To make a gift to the Queen’s Fund in support of the Annual Appeal, please visit: Give to Queen’s - Queen’s Fund (givetoqueens.ca)

Queen's Links to Keep You Informed

A great new resource for University Councillors – In the September issue of the newsletter, we shared that The Office of the Principal recently launched a new website to host all Strategy-related static and video content, offer status updates to the community, and showcase progress made in advancing Queen's strategic goals.

- Queen’s Gazette
- Queen’s Alumni Review
- Queen’s Quarterly
- Queen’s Law Reports
- Smith Magazine
- The Complete Engineer
- Inclusive Queen's
- Viewbooks
- Queen’s Encyclopedia
- Queen’s Strategic Goals
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