

**SENATE**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING**

**TUESDAY, October 1, 2013**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

| <b>EX-OFFICIO:</b>        | <b>FACULTY:</b>  | <b>STUDENTS:</b>      |
|---------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| L. Bloomberg              | D. Chant         | A. Saloojee           |
| J. P. Boudreau            | D. Checkland     | F. Stewart            |
| M. Bountrogianni          | L. Di Cintio     | N. Thomlinson         |
| I. Coe                    | S. Dolgoy        | K. Tucker-Scott       |
| W. Cukier                 | M. Dionne        | P. Walsh              |
| C. Evans                  | D. Elder         | N. Walton             |
| U. George                 | C. Falzon        | J. Wolofsky           |
| C. Hack                   | A. Ferworn       | C. Zamaria            |
| J. Hanigsberg             | D. Greatrix      | S. Kim                |
| G. Hauck                  | F. Gunn          | A. Lam                |
| J. Isbister               | A. Hunter        | R. Lawrence           |
| A. Kahan                  | E. Kam           | P. Noorzad            |
| S. Krishnan               | L. Lavallee      | J. Rodriguez          |
| M. Lachemi                | D. Mason         | U. Siddiqui           |
| H. Lane Vetere            | J. Martin        | M. Tabatabaei Anaraki |
| M. Lefebvre               | A. McWilliams    |                       |
| S. Levy                   | J. P. Pascal     |                       |
| J. Mactavish              | A. Pejovic-Milic |                       |
| D. O'Neil Green           | K. Raahemifar    |                       |
| P. Stenton                | R. Ravindran     |                       |
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| <b>SENATE ASSOCIATES:</b> |                  | <b>ALUMNI:</b>        |
| M. Lee Blickstead         |                  | G. Farok              |
| A.M. Brinsmead            |                  | M. Sarkis             |
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| <b>REGRETS:</b>           | <b>ABSENT:</b>   |                       |
| J. Girardo                | S. Rahkmayil     |                       |
| V. Magness                | D. Rose          |                       |
| S. Murphy                 | D. Valliere      |                       |
| S. Torabi                 |                  |                       |

1. Call to Order/Establishment of Quorum

2. Approval of Agenda

**Motion:** *That Senate approve the October 1, 2013 agenda*

D. Mason moved; K. Raahemifar seconded

**Motion Approved**

3. Announcements

J. Hanigsberg introduced two newly-appointed employees: Kristina Sass-Kortsak, Assistant Vice President, Human Resources; and Joshna Maharaj, Executive Chef, Food Services

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting

**Motion:** *That Senate approve the minutes of the June 4, 2013 meeting*

K. Raahemifar moved; D. Mason seconded

**Motion Approved.**

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes

Regarding Motion 7.3.2.1 to approve the Nominating Committee report, N. Thomlinson stated that as M. Lovewell was a non-voting member of Senate, he should not have moved or seconded motions of Senate.

6. Correspondence - None

7. Reports:

7.1 Report of the President

7.1.1 President's Update

7.1.2 Achievement Report

7.2 Report of the Secretary

7.2.1 Response to Notice of Motion from June 4, 2013 Senate meeting regarding the number of regular Senate meetings.

**Motion:** *That Senate include June as a regular meeting of Senate, and that the Senate Bylaw 9.3.2 be revised to read: "At least seven (7) regular meetings of Senate shall be held between 01 October and 15 June..."*

**This was tabled to the Senate meeting of November 5, 2013.**

7.2.2 Response to question from the floor under Item 7.3.2.1 of the June 4, 2013 Senate meeting suggesting that there have been increases in the membership of some Standing Committees that contravene Senate bylaws

**Senate was invited to submit inquiries and/or information about specific committees so that the Secretary can follow up.**

7.3 Committee Reports

7.3.1 Report #F2013-1 of the AGPC

7.3.1.1 Updated Senate and Committee Membership from the Nominating Committee

**Motion:** *That Senate approve the committee memberships from the Nominating Committee as presented in this report*

A. McWilliams moved; U. Siddiqui seconded

**Motion Approved.**

7.3.1.2 Amendment of Policy 150 (*Accommodation of Student Religious, Aboriginal, and Spiritual Observance*) to make it consistent with Policy 134 (*Undergraduate Academic Consideration and Appeals*) regarding the submission of documents

**Motion:** *That Senate approve to amend Policy 150 (Accommodation of Student Religious, Aboriginal, and Spiritual Observance) as described in the excerpt attached*

K. Raahemifar moved; U. Siddiqui seconded

N. Thomlinson advised that the original motion be amended to read “*That Senate approve to amend...*” instead of “*That AGPC recommends that Senate approve to amend...*,” which is reflected in these minutes.

**Motion Approved.**

7.3.2 Report #F2013-1 of the SPC

7.3.2.1 Response to motion passed under Item 7.3.1.1. of the June 4, 2013 Senate meeting to create a new Policy 60 (*Student Code of Academic Conduct*) Review Committee, to be named at the October 2013 meeting

**Motion (D. Mason moved; M. Dionne seconded):** That Senate express its gratitude to the members of the previous Provostial committee for their work on Policy 60, and that Senate now strike an *ad hoc* committee, under the provisions of Article 7 of the Senate Bylaws, to fully review Policy 60 in a process involving extensive consultation with the Ryerson community and during which the committee will be guided but not bound by ideas considered by the previous Provostial committee and included in the Framework approved in June 2012. The new committee would consist of:

- two co-chairs (David Checkland and Chris Evans);
- one faculty representative from each of the six Faculties, as well as one each from the Yeates School of Graduate Studies and the Chang School of Continuing Education as follows:
  - Tara Burke (Arts),
  - Linda Cooper (FCS),

- Suanne Kelman (FCAD),
- Jeffrey Yokota (FEAS),
- Noel George (Science),
- Chris MacDonald (TRSM),
- Anthony Bonato (YSGS), and
- Anne Marie Brinsmead (Chang School)
- two students from the RSU, one student from CESAR, and one graduate student as follows:
  - Roshelle Lawrence (RSU rep on Senate),
  - an additional student rep nominated by the RSU;
  - Shinae Kim (CESAR rep on Senate), and
  - Pardis Noorzad (graduate student rep on Senate)
- five non-voting resource persons:
  - the Director of e-Learning (Nancy Walton),
  - the Ombudsperson (Nora Farrell),
  - the Secretary of Senate (John Turtle),
  - the Academic Integrity Director (Giselle Basanta), and
  - the Academic Integrity Officer (Donna Bell)
  - the Student Issues and Advocacy Coordinator

**Friendly Amendment #1:** D. Checkland suggested that an additional resource person be added: Vice President/Vice Provost Equity, Diversity and Inclusion as a non-voting member

**Friendly Amendment #2:** M. Dionne suggested that a Ryerson Faculty Association resource person be added.

**Friendly Amendment #3:** K. Tucker Scott suggested that the Academic Integrity Director be removed as resource person. This amendment was later withdrawn.

**Friendly Amendment #4:** S. Kim suggested that the CESAR Student Rights Coordinator be added as a resource person.

**Motion (moved by C. Zamaria / seconded by D. Mason)** That the motion be amended to replace the “five non-voting resource persons” section with the following wording:

The committee shall consult broadly including, but not limited to, the following resource persons:

- the Director of e-Learning (Nancy Walton),
- the Ombudsperson (Nora Farrell),
- the Vice President/Vice Provost Equity, Diversity and Inclusion,
- a resource person from the Ryerson Faculty Association,
- the Secretary of Senate (John Turtle),
- the Academic Integrity Director (Giselle Basanta), and
- the Academic Integrity Officer (Donna Bell)
- the RSU Student Issues and Advocacy Coordinator
- the CESAR Student Rights Coordinator

K. Tucker then **withdrew** Friendly Amendment #3 and deferred to C. Zamaria’s amendment.

### **Amendment Carried.**

**Friendly Amendment #5:** M. Dionne suggested that an interim report be submitted no later than February 2014.

### **MOTION AS AMENDED**

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  - Tara Burke (Arts),
  - Linda Cooper (FCS),
  - Suanne Kelman (FCAD),
  - Jeffrey Yokota (FEAS),
  - Noel George (Science),
  - Chris MacDonald (TRSM),
  - Anthony Bonato (YSGS), and
  - Anne Marie Brinsmead (Chang School)
- two students from the RSU, one student from CESAR, and one graduate student as follows:
  - Roshelle Lawrence (RSU rep on Senate),
  - an additional student rep nominated by the RSU;
  - Shinae Kim (CESAR rep on Senate), and
  - Pardis Noorzad (graduate student rep on Senate)

The committee shall consult broadly including, but not limited to, the following resource persons:

- the Director of e-Learning (Nancy Walton),
- the Ombudsperson (Nora Farrell),
- the Vice President/Vice Provost Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (Denise O'Neil Green)
- a resource person from the Ryerson Faculty Association,
- the Secretary of Senate (John Turtle),
- the Academic Integrity Director (Giselle Basanta), and
- the Academic Integrity Officer (Donna Bell)
- the RSU Student Issues and Advocacy Coordinator (Lyndall Musselman)
- the CESAR Student Rights Coordinator

The committee will report to the Academic Governance and Policy Committee (AGPC), which shall consider the committee report and bring forward proposed revisions to Policy 60 not later than the June 2014 meeting of Senate. An interim report of the committee will be delivered to Senate no later than February, 2014.

**Motion as Amended was Approved.**

7.3.3 Report #F2013-1 of the Academic Standards Committee:  
7.3.3.1 Optional Internship in the BA Professional Communication

**Motion:** *That Senate approve the Inclusion of an Internship in the Bachelor of Arts Degree Program in Professional Communication*

C. Evans moved; N. Walton seconded

**Motion Approved.**

7.3.3.2 Architectural Science Optional Co-operative Education Internship

**Motion:** *That Senate approve the Inclusion of the Co-operative Education Internship Option in the Bachelor of Architectural Science Degree Program*

C. Evans moved; S. Krishnan seconded

**Motion Approved.**

**8. Old Business**

8.1 Response to motion passed at the June 4, 2013 Senate meeting that Senate request AGPC to formulate a draft policy regarding Professional Master's Diplomas (PMDs), based on the September 18, 2012 YSGS document "Proposal for a Framework for Professional Master's Diplomas", for consideration by Senate; and that Senate approval of further proposals for PMDs be delayed until such time as Senate has put a policy in place.

C. Evans, Vice Provost Academic, reported that there may be more urgency on this matter than previously reported as some Diplomas are in the proposal stage, and that the AGPC will be working on draft policy for Senate consideration.

8.2 Response to suggestion under Item 7.3.3.1 at the June 4, 2013 Senate meeting that questions regarding the Optional specialization in Zone Education (OSZE) be appended to the minutes of the June 4 meeting .

C. Evans, Vice Provost Academic, noted that the questions were included in the October agenda package (pp. 37-41), that they will be retroactively attached to the minutes of the June 4, 2013 meeting of Senate, and that a future report from the Provost would respond to the questions.

**9. New Business as Circulated**

9.1 Discussion of draft version of Ryerson's 2014-2019 Academic Plan: M. Lachemi, Provost and Vice President Academic

M. Sarkis suggested engaging alumni in this process. M. Lachemi advised that an announcement be made to alumni through the appropriate channels.

**10. Members' Business**

10.1 Motions from D. Checkland regarding N. Walton to finish her term on Senate and as Vice Chair of Senate

N. Thomlinson acted as Vice chair during the discussion and voting process on this issue.

**Motion #1:** *In the absence of clear policy or guidance from either the Ryerson Act or the Senate By-law, Senate hereby affirms that it is its sole and exclusive right to determine whether or not an “Academic Director: who is not Director of a School is eligible to serve as a faculty Member-at-Large or as Vice-Chair; and Senate hereby directs the Academic Governance and Policy Committee to bring to Senate by May 2014 draft policy clarifying this matter.*

D. Checkland moved; D. Mason seconded

**Motion Approved.**

**Motion #2:** *That Senate hereby affirms that Dr. Nancy Walton may serve out her second year of a two-year term as a faculty member-at-large.*

D. Checkland moved; M. Dionne seconded

**(Vote count: 44 For; 9 Against; 2 Abstentions)**

**Motion Approved.**

**Motion #3:** *That Senate hereby affirms that Dr. Nancy Walton may serve out the second year of her term as Vice-Chair of Senate.*

**(Vote: 45 For; 3 Against; 4 spoiled ballots)**

**Motion Approved.**

10.2 Clarification of class start time: D. Mason

M. Lachemi advised he will report on this at the next Senate meeting

10.3 D. Mason asked why bottles of water were still being offered in vending machines on campus despite Ryerson’s no bottled water policy

J. Hanigsberg asked D. Mason to provide more information on this and advised she will address this at the next Senate meeting

**11.** Consent Agenda - None

**12.** Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.