

**SENATE MINUTES OF MEETING
TUESDAY, December 3, 2013**

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

1. Call to Order/Establishment of Quorum
2. Approval of Agenda
Motion: *That Senate approve the December 3, 2013 agenda*
A. McWilliams moved; M. Bountrogianni seconded
Motion Approved
3. Announcements - None
4. Minutes of Previous Meetings
Motion #1: *That Senate approve the minutes of the October 1, 2013 meeting*
D. Checkland moved; M. Bountrogianni seconded
Motion Approved

Motion #2: *That Senate approve the minutes of the November 5, 2013 meeting*
D. Checkland moved; A. McWilliams seconded
Motion Approved
5. Matters Arising from the Minutes
6. Correspondence - None
7. Reports:
 - 7.1 Report of the President
 - 7.1.1 President's Update
President Levy congratulated P. Shannon, Chair of the Theatre School, G. Hauck, Dean of FCAD, and all the students involved in the production of Cinderella at the Ryerson Theatre, which was open to Ryerson staff and their families, and which was reconfigured to entertain the children on site at the Sick Kids Hospital.

President Levy also congratulated Wendy Cukier, Vice President Research and Innovation, for being named among the 25 Women of Influence in Toronto for 2013; as well as Ivan Joseph, Director of Athletics, for being named Coach of the Year in soccer; and noted the success of several of Ryerson's sports teams this year.

President Levy also provided an overview of Ryerson's position with respect to university differentiation and the Strategic Mandate Agreements (SMAs), including that the provincial government is going to make decisions about graduate allocations as part of the SMA negotiation process, that revised SMAs must be submitted by Dec. 20, 2013, and that Ryerson's revision will not include anything new that would require Senate or Board approval because neither of those bodies will be meeting before the deadline.
 - 7.1.2 Achievement Report

7.2 Report of the Secretary - None

7.3 Committee Reports

7.3.1 Report #F2013-3 of the Academic Governance and Policy Committee (AGPC)

7.3.1.1 In response to the June 2013 motion that Senate request AGPC to formulate a draft policy, based on the September 18 2012 YSGS document “Proposal for a Framework for Professional Master’s Diplomas,” for consideration by Senate: C. Evans

Motion: *That Senate approve the proposed modifications to Policy 112 (Development of New Graduate and Undergraduate Programs) as described in the attached revision.*

Motion to table: C. Evans moved and R. Hoilett seconded to have this motion tabled until the next meeting.

Motion to table approved

7.3.2 Report #F2013-3 of the Academic Standards Committee (ASC): C. Evans

7.3.2.1 Bachelor of Science, Contemporary Science Program

Motion #1: *That Senate approve the phase out of the Bachelor of Science, Contemporary Science Program (with Co-Operative Program Option and Optional Specialization in Management Sciences).*

C. Evans moved; A. Ferworn seconded

Motion Approved

7.3.2.2 Minor in Criminal Justice

Motion #2: *That Senate approve the change of name of the Minor in Criminal Justice to Minor in Criminology.*

C. Evans moved; N. Thomlinson seconded

Motion Approved

7.3.2.3 Acting/Dance Studies Module for Creative Industries BA Program

Motion #3: *That Senate approve the new Module in Acting/Dance Studies for the Creative Industries BA Program.*

C. Evans moved; D. O’Neil Green seconded

Motion approved

7.3.2.4 Acting/Dance Studies Minor

Motion #4: *That Senate approve the New Minor in Acting/Dance Studies in the Ryerson Theatre School.*

C. Evans moved; A. Adeli seconded

Motion Approved

7.3.3 Report #F2013-3 of the Senate Priorities Committee (SPC)

7.3.3.1 In response to the January 2013 motion that Senate establish a Task Force on Interdisciplinary Programs:

N. Thomlinson

Motion #1: *That Senate receive the attached Final Report from the Task Force on Interdisciplinary Programs.*

N. Thomlinson moved; D. Checkland seconded

Motion Approved

Motion #2: *That Senate request the Provost to consider the Report in the preparation of the 2014-2019 Academic Plan.*

M. Thomlinson moved; S. Krishnan seconded

Motion Approved

Motion #3: *That Senate request the Provost to respond to the Report by October 2014.*

N. Thomlinson moved; R. Ravindran seconded

Motion Approved

N. Thomlinson requested that this report be posted on the Senate's and/or Provost's website, to which the Chair agreed.

8. Old Business - None

9. New Business as Circulated - None

10. Members' Business

President Levy introduced Phyllis Yaffe, Chair of the Board of Governors, and then read from a prepared statement, which included that his time at Ryerson has been the most gratifying, fun, and wonderful time of his working life, and his announcement that he is giving the required 18 months notice that he will not be seeking a third term as president. As a result, a Search Committee will have to be struck to undertake the process leading up to the appointment of a new president. He concluded by saying that we still have 18 months left to go, that he looks forward to the work that remains to be done, and to supporting the process for the selection of the next president.

President Levy then asked Phyllis Yaffee to describe the presidential search

process. Ms. Yaffe thanked President Levy for his exceptional contribution to the University, and described the search process according to Ryerson's General By-Laws.

On behalf of the RFA, Anver Saloojee said it was a sad day for Ryerson and that he understands but (humorously) does not support President Levy's decision. There was a standing ovation for the President, who then turned the Chair over to Vice Chair Nancy Walton and left the meeting, along with Ms. Yaffe. Nancy mentioned that Julia Shin Doi, General Counsel and Board Secretary would remain at the meeting to answer questions on behalf of the Board, and asked that David Checkland serve as Vice Chair.

The document "Senate Members on the Presidential Search Committee," developed by the Senate Priorities Committee and copied below, was distributed at the meeting. N. Thomlinson explained that a formal motion is needed to consider the motion in the document because prior notice was not given in the agenda.

Motion: *That, pursuant to Article 9.7.10 of the Senate Bylaws that Senate waive the normal requirement for notice of motion given the consideration of timeliness.*

N. Thomlinson moved and D. Mason seconded

Motion Approved

**Copy of the document,
"Senate Members on the Presidential Search Committee"**

Preamble

According to the General Bylaws of Ryerson University, Article 13.3, the procedure to appoint a new President includes requesting that Senate provide the names of four members of Senate to the Chair of the Board of Governors to serve as members of the Presidential Search Committee. The Chair of the Board (who shall chair the Search Committee), in consultation with the Vice-Chair of the Board, will then select seven members of the Board, with the intention that the Committee once formed will be comprised of one or more members of the Administrative Staff, Alumni, Teaching Faculty and Students.

MOTION: *That Senate adopt the following procedures to be applied in providing, to the Board of Governors, the names of four (4) Senators to serve on the Presidential Search Committee:*

#1: Timeline:

- a) nominations open on December 06, 2013 at 12pm
- b) nominations close on December 18, 2013 at 4:30 pm,
- c) candidate profiles be submitted by December 20, 2013 at 4:30 pm, and
- d) an online election take place between January 8 at 8:00 am and January 14, 2014 at 4:30 pm.

#2: Nominations:

Each valid nomination requires:

- (a) that it be submitted on the prescribed form [available on the Senate website and/or mailed to Senators];
- (b) the signature of two current Senators as nominators;
- (c) the signature of the nominee
 - i. consenting to the nomination, and
 - ii. acknowledging that membership on the Committee will require significant time and effort well into the 2014-2015 academic year, including a large number of meetings in the evening, on weekends, and/or away from the Ryerson campus.

#3: Ballots:

All Senators may vote for up to 4 candidates.

#4: Continuity:

Pursuant to Article 13.3 of Ryerson's General Bylaws, any Senator elected to the Search Committee who ceases to be a member of Senate, but continues to be a student at, alumni of, or employee of Ryerson University, shall continue to serve on the Search Committee.

Moved by D. Checkland, seconded by D. Mason

M. Dionne asked if a ranked voting procedure had been considered instead of the traditional ["first past the post"] procedure.

D. Checkland responded that a ranked voting procedure would be more complicated and take more time, which might reduce voter turnout.

D. Mason said that a ranked voting procedure need not necessarily take more time, and endorsed the procedure.

A. Ferworn countered that a ranked voting procedure *would* likely take more time.

Further discussion ensued regarding the details of ranked voting and sequential voting procedures.

Amendment: That a ranked/sequential voting procedure is preferred, that the Senate Priorities Committee be tasked with assessing its feasibility in terms of technology and timelines, and if deemed not feasible/viable we would revert to the "first past the post" procedure.

Moved by J. Isbister, seconded by D. Mason

Further discussion ensued, including D. Mason describing in some detail the procedure for a sequential, iterative procedure.

A. Saloojee spoke in favor of the "first past the post" procedure.

M. Dionne spoke in favor of a sequential/iterative procedure.

S. Dolgoy stated that we don't have sufficient information at this point and are being asked to make a "shotgun decision."

K. Tucker-Scott argued against having SPC making the decision.

Motion to divide the amendment: *That the amendment be divided into (a) That Senate prefers either a ranked voting or sequential voting procedure over the "first past the post" procedure and (b), if (a) is approved, that SPC determine the viability of either a ranked voting or sequential voting procedure over the "first past the post" procedure, and if deemed not feasible/viable we would revert to the "first past the post" procedure.*
Moved by A. Saloojee, seconded by ?

Motion approved.

Part (a) of the Amendment: *That Senate prefers either a ranked voting or sequential voting procedure over the "first past the post" procedure.*

Part (a) of the amendment approved

Part (b) of the Amendment: *That SPC determine the viability of either a ranked voting or sequential voting procedure over the "first past the post" procedure, and if deemed not feasible/viable we would revert to the "first past the post" procedure.*

P. Noorzad asked what reasons there might be for either a ranked or sequential voting procedure not to be feasible.

D. Mason responded that the timeline and/or available technology might make either procedure not feasible, and asked that Senate provide direction on its preference for a ranked voting system versus a sequential voting system.

D. Checkland supported the point that Senate provide direction on its preference for a ranked voting system versus a sequential voting system.

Friendly Amendment (accepted as such by J. Isbister and D. Mason): *To table Part (b) of the amendment so that we can determine if Senate has a preference for a ranked voting procedure or a sequential voting procedure.*

D. Mason explained the difference between the two procedures.

In a straw vote, 20 Senators in favor of a one-time, ranked voting procedure; 21 Senators in favor of a sequential voting procedure.

Motion: *That Senate prefers a sequential voting procedure over a ranked/preferential voting procedure if both are viable.*

Moved by D. Mason, seconded by D. Checkland

A. Saloojee inquired if there was still quorum. It was determined that there

was.

Motion approved.

Motion: *To recall Part (b) of the amendment to the table, which now reads: That SPC determine the viability of a sequential voting procedure over the “first past the post” procedure, and if deemed not feasible/viable we would revert to the “first past the post” procedure.*

Moved by D. Mason, seconded by ?

Motion approved.

Discussion continued on the original motion in the SPC document, as amended.

M. Dionne raised the issue of how Senate representatives on the search committee would be replaced if they are unable to serve their full term. She suggested that Senate could either elect a fifth person as a replacement-in-waiting, or repeat the entire process for all positions. She also suggested that there be a ratification process so that there are no simple acclamations for nominees that Senate does not support.

D. Checkland asked J. Shin Doi if, in the event a replacement is needed, would the Board appoint a replacement or would Senate? J. Shin Doi responded that Senate would appoint a replacement.

D. Checkland stated that the motion under discussion as amended might not be consistent with the original suggested timeline, and asked if Senate is giving the SPC authority to stipulate new voting dates.

H. Lane Vetere pointed out that there will be subsequent Senate meetings at which a replacement could be chosen.

D. Chant stated that it would be difficult to replace a search committee member once the process is underway.

Motion: *That the original motion be amended to read:*

*1(b) nominations close on **December 16, 2013** at 4:30 pm*

*1(c) candidate profiles be submitted by **December 18** at 4:30 p.m.*

*1(d) an online election take place between **January 8** at 10:00am and **January 16, 2014** at 4:30 p.m.*

D. Mason moved and D. Checkland seconded

Motion Approved

Original motion approved as amended.

11. Consent Agenda – Various course changes from:

(see: http://www.ryerson.ca/senate/agenda/2013/course_change_forms_Dec_3_13.pdf)

Arts – Arts and Contemporary Studies; Arts Common Platform; History; Language, Literatures and Cultures; Philosophy; Psychology; Sociology;
Communication and Design – Fashion; Graphic Communications Management; Image Arts; Image Arts/Creative Industries; Journalism; Professional Communication; RTA School of Media; Theatre School;
Community Services – Early Childhood Studies;
Ted Rogers School of Management - Accounting; Finance; Business Technology Management; Entrepreneurship/Strategy; Global Management Studies; Hospitality and Tourism Management; Marketing; Retail Management;
Engineering & Architectural Science - Chemical Engineering; Electrical and Computer Engineering
Science – Chemistry and Biology

12. Adjournment
The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.