

SENATE MINUTES OF MEETING
 Tuesday, May 31, 2016

MEMBERS PRESENT:

EX-OFFICIO:	FACULTY:	STUDENTS:
M. Bountrogianni	C. Antonescu	N. Naghibi
I. Coe	R. Babin	A. Pejovic-Milic
W. Cukier	S. Banerjee	C. Schryer
T. Duever	R. Botelho	T. Tenkate
C. Evans	D. Checkland	P. Walsh
U. George	Y. Derbal	N. Walton
C. Hack	M. Dionne	J. Zboralski
M. Lachemi	A. Ferworn	
H. Lane Vetere	A. Goss	
M. Lefebvre	E. Kam	
J. Mactavish	L. Kolasa	
M. Moshé	K. Kumar	
S. Murphy	V. Magness	
D. O'Neil Green	D. Mason	
P. Stenton	A. McWilliams	
S. Zolfaghari	R. Meldrum	

SENATE ASSOCIATES:
ALUMNI:
EX-OFFICIO STUDENTS:

A. M. Brinsmead	M. Rodrigues	Janet Rodriguez

REGRETS:
ABSENT:

J. P. Boudreau	R. Ashraf	M. Schalk
P. Danziger	B. Badiuk	K. Slimming
C. Falzon	J. D'Cruz	A. Smith Schon
R. Frankle	F. Gunn	B. Tan
N. Liu	J. Lisi	K. Tucker Scott
J. Machado	A. Mathews David	O. Ullah
D. Naylor	V. Morton	C. Yacyshyn
A. O'Malley	H. Mulla	C. Zamaria
R. Rodrigues	U. Odozor	M. Zouri
J. Winton	H. Parada	

1. Call to Order/Establishment of Quorum

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion: *That Senate approve the agenda for the May 31, 2016 meeting*

A. McWilliams moved; A. Goss seconded

Motion Approved.

3. Announcements

J. Turtle pointed out that brochures for the Alumni Weekend on the first weekend in October 2016 were available at the sign-up desk, and encouraged Senators to consider attending the event.

C. Evans congratulated E. Kam and the rest of the Learning and Teaching Office (LTO), as well Denise O'Neil Green and the rest of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion office, regarding the success of their joint efforts to organize the Ryerson Faculty Conference. He commented on the keynote address given by Ryerson's honorary doctorate recipient and Canadian Senator, Murray Sinclair, regarding the history of Canada's residential schools and their implications for the Truth and Reconciliation Report.

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion: *That Senate approve the minutes of the May 3, 2016 meeting*

D. Mason moved; V. Magness seconded

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes - None

6. Correspondence - None

7. Reports

Report of the President

7.1.1 President's Update

President Lachemi recognized that this was the last Senate meeting of the academic year, and thanked members for their hard work and collegiality during the year. He also congratulated outgoing Senate members Wendy Cukier, Usha George and Jean Paul Boudreau for their contributions to Ryerson and welcomed incoming Deans Lisa Barnoff and Pam Sugiman.

The President also announced that the Ryerson Faculty Association (RFA) recently ratified their new collective agreement and that the next step was for the agreement to go to the Board of Governors. He thanked both sides of the negotiation process for their hard work.

The President also announced that "convocation season" was approaching in the coming weeks, noted that there are 16 ceremonies this year, and invited Senators to attend their respective ceremonies. He pointed out that some changes have been made to the convocation format, including the recent gala held for all honorary doctorate recipients, at which he acknowledged Ryerson's Senate and the Awards and Ceremonials Committee that worked on the hon doc nominations.

7.2 Report of the Secretary

7.2.1 Update on Senate membership and schedule of 2016-2017 Senate meetings. It was pointed out that the last Senate meeting of the 2016-2017 session will take place on Monday, June 5, 2017 at 10:00 am. The last Tuesday in May is not available because Ryerson is hosting the 2017 Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences from May 27-June 2; and Tuesday, June 6 is not available because it conflicts with preparations for convocation ceremonies.

7.2.2 Update on Senate Standing Committee membership: New members are listed in the Senate meeting agenda; Alex Ferworn has volunteered to be the new Vice Chair of Senate, which also makes him the Vice Chair of the Senate Priorities Committee (SPC); and a reminder that SPC has the authority to act on behalf of Senate over the summer months if necessary.

7.3 Committee Reports

7.3.1 Report #W2016-5 of the Academic Standards Committee (ASC): M. Moshé

7.3.1.1 Health Services Management Periodic Program Review, TRSM

Motion: *That Senate approve the Periodic Program Review for the Health Services Management Program*

M. Moshé moved; S. Murphy seconded

Motion Approved.

7.3.1.2 Criminology Periodic Program Review, Faculty of Arts

Motion: *That Senate approve the Periodic Program Review for the Criminology Program*

M. Moshé moved; V. Magness seconded

Motion Approved.

7.3.1.3 Certificate in Privacy, Access, and Information Management (The Chang School of Continuing Education)

Motion: *That Senate approve certificate in Privacy, Access, and Information Management*

M. Moshé moved; V. Magness seconded

Motion Approved.

7.3.1.4 Certificate in Dietetics Practice in Canada for Internationally Educated Dieticians Professionals: Discontinuation (The Chang School of Continuing Education)

Motion: *That Senate approve the discontinuation of the Certificate in Dietetics Practice in Canada for Internationally Educated Dieticians Professionals*

M. Moshé moved; D. O'Neil Green seconded

Motion Approved.

7.3.1.5 Certificate in Preparation for Practice in Canada for Internationally Educated Professionals in Nutrition (IEPN) (The Chang School of Continuing Education)

Motion: *That Senate approve the Certificate in Preparation for Practice in Canada for Internationally Educated Professionals in Nutrition (IEPN)*

M. Moshé moved; D. O’Neil Green seconded

Motion Approved.

7.3.1.6 Certificate in Business Decision Analysis: Selected Revisions (The Chang School of Continuing Education)

Motion: *That Senate approve the selected revisions to the certificate in Business Decision Analysis as described in the agenda document*

M. Moshé moved; D. O’Neil Green seconded

Motion Approved.

7.3.1.7 Honours Degree Designations

- Biology (Faculty of Science)
- Biomedical Science (Faculty of Science)
- Financial Mathematics (Faculty of Science)
- Chemistry (Faculty of Science)
- Computer Science (Faculty of Science)
- Medical Physics (Faculty of Science)
- Arts and Contemporary Studies (Faculty of Arts)
- Criminology (Faculty of Arts)
- Environment and Urban Sustainability (Faculty of Arts)
- Geographic Analysis (Faculty of Arts)
- History (Faculty of Arts)
- Language and Intercultural Relations (Faculty of Arts)
- Philosophy (Faculty of Arts)
- Politics and Governance (Faculty of Arts)
- Public Administration and Governance (Faculty of Arts)

Motion: *That Senate approve the Honours degree designations for the programs listed in the agenda*

M. Moshé moved; I. Coe seconded

Motion Approved.

7.3.1.8 For information

- Chang School Certificate in Accounting-Finance: Course Exemption
- New Chang School Course Series in Scientific Research Policy and Ethics
- Chang School Course Series in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM): Course Deletion; Course Addition

7.3.2 Report #W2016-2 of the Senate Priorities Committee (SPC): J. Turtle

7.3.2.1 Pending approval of the new Honours degree designations in item 7.3.1.7, Policy 46 (the GPA policy), Policy 160 (Posthumous Degrees) and Policy 161 (Student Awards) will need to include “with Distinction” instead of “with Honours” for students graduating with a CGPA of 3.5 or higher.

Motion: *That Senate approve replacing the words “with Honours” with the words “with Distinction” in Policy 46, Policy 160, and Policy 161 to recognize graduates with CGPAs of 3.50 and higher, effective for Fall 2016 convocation.*

C. Hack moved; M. Bountrogianni seconded

Motion Approved.

7.3.2.2 Update on the provision in Policy 60 (Academic Integrity) for Designated Decision Makers (DDMs) to pursue suspicions of academic misconduct on behalf of instructors.

Motion: *That Senate approve extending the current limitation on access to Designated Decision Makers only to contract lecturers for the next academic year, to allow the Academic Integrity Office (AIO) and the Chair of the Designated Decision Makers' Council to build capacity.*

D. Checkland moved; A. McWilliams seconded

Motion Approved.

7.3.3 Report #W2016-3 of the Academic Governance and Policy Committee (AGPC): J. Turtle

7.3.3.1 Short-term revisions of policies under review by the *ad hoc* Academic Policy Review Committee (APRC):

- Policy 134 (Undergraduate Academic Consideration and Appeals)
http://ryerson.ca/senate/agenda/2016/Policy134_Undergraduate_Academic_Consideration_Appeals_Revisions_May31_2016Senate.pdf
- Policy 135 (Exams)
http://ryerson.ca/senate/agenda/2016/Policy135_Examination_Policy_Revisions_May31_2016Senate.pdf
- Policy 145 (Undergraduate Course Management)
http://ryerson.ca/senate/agenda/2016/Policy145_Course_Management_Policy_Revisions_May31_2016Senate.pdf
- Policy 151 (Graduate Course Management)
http://ryerson.ca/senate/agenda/2016/Policy151_GradCourseManagement_Proposed_Revisions_May31_2016Senate.pdf
- Policy 152 (Graduate Appeals)
http://ryerson.ca/senate/agenda/2016/Policy152_Grad_Studies_Appeals_Proposed_Revisions_May31_2016Senate.pdf
- Updating terms: changing Access Centre to Academic Accommodation Support, DHPO to Human Rights Services, Code of Academic Conduct to Academic Integrity policy, etc.
- Resolving inconsistencies re. signing authority for medical certificates: The requirement for a “physician” to sign a medical certificate was changed in 2005 to

“appropriate regulated health professional” in some sections of Policies 134 and 152, but not in all sections and not on the actual medical certificate

Motion: *That Senate approve the revisions to Policies 134, 135, 145, 151 and 152 as described in the agenda documents*

M. Moshé moved; A. McWilliams seconded

Motion Approved.

7.3.3.2: Standing Variation Withdrawal (SVW) – For students who meet the University’s definition for Clear academic standing (i.e., a CGPA of 1.67 or higher), but who have not met their program’s standing variation requirements.

Motion: *That Senate approve revisions to Policy #46 (the GPA policy) to add a new Academic Standing of Standing Variation Withdrawal (SVW) as described in the agenda document.*

C. Hack moved; V. Magness seconded

Motion Approved.

7.4 Update on the Ontario Human Rights Commission (OHRC) guidelines related to medical documentation and accommodation: H. Lane-Vetere provided some details regarding the OHRC guidelines and the Ryerson Senate policy changes that will be needed to comply with the guidelines, which are expected by the OHRC to be in place by September 6, 2016. It was noted that if that deadline is not extended, then the Senate Priorities Committee (SPC) will likely need to approve the necessary policy revisions on behalf of Senate over the summer months.

8. Old Business - None

9. New Business as Circulated - None

10. Members’ Business

On behalf of Senate members, President Lachemi thanked N. Naghibi for serving as Vice Chair of Senate for the past two years and presented her with a bouquet of flowers. The President also thanked and congratulated D. Glynn, who is retiring from Ryerson after decades of invaluable service to the University, especially the Chang School of Continuing Education. D. Checkland thanked outgoing Interim Director of the Academic Integrity Office, Robyn Jacobson, for her valuable work on the Policy 60 revisions and implementation process.

11. Consent Agenda

11.1 Academic Plan and OVPRI Update Updates

http://ryerson.ca/senate/agenda/2016/Academic_Plan_Update_May_2016.pdf

11.2 Academic Integrity Office (AIO) Report

11.3 Senate Learning and Teaching (SLT) Committee Report

12. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.