

SENATE MINUTES OF MEETING

Tuesday, March 7, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT:

EX-OFFICIO:	FACULTY:		STUDENTS:
L. Barnoff	C. Antonescu	E. Kam	W. Fraser
M. Bountrogianni	S. Benda	L. Kolasa	P. Gusciora
I. Coe	R. Botelho	K. Kumar	Y. Helmy
T. Duever	T. Burke	D. Mason	E. Hysi
C. Evans	B. Ceh	A. McWilliams	M. Masood
C. Falzon	D. Checkland	N. Naghibi	A. Robb
U. George	K. Church	L. Pine	F. Y. Zhang
H. Lane Vetere	P. Danziger	S. Rakhmayil	
M. Lachemi	Y. Derbal	C. Schryer	
M. Lefebvre	H. Doshi	J. Tiessen	
J. Mactavish	C. Dowling	K. Underwood	
M. Moshé	N. Eichenlaub	K. Venkatakrisnan	
S. Murphy	A. Ferworn	S. Wehbi	
D. O'Neil Green	J. Friedman	J. Zboralski	
P. Stenton	E. Harley		
S. Zolfaghari	R. Hudyma		
SENATE ASSOCIATES:			EX-OFFICIO STUDENTS:
A. M. Brinsmead			V. Morton
M. Zouri			J. Rodriguez
REGRETS:	ABSENT:		ALUMNI:
P. Haastrup	R. Frankle		R. Rodrigues
C. Hack	A. Latchman		
A. Mathews-David	A. Latif		
N. Piragic	P. Santhanasara		
M. Rodrigues	P. Sugiman		
	A. Wong		
	J. Winton		

The first part of the meeting commenced at 5:00 p.m. with a Committee of the Whole discussion regarding the Strategic Mandate Agreement (SMA) Process. A. Ferworn, Vice Chair of Senate, chaired this portion of the meeting.

P. Stenton, Deputy Provost and Vice Provost, University Planning, presented a brief update on the current SMA process. He then invited comments and questions from Senate members, as well as some other faculty members in attendance, because all Ryerson faculty members were invited to attend this portion of the Senate meeting.

Comments and questions were raised regarding issues such as performance metrics, enrolment targets (including international and continuing education students), prioritizing new program development, job prospects for graduating students, and the relationship between Ontario colleges and universities.

The slide presentation is available at ryerson.ca/senate/agenda/2017/SMA_Senate_March_7_2017.pdf. Further information about Ryerson's Mission Statement, the 2014-2019 Academic Plan, and the 2014-2017 SMA can be found at ryerson.ca/about/accountability/sma. Suggestions and questions can be sent to the Planning Office at sma2017@ryerson.ca

The following are the minutes of the regular Senate Meeting, which started at 6:05 p.m.

1. Call to Order/Establishment of Quorum
2. Approval of Agenda
Motion: *That Senate approve the agenda for the March 7, 2017 meeting*
D. Mason moved and M. Bountrogianni seconded.
Motion Approved.
3. Announcements - None
4. Minutes of Previous Meeting
Motion: *That Senate approve the minutes of the January 31, 2017 meeting*
S. Zolfaghari moved and T. Duever seconded.
Motion Approved.
5. Matters Arising from the Minutes – None
6. Correspondence - None
7. Reports
 - 7.1 Report of the President
 - 7.1.1 President's Update

President Lachemi announced the appointment of the new Provost and Vice President Academic, Michael Benarroch, effective July 1, 2017. He thanked the members of the Provost Search Committee for their dedicated work, and also thanked Chris Evans for his work as Interim Provost and Vice President Academic for the past year and a half.

President Lachemi also announced the Honorary Doctorate recipients who will be recognized at some of the 17 Spring 2017 convocation ceremonies. He noted that the recipients responded with great enthusiasm when notified of the award. He thanked the members of the Awards & Ceremonials Committee for their work and commitment in the selection process. The recipients are:

Faculty of Arts: Cindy Blackstock, Activist, Executive Director of the First Nations Child and Family Caring Society of Canada - (Doctor of Laws)

Faculty of Communication & Design: Phyllis Yaffe, Consul General of Canada in New York, Canadian film and television executive, past member of Ryerson Board of Governors – (Doctor of Laws)

Faculty of Community Service: Masai Ujiri, President and General Manager of the Toronto Raptors - (Doctor of Laws)

Faculty of Engineering & Architectural Science: David McKay, President and CEO of the Royal Bank of Canada - (Doctor of Laws)

Faculty of Science: Bonnie Schmidt, Founder and President of Let's Talk Science – an award-winning, national charitable organization – (Doctor of Science)

Ted Rogers School of Management: Louis Vachon, President and CEO of the National Bank of Canada – (Doctor of Laws)

The G. Raymond Chang School of Continuing Education: Heather McGregor, CEO of YWCA – (Doctor of Laws)

President Lachemi announced the creation of a new research chair in the study and advancement of democracy, in the Faculty of Arts. Mr. Stephen Jarislowsky, President of the Jarislowsky Foundation, donated \$2 million, which Ryerson will match.

The President also announced Ryerson Men's Basketball team's recent win against Carlton University.

Regarding the President's written report in the Senate agenda, K. Venkatakrisnan asked if the Industry Insights and Navigating Networks (IINN) program, piloted this year with graduate students in Biomedical Physics, will be expanded to other programs in future years. J. Mactavish, Vice Provost and Dean of YSGS, responded that it would.

The President then introduced the 5th video presentation of this Senate session, featuring Janice Waddell, Associate Professor in the Daphne Cockwell School of Nursing and an Associate Dean in the Faculty of Community Services. Janice is the recipient of this year's Chancellor's Award of Distinction.

7.2 Achievement Report

Regarding the written Achievement Report in the Senate agenda, K. Venkatakrisnan stated that it was his understanding that the process for awarding the Sarwan Sahota Ryerson Distinguished Scholar Award had been modified to allow members of the selection committee (specifically, Associate Deans) to apply for the award. He asked if the process can revert to the original format. President Lachemi indicated that further information would be obtained and reported at a subsequent Senate meeting.

K. Venkatakrisnan also stated that it was his understanding that Associate Deans are applying for YSGS awards, and asked if YSGS awards can be restricted to non-administrative RFA faculty members? President Lachemi again indicated that further information would be obtained and reported at a subsequent Senate meeting.

President Lachemi then invited P. Stenton to present an update on the current budget process. Among several points mentioned in the presentation, it was noted that beginning in 2018 all colleges and universities will bill students their net fee amount (i.e., minus any OSAP funding). P. Stenton stated that the budget will be submitted to the Board of Governors in April.

7.3 Report of the Secretary

7.3.1 Senate elections update

J. Turtle announced that online voting for the Senate elections had commenced and he encouraged everyone to vote and notify their colleagues about the election as well.

7.4 Committee Reports

7.4.1 Report #W2017-2 from the Academic Governance and Policy Committee (AGPC):
C. Evans reported the following.

7.4.1.1 The Academic Standards Committee has offered to work on Recommendation #2 in the [Ombudsperson's 2015-2016 Report](#) re additional expectations to pass a course, and will report back to Senate on their progress.

7.4.1.2 The Registrar's Office has offered to work on Recommendation #3 in the [Ombudsperson's 2015-2016 Report](#) re failing a course for the 3rd time, and will report back to Senate on their progress.

7.4.1.3 AGPC is developing a Senate policy framework (or "policy about policies") to aid in the development of new policies (e.g., format, definitions, scope, procedures) and the review of existing policies (e.g., length of review cycles, composition of review committees).

7.5 Report #W2017-2 from the Yeates School of Graduate Studies (YSGS): J. Mactavish spoke to the following:

7.5.1 Periodic Program Review for Master of Business Administration (MBA) Global Program

Motion: *That Senate approve the Periodic Program Review of the Master of Business Administration (MBA) Global Program.*

J. Mactavish moved; S. Murphy seconded

Motion Approved.

8. Old Business - None

9. New Business as Circulated - None

10. Members' Business

Regarding the current United States immigration policy, D. Checkland asked if there is anything that Ryerson is doing to assist students who might have planned to come from the countries involved to attend Ryerson. C. Evans stated that he has proposed that Ryerson provide various types of support to assist those students, as well as for Ryerson students who had plans to go to the U.S. for educational and research purposes.

11. Consent Agenda - None

12. Adjournment - 6:51 p.m.