

SENATE MINUTES OF MEETING
Tuesday, October 3, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT:

EX-OFFICIO:	FACULTY:		STUDENTS:
J. Austin	C. Antonescu	E. Kam	B. Baum
M. Banarroch	I. Baitz	K. Kumar	L. Emberson
L. Barnoff	R. Botelho	V. Magness	S. Faruqi
C. Hack	T. Burke	D. Mason	E. Hysi
M. Lachemi	B. Ceh	A. McWilliams	F. Muto
S. Liss	K. Church	L. Pine	T. Nowshin
M. Moshé	Y. Derbal	S. Rakhmayil	R. Rezaee
D. O'Neil Green	M. Dionne	R. Ravindran	R. Syed
C. Shepstone	H. Doshi	J. Tiessen	N. Ul Saqib
P. Stenton	A. Ferworn	N. Thomlinson	
P. Sugiman	J. Friedman	K. Underwood	
S. Zolfaghari	E. Harley	K. Venkatakrishnan	EX-OFFICIO
	R. Hudyma	J. Zboralski	D. Lis

SENATE ASSOCIATES: **ALUMNI:**

A. M. Brinsmead	J. Makuch
M. Zouri	C. Tam

REGRETS: **ABSENT:**

M. Bountrogianni	C. Falzon	S. Benda
I. Coe	J. Mactavish	P. Danziger
C. Davenport	I. Mishkel	V. Tanveer
S. Dolgoy	S. Murphy	
C. Dowling	A. Najibzadeh	
T. Duever	J. Winton	
N. Eichenlaub		

1. Call to Order/Establishment of Quorum

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion: *That Senate approve the agenda for the October 3, 2017 meeting*

Motion to amend agenda – Removal of Item 10.1

D. Mason moved; A. McWilliams seconded

Amended Agenda Approved

3. Announcements - None

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting – June 5, 2017

D. Mason moved; V. Magness 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

Highlights:

President Lachemi welcomed M. Benarroch, Ryerson's new Provost and Vice-President Academic, and I. Mishkel, the new Vice-President University Advancement and Alumni Relations. He also congratulated D. O'Neil Green on her new role as Vice-President Equity and Community Inclusion. He emphasized Ryerson's shared commitment to equity, diversity and inclusion.

The Ryerson Image Centre (RIC) acquired 25,000 photos from the New York Times, some of which are part of the RIC's exhibit entitled "The Far Away Nearby."

In September, Ryerson celebrated being named a top diversity employer for the third year in a row. President Lachemi congratulated C. Sass-Kortsak, Assistant Vice-President, Human Resources and D. O'Neil Green, Vice-President Equity and Community Inclusion, and their staff for their work in this area.

President Lachemi congratulated the faculty, students, alumni and staff of the RTA School of Media for being recognized by the Hollywood Reporter as the only Canadian school to make their 2017 list of the top 15 film schools in the world. The President also commented on Ryerson's involvement with the Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF), including five FCAD alumni who had entries in the Festival.

President Lachemi attended the launch of Ryerson's newly-acquired DMZ space in New York City. Also attending was former Ryerson Board Chair, Phyllis Yaffe, who is currently the Consul General for Canada in New York.

The Search for a new Vice-President Operations & Administration to replace Janice Winton, who will be retiring soon, is progressing well. President Lachemi will update Senate as the process continues.

Ryerson's Board of Governors has announced that they are initiating the search for a new Chancellor, given that Chancellor Bloomberg will be finishing his second term by October 2018. The Chair of the Board has asked President Lachemi to initiate the process to select three members from Senate to be on the search committee, in accordance with the Ryerson University Act. President Lachemi will ask the Senate Priorities Committee (SPC) to recommend a process for that selection at the next Senate meeting.

The President updated Senate on the Brampton initiative. He noted that \$150M has been approved by the City of Brampton to fund the project. Ryerson has submitted a formal proposal to the Province, and Senate will be updated on any progress. The President noted for Senate that a consultation process will be established to get input from the Ryerson community regarding programming/curriculum for the initiative.

Regarding the law school proposal, the Ontario Universities Council on Quality Assurance ("the Quality Council") and the Federation of Law Societies of Canada are currently reviewing the proposal. Senate will be informed of any progress.

President Lachemi reminded Senate of the upcoming Fall convocation ceremonies, which are scheduled for next week (October 10-12). Honorary doctorate awards will be bestowed as follows: Frank Iacobucci, retired Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada; and Helen Vari, President, George and Helen Vari Foundation.

7.2 Report of the Secretary

7.3.2 Updated list of membership and committees

J. Turtle provided an update on the membership of various Senate committees and noted that complete membership lists are available on the Senate website.

7.3 Update on the Strategic Mandate Agreement (SMA) process: P. Stenton

The Vice-Provost, Planning updated Senate on the ongoing SMA negotiations, and noted that Senate will be kept apprised of any progress.

7.4.1 Report #F2017-1 of the Academic Standards Committee (ASC):

7.4.1.1. Medical Physics Major Curriculum Modification

M. Moshe moved; A. McWilliams seconded

Motion Approved.

7.4.2.1 Academic Policy Review Committee (APRC) update: M. Moshé provided an update on the new Health Certificate, which replaces the former Medical Certificate. The committee is working with Computer and Communication Services (CCS) on a Fall 2017 pilot project in TRSM for students to submit requests for Academic Consideration online, with plans for University-wide implementation at a later date. There will also be a Fall 2017 pilot project for “Self-Declarations” in the Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering. Further details regarding the Health Certificate and Self-Declarations are available in previous, written APRC reports to Senate and on the Senate website.

7.4.2.2 History Department Council Bylaws

M. Benarroch moved, S. Liss seconded

D. Mason expressed concerns with the History bylaws, noted some inconsistencies, and made some recommendations for reviewing bylaws in the future, such as using consistent formatting.

After some discussion, N. Thomlinson moved to refer the History bylaws back to the History department, so that any issues can be addressed, and a revised draft brought to Senate at a later day. R. Syed seconded this motion.

Motion to refer approved.

7.4.2.3 Midwifery Education Program Council Bylaws

M. Benarroch moved, M. Dionne seconded.

Discussion ensued regarding potential inconsistencies in these bylaws, as well as general issues about the implementation of Policy 45 (Governance Councils).

D. Mason moved to refer the Midwifery bylaws back to the Midwifery Education Program, so that any issues can be addressed, and a revised draft brought to Senate at a later day. A. McWilliams seconded this motion.

Motion to refer was not approved.

N. Thomlinson moved to amend the bylaws such that Article 7.1 read as follows: “The School Council may establish other sub-committees as necessary to consider any other matters of concern to the School,” and that the future creation of any subcommittees be brought to Senate for approval. L. Emberson seconded. A representative from the Midwifery Education Program agreed to modify the bylaws accordingly.

Motion to amend approved.

Original motion approved, as amended.

7.4.2.4 Architectural Science Council Bylaws

M. Benarroch moved, V. Magness seconded

D. Mason moved to amend the bylaws such that Article 4.L read as follows: “Amendment of these by-laws shall require the passing of amending by-law with a vote of support by at least two-thirds (2/3) of the voting members of the Council before forwarding to Senate for approval.” R. Rezaee seconded.

Motion to amend approved.

Original motion approved, as amended.

7.4.2.5 The Provost provided an update on the review of Ryerson’s Freedom of Speech statement. He mentioned that a sub-committee of AGPC is being formed, and that Senate will be informed of its composition in the near future.

7.4.2.6 The Provost stated that a committee to review the Senate bylaws will be struck, and that Senate will be informed of its composition in the near future.

8. Old Business – None
9. New Business - None
10. Members’ Business – None
11. Consent Agenda – None
12. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m.