

## SENATE MINUTES OF MEETING

**Tuesday, December 5, 2017**

<b>MEMBERS PRESENT:</b>			
<b>EX-OFFICIO:</b>	<b>FACULTY:</b>		<b>STUDENTS:</b>
J. Austin	C. Antonescu	A. Ferworn	B. Arkinson
L. Barnoff	I. Baitz	J. Friedman	S. Asalya
M. Benarroch	S. Benda	E. Harley	C. Davenport
M. Bountrogianni	R. Botelho	R. Hudyma	L. Emberson
C. Hack	T. Burke	E. Kam	S. Faruqi
C. Falzon	B. Ceh	K. Kumar	E. Hysi
M. Lachemi	R-Chumak-Horbatsch	V. Magness	F. Muto
S. Liss	K. Church	D. Mason	R. Rezaee
M. Moshé	P. Danziger	A. McWilliams	R. Syed
D. O'Neil Green	M. Dionne	L. Pine	
C. Shepstone	S. Dolgoy	S. Rakhmayil	
P. Stenton	H. Doshi	R. Ravindran	<b>EX-OFFICIO</b>
J. Winton	C. Dowling	N. Thomlinson	D. Lis
S. Zolfaghari	N. Eichenlaub	J. Tiessen	
		J. Zboralski	
<b>SENATE ASSOCIATES:</b>			<b>ALUMNI:</b>
A. M. Brinsmead			J. Makuch
M. Zouri			C. Tam
<b>REGRETS:</b>		<b>ABSENT:</b>	
B. Baum		V. Tanveer	
Y. Derbal		N. Ul Saqib	
I. Coe			
T. Duever			
J. Mactavish			
I. Mishkel			
A. Najibzadeh			
T. Nowshin			
P. Sugiman			
K. Underwood			
K. Venkatakrishnan			

Members participated in a Committee of the Whole discussion regarding examination scheduling issues. This included a brief presentation, highlighting points in the documents included in the Academic Governance and Policy Committee (AGPC) report in this agenda, followed by a few questions for Senators to consider. Feedback from the discussion will be provided to the Academic Policy Review Committee (APRC).

The formal part of the meeting commenced at 5:50 p.m.

1. Call to Order/Establishment of Quorum
2. Approval of the Agenda  
**Motion:** *That Senate approve the agenda for the December 5, 2017 meeting*  
  
A. McWilliams moved; V. Magness seconded  
**Motion Approved.**
3. Announcements - None
4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting  
**Motion:** *That Senate approve the minutes of the November 7, 2017 meeting, including a correction in the first line on p. 5 to read “K. Church” instead of “K. Underwood.”*  
  
*D. Mason moved; N. Thomlinson seconded*  
**Motion Approved.**
5. Matters Arising from the Minutes
6. Correspondence
7. Reports
  - 7.1 Report of the President
    - 7.1.1 President’s Update

President Lachemi acknowledged some Senate members who will be leaving Ryerson. He thanked P. Stenton and J. Winton for their many contributions to the University, and they were presented with a certificate of recognition. He also thanked S. Murphy, outgoing Dean of the Ted Rogers School of Management, for his contributions and congratulated him on his new role as President and Vice Chancellor of the Ontario Institute of Technology (UOIT).

The President announced the appointment of the newly-titled Vice-President Administration and Operations, D. Brown, who starts at Ryerson on January 29, 2018.

Former First Lady of the United States, Michelle Obama, was the keynote speaker at a [conference held at the Mattamy Athletic Centre on November 28](#). There were more than 3,000 people in attendance, half of whom were young women from the ages of 15-24

The Mayor of Charlottesville, USA, visited Ryerson on November 29 and spoke about [Democracy in the age of Trump](#).

The President congratulated Ryerson's DMZ for receiving the National Accelerator Incubator of the Year Award from the Digital Finance Institute.

Update on the Brampton site: Ryerson is in discussions with the provincial government and the City of Brampton. Senate will be updated as more information becomes available.

A short video featuring Ryerson alum Sathish Bala was presented, part of a series being presented at Senate meetings this year.

## 7.2 Achievement Report - None

## 7.3 Report of the Secretary

The Secretary welcomed two new student Senators representing the G. Raymond Chang School of Continuing Education: Sara Asalya and Brandon Arkinson.

## 7.4 Committee Reports

### 7.4.1 Report #F2017-3 of the Academic Standards Committee (ASC): M. Moshé

#### 7.4.1.1 Entrepreneurship Co-Op Revision

**Motion:** *That Senate approve the TRSM Entrepreneurship Co-Op revision as described in the Senate agenda*

M. Moshé moved; Y. Derbal seconded

**Motion Approved**

#### 7.4.1.2 For information: Program Review (PPR) Follow-up Reports (Criminology, Health Services Management, Medical Physics, RTA Media Production)

#### 7.4.1.3 For information: G. Raymond Chang School of Continuing Education Certificate Revisions for November 2017

- Canadian Social Work Practice: Course Additions and Deletions
- Computer Security and Digital Forensics: Revised Course Description for CKDF 145
- Food Security: Course Additions
- Local Economic Development (LED): Course Additions and Deletions
- Music: Global and Cultural Contexts: Course Addition
- News Studies: Course Deletions and Additions (Elective Category)
- Public Relations: Course Addition and Deletion
- Publishing: Course Additions

### 7.4.2 Report #F2017-3 of the Academic Governance and Policy Committee (AGPC):

M. Benarroch

#### 7.4.2.1 Academic Policy Review Committee (APRC) update:

M. Moshé (see attached reports from the Registrar and the APRC exam subcommittee). Feedback from stakeholders on the issues addressed in the reports is being received, and the committee will

be considering comments from Senate's Committee of the Whole held prior to this Senate meeting.

R. Rezaee asked for clarification regarding the number of exams that can be scheduled for an individual student in one calendar day, as stated in Ryerson's examination policy. M. Moshé responded that the examination policy is under review and that this issue will be addressed.

#### 7.4.2.2 Update on the Review of [Ryerson's Freedom of Speech statement](#)

A. McWilliams stated that the review committee is continuing to meet and will update Senate on their progress.

#### 7.4.2.3 Update on Review of [Senate Bylaws](#)

The Provost reported that a committee has been struck and will be meeting soon. This committee consists of the following members: D. Checkland, L. Emberson, C. Shepstone, N. Thomlinson, N. Walton, M. Haider, and J. Turtle (non-voting).

#### 7.4.3 Report #F2017-2 of the Curriculum Implementation Committee (CIC): M. Moshé

7.4.3.1 **Motion**: *That Senate receive for information the December 5, 2017 Curriculum Implementation Committee Report to Senate; and, That Senate request the Vice-Provost Academic to report semi-annually on whether and how each of the recommendations in the Report has been addressed.*

M. Moshé moved; N. Thomlinson seconded

S. Dolgoy complimented the committee members for their fabulous work.

#### **Motion Approved**

7.4.3.2 **Motion**: *That Senate approve the proposed Policy 2: Undergraduate Curriculum Structure.*

M. Moshé moved; D. Lis seconded

H. Doshi asked if restrictions on student's access to specific courses will be implemented on RAMSS. M. Moshé responded that students have choices regarding how they enroll in courses through RAMSS and that, currently, at least one of those enrolment methods will not show students courses they are not allowed to take.

D. Mason recognized the value of the new curriculum structure, asked why it will take up to three years to be implemented, and what might be done to accelerate the process. M. Moshé responded that three years is the minimum amount of time required, depending on the resources available. M. Benarroch noted that the next motion on the agenda is written as a guideline for the implementation timeline and that, given the extent of the changes, three years is an appropriate time period. He added that if it's possible to accomplish the task sooner, in a financially viable manner, he is in favour of that.

R. Rezaee asked if the policy covers students who started at Ryerson before this policy is implemented in their program (i.e., “grandfathering”) and if any students would be disadvantaged by the changes. M. Moshé responded that it would be applicable to new and current students when implemented in a given program, which leads to greater choice for students, and that they will not be disadvantaged. L. Emberson commented that she benefited from her program’s switch to this new structure.

Y. Derbal asked about the minimum and maximum percentages of core, open elective and liberal studies courses in the new curriculum structure. M. Moshé responded that the new structure does not change those percentages compared to the practices and policies in place for the past 10-15 years.

L. Pine stated that it was reported at a conference she attended recently that it appears Ryerson is behind on addressing the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) recommendations. She asked if Ryerson courses that include Indigenous topics could be coded such that students could find them more easily. The President noted that the University is working on its response to the TRC recommendations, and that this suggestion will be taken into consideration. The Provost agreed that it was a good idea and that he would support working toward it.

S. Rakhmayil agreed with L. Pine and suggested that Ryerson should work to help students find more details about the content of courses. M. Moshé said students can now type in key words to search for them in course titles. The President said the suggestion will be considered.

**Motion Approved.**

*7.4.3.3 **Motion:** That Senate approve the proposed Implementation Plan; and, That the Timeline contained in Appendix I of the Plan be accepted as a guideline, with milestones and any divergences reported and explained to Senate throughout the implementation process.*

M. Moshé moved; D. Mason seconded

M. Moshé described the proposed implementation plan. She also listed and thanked current and past committee members for their hard work over many years.

D. Mason asked about the need for three years to implement the new curriculum structure. President Lachemi assured Senate that if the committee can get this work done sooner, they will do so. M. Moshé provided more details about the implementation plan.

D. Mason asked why the committee didn’t list those departments that can be phased in earlier than three years. President Lachemi recommended that the committee look into the implementation timeline and that a report be provided to Senate at the next meeting.

**Motion Approved.**

President Lachemi reiterated that this is a major milestone for curriculum changes at Ryerson. He thanked the committee, especially M. Moshé for her dedication and leadership on this initiative.

She in turn thanked the curriculum implementation sub-committee members for their hard work on this project.

## 7.5 Report #F2017-2 of the Yeates School of Graduate Studies (YSGS)

### 7.5.1 Periodic Program Review – Master of Journalism

**Motion:** *That Senate approve the Periodic Program Review – Master of Journalism as described in the Senate agenda.*

C. Falzon moved; M. Bountrogiani seconded

**Motion Approved.**

7.5.2 For Information: One year follow-up report to Periodic Program Review – Master of Nursing

8. Old Business

9. New Business as Circulated

10. Members' Business

11. Consent Agenda

11.1 Progress Indicators from the University Planning Office (UPO)

[http://www.ryerson.ca/senate/agenda/2017/Progress\\_Indicators\\_December\\_2017\\_Senate.pdf](http://www.ryerson.ca/senate/agenda/2017/Progress_Indicators_December_2017_Senate.pdf)

11.2 Awards & Ceremonials Committee Convocation Report

11.3 Various course change forms

[http://www.ryerson.ca/senate/agenda/2017/Course\\_Change\\_Forms\\_December\\_2017.pdf](http://www.ryerson.ca/senate/agenda/2017/Course_Change_Forms_December_2017.pdf)

- **Faculty of Arts:**  
*Economics; English; Geography & Environmental Studies; History; Languages, Literatures & Cultures; Philosophy; Politics & Public Administration; Psychology; Sociology*
- **Faculty of Communication & Design:**  
*Creative Industries; Fashion; Graphic Communications Management; Image Arts; Interior Design; Professional Communication; RTA School of Media; School of Performance*
- **Faculty of Community Services:**  
*Child & Youth Care; Disability Studies; Midwifery; Nutrition & Food; Urban & Regional Planning*
- **Faculty of Engineering & Architectural Science:**  
*Electrical & Computer Engineering*
- **Faculty of Science:**  
*Chemistry & Biology; Computer Science; Mathematics; Medical Physics; Physics; Undeclared Science*

- **Ted Rogers School of Management:**  
*Accounting & Finance; Entrepreneurship & Strategy; Finance; Finance Minor; Health Services Management; Hospitality & Tourism; Information Technology Management; Retail Management*

12. Adjournment at 6:52 p.m.