

**SENATE
MINUTES OF MEETING**

TUESDAY, March 5, 2013

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ex-Officio:	Faculty:		Students:
J. P. Boudreau	D. Chant	A. Pejovic-Milic	Y. Barsoom
I. Coe	D. Checkland	K. Raahemifar	T. Landau
W. Cukier	M. Coomey	S. Rahkmayil	M. Madik
C. Evans	M. Dionne	D. Rose	M. Tabatabaei Anaraki
J. Hanigsberg	D. Elder	A. Saloojee	J. Rodriguez
J. Isbister	A. Ferworn	C. Schryer	M. Palermo
M. Lachemi	D. Greatrix	M. Sharpe	
H. Lane Vetere	F. Gun	K. Tucker-Scott	
M. Lefebvre	E. Kam	J. Turtle	
A. Levin	L. Lavallee	D. Valliere	
S. Levy	V. Magness	P. Walsh	
J. Mactavish	J. Martin	N. Walton	
D. O'Neil Green	D. Mason	J. Wolofsky	
P. Stenton	A. Miri	C. Zamaria	
	J. P. Pascal		

SENATE ASSOCIATES:

A.M Brinsmead			ALUMNI: T. Barnett

REGRETS:

ABSENT:

L. Bloomberg	D. Brogan		
L. Di Cintio	C. Demetriades		
G. Fearon	R. Diverlus		
A. Fung	A. Hunter		
U. George	A. Khalil		
J. Girardo	M. Lee-Blickstead		
G. Hauck	J. Maldonado		
K. Jones	A. Randall		
A. Kahan	J. Shields		
	M. Sirajul Islam		
	J. Sudhir		
	A. Williams		
	M. Yahya		

1. Call to Order/Establishment of Quorum
2. Approval of Agenda

Motion: *That Senate approve the March 5, 2013 agenda*

D. Elder moved; A. Saloojee seconded

Motion approved.

3. Announcements – Invitation to FCS launch of Social Innovation Program – Guest speaker – March 19, 2013

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion: *That Senate approve the minutes of the January 29, 2013 meeting*

A. Ferworn moved; M. Lachemi 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

- 7.1.2 Achievement Report (highlights)

- President Levy announced the appointment of Mohamed Lachemi as Provost and Vice President Academic. He thanked John Isbister and Avner Levin for their interim roles as Provost and Vice President Academic, and Vice President Faculty Affairs respectively.
- The search for the new Dean of Chang School is complete. An announcement will be made shortly.
- Congratulations to organizers who put together Black History month Awards event on March 4, 2013.

- 7.1.3 Budget issues were presented by Paul Stenton, Vice Provost, University Planning

- 7.2 Report of the Secretary – verbal report – CESAR Replacement

- 7.3 Committee Reports

- 7.3.1 Presentation on Policy #46 – C. Evans

- 7.3.2 Report #W2013-2 of the AGPC –

- 7.3.2.1. Policy 46: *Policy on Undergraduate Grading, Promotion, and Academic Standing (The "GPA" Policy)*, Section 2.1.2 - regarding FEAS/FoS. See <http://www.ryerson.ca/senate/policies/pol46.pdf>

Motion: *That Senate approve to amend Policy 46 (Policy on Undergraduate Grading, Promotion, and Academic Standing) to*

introduce a single scheme of Graded Course Performance Designations and to adjust the threshold for Clear standing from 2.00 to 1.67 to be implemented starting in the Fall Term 2013, through the following changes in the wording of the policy.

D. Mason moved; A. Ferworn seconded.

Question from community regarding the effect on engineering students.

Motion approved.

7.3.1.2 Policy #45: Constitutional Provisions for Department/School Councils

Motion: *That Senate approve the amended Policy #45 – Constitutional Provisions for Department/School Councils*

M. Lovewell moved; D. Mason seconded.

Questions/Comments:

A. Saloojee suggested that Senate address concerns of members before adopting motion.

D. Mason suggested a clearer repository of information

J. Isbister and M. Lovewell agreed to establish a working committee who will meet and report to the next Senate meeting with a slightly revised policy document.

J. Rodriguez reminded the meeting of AODA's template which can be used to ensure policies meet disability requirements:

D. Valliere mentioned TRSM's three operating levels and was concerned about the effects on their department.

Motion: *That Senate table this motion and create a working group to make on minor revisions.*

D. Checkland moved; M. Dionne seconded this motion

J. Mactavish suggested that a timeline be established.

J. Rodriguez suggested keeping the language simple for accessibility purposes.

Motion to table approved.

- 7.3.3 Update on Report #W2013-1 of the Senate Priorities Committee:
Motion #2 - on Creation of Schools/Departments and Task Force on Interdisciplinary Programs – (David Checkland)
C. Schryer from Professional Communication has been added to represent FCAD on the task force.
- 7.3.4 Report #W2013-2 of the Academic Standards Committee Curriculum Implementation Committee has been meeting and a report is expected at the next Senate meeting.
- 7.3.5. Chris Evans moved all four motions.
Motion #1: *That Senate approve the Periodic Program Review of the Bachelor of Fine Arts (Image Arts) program.*

J. Wolofsky seconded.

Motion Approved

Motion #2: *That Senate approve the Periodic Program Review of the Bachelor of Arts in Child and Youth Care program.*

J. Martin seconded.

Motion Approved

Motion #3: *That Senate approve the proposed Bachelor of Arts degree program in Sport Media.*

L. Lavallee seconded.

Questions: A. Saloojee thinks this is an excellent program, but is concerned about the unequal ratio (4 new RFA and 2 CUPE). He was advised that the university will abide by collective agreement.

M. Dionne asked about the expected intake for enrollment. C. Evans stated that it will be 60 for first-year intake.

D. Checkland commented on critical thinking issue.

Motion Approved

Motion #4: *That Senate approve the proposed revisions to the Certificate in Health Studies.*

M. Lachemi seconded.

Motion Approved.

8. Old Business - none

9. New Business as Circulated - none

- 10.** Members' Business – D. Checkland commented on the low number of faculty nominations for the 2013-2015 Senate election.
- 11.** Consent Agenda - none
- 12.** Adjournment – 6:30 p.m.