

SENATE MINUTES OF MEETING
TUESDAY, June 3, 2014

MEMBERS PRESENT:			
EX-OFFICIO:	FACULTY:		STUDENTS:
J. P. Boudreau	D. Checkland	N. Thomlinson	A. Adeli
M. Bountrogianni	D. Chant	K. Tucker-Scott	D. Anderson
I. Coe	L. Di Cintio	D. Valliere	G. Goldar
W. Cukier	M. Dionne	N. Walton	A. Hassan
C. Evans	S. Dolgoy	J. Wolofsky	M. Ismail
U. George	C. Falzon		A. Lam
C. Hack	D. Greatrix		J. Rodriguez
J. Hanigsberg	F. Gunn		U. Siddiqui
G. Hauck	A. Hunter		M. Tabatabaei Anaraki
J. Isbister	E. Kam		S. Torabi
A. Kahan	L. Lavallée		
S. Krishnan	V. Magness		
M. Lachemi	J. Martin		
H. Lane Vetere	D. Mason		
M. Lefebvre	J. P. Pascal		
S. Levy	A. Pejovic-Milic		
J. Mactavish	K. Raahemifar		
S. Murphy	S. Rahkmayil		
D. O'Neil Green	D. Rose		
P. Stenton	F. Stewart		
SENATE ASSOCIATES:			
M. Lee Blickstead			
A.M. Brinsmead			
REGRETS:	ABSENT:		ALUMNI:
L. Bloomberg	S. Campbell		G. Farok
A. Ferworn	P. Diverlus		M. Sarkis
A. McWilliams	R. Holett		
P. Noorzad	Md. Sirajul Islam		
R. Ravindran			
A. Saloojee			
P. Walsh			
C. Zamaria			

1. Call to Order/Establishment of Quorum
2. Approval of Agenda
Motion: *That Senate approve the June 3, 2014 agenda*
K. Raehemifar moved; D. Valliere seconded

Motion Approved.

3. Announcements - None
4. Minutes of Previous Meetings

Motion: *That Senate approve the minutes of the May 6, 2014 meeting*

M. Dionne moved; U. George 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 Levy thanked Nancy Walton for her work in the role as Vice Chair of Senate for 2014-15, which prompted a round of applause.

President Levy also announced that Spring Convocation was starting the day after the meeting, and encouraged everyone to make an effort to attend.

Finally, President Levy announced that Janice Fukakusa had been named as the new Chair of the Board of Governors, and that Phyllis Yaffe is Acting Vice Chair until the Board chooses a new Vice Chair at their next meeting.

7.2 Report of the Secretary – None

7.3 Draft of the 2014-2019 Academic Plan: M. Lachemi

Motion: *That Senate approve Ryerson University's Academic Plan for 2014-2019, entitled "Our Time to Lead".*

M. Lachemi moved; and the following seconded: D. Anderson, U. Siddiqui, K. Raahemifar, V. Magness, J.P. Pascal, N. Walton, M. Lefebvre, M. Dionne, L. Lavallée and J. Martin.

Provost Lachemi said that it was a tremendous pleasure for him to present the full Academic Plan to Senate, which is an important milestone in Ryerson's evolution as a comprehensive university, and establishes a blueprint for moving forward and taking the University to the next level. The Provost highlighted some features of the Plan, and

acknowledged the input from people across the University during the extensive consultation process, including the Special Senate meeting held on May 27, 2014.

The motion was unanimously approved, which prompted a round of applause.

7.4 Committee Reports

7.4.1 Report from the Policy 60 (*Student Code of Academic Conduct*) Review Committee: C. Evans and D. Checkland, Co-Chairs

The Secretary introduced the discussion by congratulating the Policy 60 Review Committee for its detailed report to Senate and its ongoing work.

7.4.1.1 For information, a report on the activities of the Policy 60 review committee, including the Supplementary Data Report from the Academic Integrity Office (AIO) for activity in 2012-2013 (see Appendix B)

C. Evans highlighted some features of the Committee's Report and ongoing work.

7.4.1.2 Amendment to include new sections in Policy 60 regarding graduate supervised research activities

Motion #1: *That Senate approve an amendment to Policy 60 (Student Code of Academic Conduct) to include a new section (Section E) entitled "Graduate Supervised Research Activities," as well as a corresponding new section (Section II.C) in the Procedures, both as described in the draft revision, which would come into effect on September 1, 2014*

C. Evans moved; J. Mactavish seconded.

Motion Approved.

7.4.1.3 Amendment to include a new range of minimum penalties for findings of academic misconduct

Motion #2: *That Senate approve an amendment to Policy 60 such that the minimum penalty for academic misconduct on any assignment or other form of evaluation within a course is a grade reduction on the work, including the possibility of a grade of zero, as described in the draft revision, which would come into effect on September 1, 2014*

C. Evans moved; U. Siddiqui seconded

Comments/Questions:

D. Checkland described the amendment in more detail, including that the amount of the grade reduction cannot be appealed by students, which is consistent with the current policy.

M. Dionne asked what kind of direction will be provided to faculty for deciding on the size of a grade reduction, in order to achieve some level of consistency. C. Evans responded that both students and faculty have expressed concerns about a zero on the work as too harsh for a minimum penalty, and that the amendment is designed to address those concerns.

K. Raahemifar asked who will determine the size of the grade reduction in each case, to which C. Evans replied that it is up to the faculty member, as is currently the case, but that a possible revision in the Committee's final report will allow the faculty member the option to have a designated decision-maker make that determination.

J. Root commented on the importance of the education component of the Policy, and acknowledged the input of students on the Committee.

S. Rahkmayil commented that the appeal process provides students with opportunities to challenge academic integrity charges.

M. Dionne also commented that the revised policy was accomplished using a very collaborative and collegial process, added her thanks to the Committee, and agreed with C. Evans that the amendments are good ideas.

Motion Approved.

7.4.1.4 Request to extend the mandate of the Policy 60 Review Committee

Motion #3: *That Senate approve to extend the mandate of the Policy 60 Review Committee to the end of the 2014-2015 Senate session, with a report due by the December 2, 2014 Senate meeting*

C. Evans moved; M. Dionne seconded

Motion Approved.

7.4.2 Report #W2014-4 of the Academic Governance and Policy Committee (AGPC)

7.4.2.1 Report #W2014-1 of the Nominating Committee: G. Hauck

Motion #1: *That Senate approve the nominees for the Academic Governance and Policy Committee (AGPC), the Senate Priorities Committee (SPC), the position of Vice-Chair of Senate, and to fill vacancies as Faculty Senators from the Faculty of Community Services, as presented in this report*

G. Hauck moved; D. Checkland seconded

Motion approved.

The Secretary then announced that Nima Naghibi is now the new Vice Chair of Senate.

7.4.2.2 Recommendation to add another Chang School representative to the Academic Standards Committee: C. Evans

Motion #2: *That Senate approve the addition of one more Chang School representative on the Academic Standards Committee (ASC), for a total of two representatives*

C. Evans moved, J. Rodriguez seconded

Motion approved.

7.4.2.3 Update on the October 2013 Senate meeting request for AGPC to develop policy clarifying the definition of an “Academic Director” by the June 2014 Senate meeting: J. Turtle

Motion #3: *That Senate defer discussion of the definition of an “Academic Director” until the October 2014 Senate meeting*

D. Checkland moved; K. Tucker Scott seconded

Motion approved

7.4.2.4 Update on the January 2013 Senate meeting request for AGPC to develop policy guidelines regarding the creation of new Schools/Departments by the June 2014 Senate meeting: J. Turtle

Motion #4: *That Senate defer discussion of guidelines regarding the creation of new Schools/Departments until the October 2014 Senate meeting*

D. Checkland moved; V. Magness seconded

Motion approved

7.4.3 Report #W2014-5 of the Academic Standards Committee (ASC): C. Evans

7.4.3.1 Four-year overview of ASC activities as an information item for Senate

Presentation of this item was delayed until after Motion #3 below was approved.

7.4.3.2 Periodic Program Review – Bachelor of Health Administration in Health Information Management

Motion #1: *That Senate approve the Periodic Program Review – Bachelor of Health Administration in Health Information Management*

C. Evans moved; A. Lam seconded

Motion approved

7.4.3.3 Changes to Course Sequencing, Titles, Descriptions, and Requisites for the Bachelor of Social Work Program

Motion #2: *That Senate approve changes to the Social Work program as described in the attached document*

C. Evans moved, seconded by L. Lavallée

Motion approved

7.4.3.4 Ted Rogers School of Management Co-Operative Education Proposal

Motion #3: *That Senate approve TRSM's Co-Operative Education Proposal as described in the attached document*

C. Evans moved, S. Murphy seconded

U. Siddiqui commented that co-op programs are much appreciated by students, and applauded TRSM for this addition to its curriculum.

Motion approved

7.4.4 Report #W2014-1 of the Senate Learning and Teaching Committee, for information: C. Evans

8. Old Business

9. New Business as Circulated

10. Members' Business

11. Consent Agenda

11.12008-2013 "Shaping Our Future" Academic Plan Update

(See: http://www.ryerson.ca/senate/agenda/2014/Academic_Plan_Update_June_2014_final.pdf)

11.2 Council of Ontario Universities (COU) Update

(See http://www.ryerson.ca/senate/agenda/2014/COU_Update_as_of_May_23_2014.pdf)

12. Adjournment

President Levy ended the meeting by thanking Senate for its role in a very good year for the University, and wished Senators and their families a very good summer, which prompted a round of applause.

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.