

**SENATE MINUTES OF MEETING  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2015**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

<b>EX-OFFICIO:</b>	<b>FACULTY:</b>		<b>STUDENTS:</b>
J. P. Boudreau	R. Babin	D. Naylor	A. Adeli
M. Bountrogianni	S. Banerjee	A. O'Malley	D. Anderson
I. Coe	D. Checkland	H. Parada	D. Angarita
T. Duever	P. Danziger	R. Ravindran	J. D'Cruz
C. Evans	M. Dionne	D. Rose	Z. Fatima
U. George	S. Dolgoy	A. Sadeghian	D. Hammond
C. Hack	C. Falzon	B. Tan	A. McKnight
G. Hauck	A. Ferworn	K. Tucker Scott	S. Pereira
M. Lachemi	F. Gunn	P. Walsh	M. Rix
H. Lane Vetere	E. Kam	C. Zamaria	J. Root
M. Lefebvre	J. Leshchyshyn	J. Zboralski	A. Shah
S. Levy	J. Martin		D. Tenty
J. Mactavish	V. Magness		M. Yousaf
D. O'Neil Green	D. Mason		J. Zyfi
P. Stenton	A. McWilliams		
J. Winton	R. Meldrum		
S. Zolfaghari	N. Naghibi		
<b>SENATE ASSOCIATES:</b>			
M. Lee Blickstead			
A. M. Brinsmead			
<b>REGRETS:</b>	<b>ABSENT:</b>		<b>ALUMNI:</b>
W. Cukier	R. Botelho		M. Sarkis
A. Goss	G. Farok		
A. Kahan			
J. Lisi			
S. Murphy			
U. Siddiqui			

1. Call to Order/Establishment of Quorum

2. Approval of Agenda

The Secretary noted that the agenda was amended to reflect the deletion of two items: Item 7.4.3.1 and, under Item 7.5.1, the Graduate Program Council bylaws from the Fashion program.

**Motion:** *That Senate approve the amended January 27, 2015 agenda*

V. Magness moved; D. Mason seconded

**Motion Approved.**

3. Announcements - None

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting

**Motion:** *That Senate approve the minutes of the December 2, 2014 meeting*

A. McWilliams moved; M. Bountrogianni 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 welcomed Janice Winton, Interim Vice President, Administration and Finance to Senate.

The President made a short presentation regarding applications to universities by secondary school students in 2015 vs. 2014, which show that Ryerson is doing very well in that area, especially in the category of first-choice applications. He noted that, system-wide, we are going through a demographic decline in the number of secondary school students, which will be a challenge for universities in the next few years but, again, Ryerson is in a strong position compared to many other universities.

The President invited Nancy Walton to update Senate regarding Ryerson's applications for MTCU funding of online courses and modules, seven of which were successful, for a total of about \$372,000 out of about \$5.5 million across the province. She thanked the many people who worked on the applications, including from the Digital Education Strategies Team at the Chang School, the Digital Media Projects office, and the Learning and Teaching Office. She noted that there will be another call for applications in Fall 2015, so that applications that were not successful in this competition will have another chance for funding.

7.2 Achievement Report

### 7.3 Report of the Secretary

#### 7.3.1 Notice of Senate elections for 2015-2016

The Secretary noted that the timeline for Senate elections and the positions available are presented in the agenda package and posted on the Senate website.

### 7.4 Committee Reports

#### 7.4.1 Report #W2015-1 of the Academic Governance and Policy Committee (AGPC)

7.4.1.1 Update on the October 2013 Senate motion for AGPC to develop policy clarifying the eligibility of (Academic) Directors, who are not Directors of a School, to hold faculty positions on Senate: J. Turtle

**Motion:** *That Senate approve that faculty who are Full (vs. Associate) Members of the Ryerson Faculty Association (RFA), including (Academic) Directors who are not Directors of a School, be eligible to serve in faculty positions on Senate for which they are otherwise qualified.*

D. Mason moved; S. Dolgoy seconded

D. Mason noted that the wording might unintentionally bar Directors of a School from serving on Senate; the Secretary noted that that is not the intent and that Directors of Schools have designated positions on Senate.

D. Checkland suggested a wording change to address D. Mason's point; a final version of the motion will be determined and brought to Senate for information.

#### **Motion Approved.**

7.4.1.2 Notice of upcoming review of the following policies, and invitation for expressions of interest to join the review committee(s): J. Turtle

- Undergraduate Appeals (134) and Graduate Appeals (152)
- Undergraduate Course Management (145) and Graduate Course Management (151)
- Examinations (135)

#### 7.4.2 Update from the Policy 60 Review Committee: D. Checkland and C. Evans

D. Checkland stated that the proposed policy revision will be presented to Senate for discussion at either the March or April meeting, and then brought for approval at either the April or May meeting. He described one important new aspect of the proposed policy revision, which is that faculty members would have the option to "hand off" a suspicion of academic misconduct to a member of a group of Designated Decision Makers (DDMs), and that a call for faculty members to express their interest in serving on the group of DDMs will go out in Winter 2015, so that they can be trained and in place for Fall 2015.

M. Dionne congratulated the excellent work of the Policy 60 review committee and suggested that it serve as an example for future policy review committees.

7.4.3 Report #W2015-1 of the Academic Standards Committee (ASC): C. Evans

~~7.4.3.1 Certificate in PreMedicine and Professional Health Career Foundation~~

~~**Motion #1:** That Senate approve the Certificate in PreMedicine and Professional Health Career Foundations~~

**This motion was withdrawn from the agenda.**

7.4.3.2 Bachelor of Arts in Language and Intercultural Relations

**Motion #2:** That Senate approve the Bachelor of Arts in Language and Intercultural Relations

J. P. Boudreau moved; G. Hauck seconded

J. P. Boudreau congratulated all those who contributed to bringing this program to fruition, and noted that, if approved, it would represent the last “service department” at Ryerson to have its own program in place.

**Motion Approved.**

7.4.3.3 Certificate in IBM Mainframe System Z Computing: Discontinuation and Cancellation of Courses

**Motion #3:** That Senate approve the Certificate in IBM Mainframe System Z Computing: Discontinuation and Cancellation of Courses

C. Evans moved; M. Bountrogianni seconded

**Motion Approved.**

7.4.3.4 Certificate in Laboratory Management and Practices: Discontinuation

**Motion #4:** That Senate approve the Certificate in Laboratory Management and Practices: Discontinuation

C. Evans moved; M. Bountrogianni seconded

**Motion Approved.**

7.5 Report of the Yeates School of Graduate Studies (YSGS)

7.5.1 Graduate Program Council (GPC) Bylaws

**Motion:** That Senate approve the following Graduate Program Council (GPC) bylaws:

- Bylaws for eight Graduate Program Councils that have full membership of eligible YSGS members.
  - ~~Fashion~~ (this item removed from the amended agenda)
  - Film and Photographic Preservation
  - Journalism
  - Nutrition Communication
  - Philosophy
  - Policy Studies
  - Public Policy and Administration
  - Spatial Analysis

- Bylaws for three Graduate Program Councils that have opted for a membership that is a subset of the eligible YSGS members.
  - Digital Media
  - Social Work
  - TRSM

J. Mactavish moved; D. Mason seconded.

D. Mason asked about the size of the Digital Media and Social Work GPCs, as well as the Dean of Record for the Digital Media program. J. Mactavish, and H. Parada from the Social Work program, responded to those questions.

M. Dionne asked how the clause regarding a minimum number of members will be implemented in the Digital Media and Social Work GPC bylaws, and suggested that the wording from the TRSM bylaws be used as a guide.

**Motion to Divide:** *That the Digital Media and Social Work bylaws be severed from the list of bylaws contained in this motion.*

M. Dionne moved; A. McWilliams seconded

**Motion Approved.**

Returning to the original motion on the table, now with the GPC bylaws from Digital Media and Social Work removed, M. Dionne proposed a friendly amendment that Article 4.6 in the Nutrition Communication GPC bylaws be deleted because it was apparently included in error, to which no disagreement was expressed. Regarding the GPC bylaws for Film and Photographic Preservation, M. Dionne raised issues regarding Articles 4.4, 4.6 and 6.4, which the Chair interpreted as commentary to be taken under advisement.

**Original motion (with the GPC bylaws from Digital Media and Social Work removed) approved.**

**Motion:** *That the GPC bylaws from Digital Media and Social Work be deferred to a later meeting of Senate.*

D. Mason moved; M. Dionne seconded

**Motion Approved.**

8. Old Business - None

9. New Business as Circulated - None

10. Members' Business

D. Checkland provided Notice of Motion for the next Senate meeting, proposing that the Senate Bylaws be amended to include that "motions in principle" be ruled out of order.

11. Consent Agenda (for information only)

11.1 Minor Changes to the School of Social Work Practicum Hours

11.2 Course changes from:

(See [http://www.ryerson.ca/senate/agenda/2015/Course\\_change\\_forms\\_Jan\\_27\\_2015.pdf](http://www.ryerson.ca/senate/agenda/2015/Course_change_forms_Jan_27_2015.pdf))

**Faculty of Arts** - Language, Literatures and Culture

**Faculty of Communication and Design** - RTA School of Media

**Faculty of Engineering and Architectural Science** - Electrical and Computer  
Engineering

**Faculty of Science** - Chemistry and Biology

12. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:24 p.m.