

RYERSON FACULTY ASSOCIATION

Meeting of Council of Department/School Representatives

Monday, January 15, 2018

International Room, ILC

MINUTES

Guests

Negotiating Committee

Donna Koller
Diane Pirner
Cecile Farnum
Brian Ceh

Present

Kileen Tucker Scott
Peter Danziger
André Foucault
Ron Babin
Habiba Bougherara
Ian Sakinofsky
June Komisar
David Mason
Dan Horner
Eliza Chandler
Cathy Ning
Vadim Geurkov
Charles Zamaria

Angelo Valeo
Colleen Schindler-Lynch
Stephen Swales
Rupa Banerjee
Gerda Cammaer
Marsha Barber
Jamin Pelkey
Sally Wilson
Alison Skyrme
Hamed Mehrabi
Kathleen Wilkie
Corinne Hart
Joey Power

Meredith Schwartz
Alexander Douplik
Eric Hehman
Maureen Reed
Murtaza Haider
Dawn Onishenko
Heather Rollwager
Pavlo Bossy
Jennifer Burwell
Yvonne Yuan
Jonathan Rollins
Mike McGregor

Regrets

Umberto Beraradi
Seyed Hashemi
Chil-Hung Cheng
Joe McPhee
Ruth Frolic
Jeremy Shtern
Tsobadral Galaabaatar

Tor Oiamo
Deborah De Lange
Richard Adams
Dave Kemp
Chris Grandison
Saman Amin
Kaamran Raahemifar

Nadya Burton
Beth Swart
Mitu Sengupta
David Lewis
Nicole Neverson
Lev Kirischian
Lu Zhang

Staff

Agnes Paje

Stacy Stanley

Minutes

1. Order/Establishment of Quorum

Meeting began at 5:21 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda (Hart/Schwartz) - Adopted.

3. Approval of minutes from November 28, 2017 (Mason/Horner) - Adopted.

4. Opening remarks and announcements

- Kileen thanked the RFA Services Committee for all their work on the RFA Holiday Party.
- Please encourage all members to attend the RFA Mandate Meeting on March 1, 2018 in the International Room, ILC from 12-2 p.m. A light lunch will be provided.
- All Reps' Council members are invited to the President's Appreciation Cocktail, to be held on Thursday, March 7, 2018 at the Courtyard by Marriott 475 Yonge Street (Yonge/College) in the Porter Room from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

5. 'From the Floor' – Open Forum

- At the November 28, 2017 meeting, a member requested to have a future discussion on student confidentiality. (What are Professor's responsibilities regarding this matter?) Kileen is in the process of working on having the Director, Compliance and Policy Management and Privacy Officer, Heather Driscoll, attend a future Reps's Council meeting to answer questions regarding this topic.
- The anomalies server crashed and some data was lost. The graphs are still there, however, member responses may have been lost. Peter has been working to fix the issue and hopes to make an announcement later this term to start the anomalies process.

6. Update from the President – Peter Danziger

- Academic Policy Review Committee (APRC)
 - The APRC continues to consider issues related to medical notes. A pilot scheme for submitting medical notes online has been introduced in TRSM. Note that students are still required to submit the paper form at a later date.
 - People with Program Director roles should keep themselves aware of what is happening with the APRC. Every Faculty has an Associate Dean on the committee. Members should share their input with their Associate Dean.
- Policy 118 – SRC Integrity
 - In 2015 the Administration revised policy 118 (SRC Integrity) and pushed it through Senate without consultation. During this process the word "deliberate" was removed. This means that there is now no mention of "intent" in the policy, neither in the definition of misconduct nor in how it is to be dealt with. The tri-council policy also acknowledges that "intent" is an important consideration.
 - The University is now in the process of revising Policy 118 and the RFA wants the word "deliberate" reinstated into the policy.
 - A draft of the policy should be available in the new term.
- Open Electives
 - At the December meeting of Senate the Open Electives Policy was approved. Members should be aware that Ryerson University is now moving to an open electives system.
 - Ryerson University's previous system consisted of Liberal Arts, Professionally Related and Professional. In the new system, Liberal Arts will remain the same,

Professionally Related and Professional will become one and Open Electives will be added.

- Some Faculties are already operating under this system, the remaining Faculties will be phased in over a period of several years.

7. New Business

- Negotiating – Ian Sakinofsky - Chair, Negotiating
 - Kileen thanked the Negotiating Committee for their hard work during the bargaining process.
 - Survey
 - Members were encouraged to respond to Phase I of the RFA Negotiating Survey.
 - A discussion on various issues members would like brought to the bargaining table were discussed. Some issues include:
 - Student to faculty ratio
 - Classroom space
 - Benefits
 - Role of Chairs and Directors (non-managerial academic role)
 - Librarian and Counsellors Issues
 - Members may contact Ian Sakinofsky at isakinof@ryerson.ca with their input or concerns regarding the bargaining process.

6. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

7. Next meeting: **February 13, 2018** in the International Room, ILC from 4:30 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.
Dinner will be served from 4:30 p.m.