

RYERSON FACULTY ASSOCIATION

Meeting of Council of Department/School Representatives

Monday, April 6, 2020

Zoom Video Conference

MINUTES

Present

Peter Danziger (Chair)
Ron Babin
André Foucault
Brain Ceh
Anthony Francescucci
Shiraz Vally
Seyed Hashemi
Carlo Parente
Umberto Berardi
Darko Joksimovic
Alex Ferworn
Jean Tsai
Miranda Campbell
Anna Flaminio
Catherine Beauchemin

Vadim Geurkov
Sarah Bull
Colleen Derkatch
Ann Dulhanty
Anika Kolowski
Chris De Sousa
Tor Oiamo
Evan Cleave
Michael Bergmann
Richard Adams
Joey Power
Annika Hillbrandt
Isabella Pruska-Oldenhof
Dimitrios Latsis
Jacqui Gingras

Abbas Keramati
Marsha Barber
Dana Osborne
Val Lem
Niushan Gao
Wei Xu
Kourosh Zareinia
Sajad Saeedi
Nicole Bennett
Michael Milona
Maureen Reed
Charles Zamaria
Marusya Bociurkiw
Susan Preston

Regrets

Goetz Bramesfeld
Chil-Hung Cheng
Lynda McCarthy
Neil Bruce
Mehrunnisa Ali
Debapriya Sen
Hossein Zolfagharina
Jeffrey McNeil Seymour

Jim Tam
Lorella Di Cintio
Chris MacDonald
Ann Ludbrook
Hamed Mehrabi
Mucahit Cevik
Yvonne Yuan

Lev Kirischian
Zhen Lu
Katie Lebel
Madhi Roghanizad
Tisha Ornstein
David Scofield
Laleh Samarbakhsh

Staff

Stacy Stanley

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1. Order/Establishment of Quorum
Meeting began at 4:10 p.m.
2. Approval of Agenda (Gingris/Osborne)
3. Approval of minutes (Power/Hashemi)
4. Business Arising from the Minutes
 - The RFA General Meeting will be held via Zoom video conference on May 5, 2020 from 12 – 2 p.m.
 - The RFA News Link is available on the RFA's website – www.rfanet.ca
5. Issues related to the COVID-19 emergency at Ryerson University
 - Members discussed various issues due to the COVID-19 virus pandemic.
 - There is no clear direction on this matter from the Administration at this time.
 - It was pointed out that some courses cannot be taught online.
 - There was discussion of the difficulty of teaching due to childcare responsibilities or taking care of elderly family members.
 - There was concerns regarding intellectual property and pedagogical issues.
 - The RFA will be bringing several issues to the Administration including:
 - Tenure window
 - Contract faculty
 - Extension of tenure deadline
 - Extension of faculty course survey
 - Professional development fund
 - Online date teaching schedule
 - Intellectual property
 - Extra cost of working from home
6. Negotiations Update – Brian Ceh
 - B. Ceh gave an update on the Negotiations.
 - The first meeting will be a protocol meeting on April 15, 2020.
 - Updates will be provided throughout bargaining process.
7. Adjournment
Meeting ended at 5:55 p.m.

Next meeting: **TBA**