PRESENT:
Members (ex officio): Seamus Ross


Professional Librarians: Nalini K. Singh, Elisa Sze

Senior Administrative Officers: Andrew Drummond (in the Chair), Audrey Johnson, Robin Kester, Adriana Rossini

Associated Instructor or Sessional Lecturer:

Administrative Staff: Kathy Shyjak

Students:

Doctoral: Chris Young

Masters (MI): Octavio Escalante Menchaca, Hannah Loshak, Laura Chuang, Matthew Gertler, Hilary Barlow

Masters (MMSt): Robyn Bosnyak

Alumni/Alumnae: Kimberly Silk

External Members:

Assessors: Eva Piorkowski

Observers: Percy Lo, Christine Marton, Isidora Petrovic, Kim Pham

Recorder: Areti Vourinaris

REGRETS:

The President of the University of Toronto, Vice-President and Provost, Chief Librarian of the University, Dean of the School of Graduate Studies, Jaime Banks, Christoph Becker, Matthew Brower, Brett Caraway, Amanda Chernawksi, Mark Chignell, Chun Wei Choo, Andrew Clement, Nicole Cohen, Glenn Cumming, Juris Dilevko, Kyra Folk-Farber, Fiorella Foscarini, Karolina Grzeszczuk, Sara Grimes, Dimitrios Hatzinakos, Patrick Keilty, Heather MacNeil, Susan Maltby, Mike McCaffrey, Rhonda McEwen, David Phillips, Samantha Pirmer, George Raine, Matt Ratto, Kathleen Scheaffer, Aviv Shachak, Leslie Shade, Brian Cantwell Smith, Siobhan Stevenson, Lucy Szczesnaik, Anthony Wensley, Lauren Williams
MINUTES

1) Call to order and acceptance of the Agenda

The meeting was called to order at 9:42 a.m., with quorum established. The Chair, Andrew Drummond, welcomed all members to the third regular meeting of the Faculty of Information Council for 2013-14.

2) Approval of the Minutes from November 22, 2013

A motion to accept the minutes of the meeting was made and CARRIED.

3) Business Arising from the Minutes

None

4) Dean’s report:

The Dean reported on the following issues:

- In the spirit of Valentine’s Day; a reference to Phyllis Loves Kelly [Gotlieb] e-book available via UTL, was made available to all members.
- Update on the official name change of the Interactive Digital Program; the full UTQAP name appears as follows: “Combined Honours Bachelor of Arts (Major in Communication, Culture, Information and Technology; Specialist in Interactive Digital Media; Specialist in Digital Enterprise Management), UTM/Master of Information.”
- A note of thanks to all who participated in the External Review of the Faculty as part of the University of Toronto Quality Assurance Process (UTQAP).
- Congratulations to Dr. Jennifer Douglas on having been awarded the 2014 iSchools Doctoral Dissertation Award for her doctoral thesis, "Archiving Authors: Rethinking the Analysis and Representation of Personal Archives." (Dr. Heather MacNeil, Supervisor). Dr. Douglas stood out from 17 dissertations from member iSchools considered for the award.

5) Council Committees’ reports

a) Executive Committee

No report.

b) Standing Committees

i) Admissions and Recruitment

- Master’s
  Prof. Alan Galey submitted the report (attached to the original of these minutes).

  There was some discussion.

- Doctoral
  No report.

ii) Awards

Adriana Rossini submitted the report (attached to the original of these minutes).
iii) Committee on Standing

Prof. Lynne Howarth submitted the report (attached to the original of these minutes).

iv) Programs

No report.

v) Information Services

Prof. Kelly Lyons submitted the report (attached to the original of these minutes).

Professor Duff asked about the status of the move of materials from the fifth floor. Ms Sze provided an update on books that had not circulated from 2008. She noted that, during the move, the staff would request that the clientele have patience with the process.

There was some discussion. Members discussed the IS Committee’s deliberations on how to locate funding for the position of Director of Information Services, especially given the Faculty’s budgetary situation.

c) Special

i) Life and Times

Prof. Jenna Hartel submitted the report (attached to the original of these minutes).

6) Reports from Institutes

a) Coach House Institute

No written report. Prof. Dominique Scheffel-Dunand gave a brief oral report on the 50th year celebrations of the Coach House Institute and related activities.

There was some discussion.

b) Digital Curation Institute

Prof. Christoph Becker submitted the report (attached to the original of these minutes).

There was some discussion.

c) Identity, Privacy and Security Institute

No report.

d) iSchool Institute

Eva Piorkowski submitted the report (attached to the original of these minutes).

There was some discussion. Some members noted concern that the arrangement with the School of Continuing Studies to offer what were currently iSchool Institute courses had not been communicated broadly and that many in the community were upset at the lack of clarity and communication about what was happening. The Dean noted that the Faculty and the School were finalizing a communications strategy and that it would be inappropriate to have only one party to the agreement publicize the move.
Professor Lyons noted that the IS Committee’s subcommittee on the locating funding for a Director had hoped that one source of the funding necessary to hire a Director might come from the funds resulting from the recent partnership between the Faculty and the School of Continuing Studies on continuing education. The Dean agreed that revenue from the arrangement would be directed to Information Services needs, most particularly that of a Director.

Ms. Silk noted that several members of her (alumni) constituency had approached her concerned that the Faculty was abandoning the area of continuing education. The Dean noted that the agreement with the School of Continuing Studies had been modelled off a similar arrangement used by the School and the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering, which called for an Advisory Committee that helped direct and evolve the Faculty’s offerings in cooperation with the School, and that such an Advisory Committee would be struck.

Ms. Silk asked what the status of the iSchool Institute was, now that it would not be offering programming directly. The Dean noted that the Faculty retained the offering of the Public Library Leadership program. The Chair noted that the Faculty Council had established the Institute as an Extra-Departmental Unit (type C), and that the Institute would continue to exist formally within the Faculty unless Council chose to disestablish it.

The Dean thanked the three members of the iSchool Institute staff for their efforts.

e) Knowledge Media Design Institute

No report.

7) Other reports

a) Careers

Isidora Petrovic submitted the report (attached to the original of these minutes).

b) Communications and Alumni Relations

No report.

c) Development and Advancement Initiatives

Audrey Johnson and Robin Kester submitted the report (attached to the original of these minutes).

d) iSchool Students

i) MI

No written report. Octavio Escalante Menchaca gave a brief oral report.

There was some discussion.

ii) MMSt

Robyn Bosnyak submitted the report (attached to the original of these minutes).

iii) Ph.D.

Chris Young submitted the report (attached to the original of these minutes).

e) iSchool Alumni
i) MI and Ph.D.
ii) MMSt

No written report. Kim Silk gave a brief oral report.

8) Other business

The Dean and Professor Wendy Duff gave a brief update on the progress having been made to date on co-op program planning.

9) Academic Board report

Prof. Wendy Duff gave a brief oral report and noted that Prof. David Phillips would be the new representative as of July 1, 2014.

10) Question period

None

11) Announcements

The Dean thanked Audrey Johnson, who was attending her last Council meeting, on having served as a member of Council for the previous year.

12) Other Business

None

13) Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:28 a.m.