I am unable to attend Faculty Council today as it coincides with a Conference presentation I am giving in Vancouver. I am thankful to Lari Langford for representing ISC at Council.

Since the ISC made its recommendation to Faculty Council to dissolve ISC as a Committee of Council, we have not met. One meeting was cancelled due to a number of absences from members; another was cancelled by the Dean to enable participation in a Faculty retreat. I appreciate this has created some challenges for the Student Councils, given the election cycle. I appreciate their flexibility and patience as the Faculty moves forward, and trust that the Fall election cycle can help align student council structures with Faculty Council structures.

In many ways, ISC is awaiting to hear the decision of Faculty Council at the March 30th meeting so the Committee knows how best to proceed.

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As Chair of the Renovation Committees, reporting through ISC, I can also update Council on the “iReno 2016.” The renovation project is currently out for tender, and we will learn the results of bidding on March 29th, 2016. The successful contractor will begin April 15th.

I would like to thank Kathleen O’Brien for her efforts to develop a communications strategy for the iReno. This is to help with a co-ordinated effort, to maximize consistency and clarity of information. There is now an iReno website with periodic updates, FAQs, and key information: http://current.ischool.utoronto.ca/node/17514

**Key dates**: April 1st: last day to access Inforum resources within the Inforum itself. Materials and people will be moved to Robarts over the weekend of April 2/3, so services can resume on Monday April 4th.

Careers Officer, Isidora Petrovic, will be relocating to Room 616 for the duration of the Renovation.

April 7th: end-of-term iTea, the “Possibil-i-Tea” in our vacant Inforum!

April 18th: Demolition likely to begin (it will be loud in the building).

Other important information: Access to the 7th floor, including the Student Lounge, will be maintained throughout the Renovation. One elevator will need to be dedicated to the workers; the other elevator will be available for iSchool use. The iSchool’s Convocation Reception will be held in Desautels Hall, Rotman Business School.

I would also like to thank Glenn Cumming, Lari Langford, and Glen Menzies for the hours, hours, and more hours, spent with plans, architects, designers, consultants.

Respectfully submitted,
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