

**EDUCATION COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON**  
**Tuesday, April 23, 2019**  
**13:00 Room B141**

**Attendees:**

Antonella Alves	Laura Cullen	Ajay Patel
Darren Bernaerdt	Nora Franzova	Wanda Pierson
Jim Bowers	Ishant Goyal	Lyndon Salas
Sarah Bowers (Vice-Chair)	Purunika Goyal	Navjot Singh
Steven Brouse (a)	Margaret Heldman (a)	Jan Smith* (a)
Ryan Cawsey (Chair)	Ramandeep Kaur	Lindsay Tiemer*
Patricia Cia	Gerda Krause	Lane Trotter*
Arnie Clark* (a)	Tess MacMillan	Ryan Vernon
		Lulin Zheng*

**Regrets:** Margaret Heldman

**Minutes:** Susan Smith

**Guests:** Ben Cecil, Marianne Gianacopoulos

\*non-voting  
(a) absent

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

R Cawsey called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m. upon declaration of a quorum.

**2. MUSQUEAM LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

R Cawsey acknowledged the meeting's location on the unceded traditional territory of the Musqueam First Nation, who have given Langara College the name snəwəyəł̓ leləm̓, *house of teachings*.

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**IT WAS MOVED** by G Krause, seconded by P Cia, that the agenda be approved.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**IT WAS MOVED** by S Bowers, seconded by R Vernon, that the minutes of the meeting of March 19, 2019 be approved as amended.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**5. CURRICULUM**

**A) PSYCHOLOGY**

**a) New Course**

**i) PSYC 2327 – The Psychology of Human Animal Relationships**

This course explores what psychological science has discovered about animal consciousness, cognition, language, intelligence, emotion, motivation, and morality, as well as the rights of animals and their relationships with humans. L Cullen noted that the Psychology department will offer this course in semesters that alternate with an existing Sociology course in human-animal relations.

**IT WAS MOVED** by L Cullen, seconded by L Salas, that the new course *PSYC 2327 – The Psychology of Human Animal Relationships* be approved by Education Council.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**B) GEOGRAPHY**

**a) Course Changes**

i) GEOG 2155 – Resource and Environmental Management

The proposal would update the calendar description and change the course title to *Sustainable Resource and Environmental Management* to reflect the evolved content of the course. The proposal also adds ENVS 2100 to the list of potential prerequisites.

**IT WAS MOVED** by L Cullen, seconded by A Alves, that the proposal to update the calendar description, change the course title to *Sustainable Resource and Environmental Management*, and update the list of prerequisites in *GEOG 2155 – Resource and Environmental Management* be approved by Education Council.

**MOTION CARRIED**

ii) GEOG 2275 – Applied Human Geography

The original intention of the course was to work exclusively with Vancouver’s CityStudio, however the department wishes to expand opportunities for students. This proposal would revise the calendar description to clarify that students will work on projects with a social sustainability focus that may be connected to CityStudio or other community partners. The proposal also revises the prerequisite statement so that GEOG 1130 is no longer a required course, but can be taken as one of a list of prerequisite options in the subjects of Human Geography, Sociology and Environmental Studies.

**IT WAS MOVED** by L Cullen, seconded by I Goyal that the proposal to revise the calendar description and prerequisites in *GEOG 2275 – Applied Human Geography* be approved by Education Council.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**6. FOR INFORMATION**

a) Education Council elections/membership

R Cawsey provided an update on the election results for faculty members, and noted that elections for the two staff positions will be concluded by April 30. Three academic administrators have been appointed by the President and the fourth will be announced shortly. All terms are for two years, effective May 1, 2019.

The election process for Chair and Vice Chair will begin on May 1, 2019.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

**IT WAS MOVED** by G Krause that the meeting be adjourned.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:13 pm.