

EDUCATION COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
Tuesday, September 16, 2008

Membership:

Antonella Alves
Fraser Archibald (a)
Linda Arnold
Noel Currie
Laura Cullen (Chair)
Martin Gerson
Margaret Heldman

Linda Holmes (a)
Gerda Krause
Wendy Low (Vice-Chair)
Peter Norwood (a)
Kevin Paul
Ken Pawlak

Brian Pendleton
Lisa Randell (a)
Roger Semmens
Joyce Wong

Student Representatives:

Kiet (Keith) Van (a)

Notes:

Susan Smith

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1307 hours upon declaration of a quorum.

2. WELCOME

L. Cullen noted K. Van is a new student representative on Education Council.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION:

That the agenda be approved.

Moved by W. Low /Seconded by M. Gerson
CARRIED

4. APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

MOTION:

That the minutes of the Education Council meeting held June 10, 2008 be approved as circulated.

Moved by R. Semmens/Seconded by B. Pendleton
CARRIED

5. CURRICULUM

A) FINE ARTS

a) **Program Revision**

i) Fine Arts Diploma

This revision will make AHIS and ENGL requirements more clear to students. Students have a variety of options for completing a Fine Arts Diploma, but students intending to complete a BFA need to check with the institution to which they wish to transfer to determine that institution's AHIS and ENGL requirements.

MOTION:

That the revision to the *Fine Arts Diploma* program be approved as recommended.

Moved by K. Pawlak/Seconded by R. Semmens
CARRIED

B) FILM ARTS

a) **New Course Proposal**

i) FLMA 1200 – Art of the Short Film

This new course will be offered effective 200910, as a complement to FLMA 1100 - Introduction to Film Production, and is open to all students wishing to enter the Film Arts Certificate program.

MOTION:

That the new course *FLMA 1200 – Art of the Short Film* be approved as recommended.

Moved by K. Pawlak/Seconded by G. Krause
CARRIED

C) ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

a) **New Program Proposal**

- i) Environmental Studies Citation

The department has created the Environmental Studies Citation in response to a growing awareness of environmental issues and an increase in the number of related programs, and will help to raise awareness of Environmental Studies at Langara College. The citation is designed for students who have completed a number of courses relating to environmental issues while pursuing a diploma, associate degree, or degree in another subject area.

MOTION:

That the *Environmental Studies Citation* program be approved as recommended.

Moved by R. Semmens/Seconded by W. Low
CARRIED

D) WOMEN'S STUDIES

a) **New Course Proposal**

- i) WMST 1230 - Women & Popular Culture

This course examines women's multiple relationships to contemporary popular culture, and will broaden the array of core courses and specific topic courses in the Women's Studies Program. With a number of other local post-secondary institutions offering popular culture courses in women's studies, this course will provide an alternative for students wishing to study at Langara, and as a university transfer course. *WMST 1230 – Women & Popular Culture* will be offered beginning January 2009.

b) **Program Revision**

- i) Women's Studies

The revision to the *Women's Studies Program* will add the new course *WMST 1230 – Women & Popular Culture* to the list of courses for the Associate of Arts Degree (Area of Concentration Women's Studies) and the Arts and Science (Women's Studies) Diploma.

MOTION:

That the new course *WMST 1230 – Women & Popular Culture* and the corresponding revision to the Women's Studies program be approved as recommended.

Moved by R. Semmens/Seconded by G. Krause
CARRIED

E) HISTORY/POLITICAL SCIENCE/LATIN

a) **New Course Proposal**

- i) HIST 2246 – Contemporary Canada: Change & Conflict since 1945

The History department has proposed this course in response to an increasing demand for a more contemporary focus in Canadian history. *HIST 2246* will appeal to a variety of students who want an in depth analysis of the last two generations of Canadian experience.

MOTION:

That the new course *HIST 2246 – Contemporary Canada: Change & Conflict since 1945* be approved as recommended.

Moved by B. Pendleton/Seconded by R. Semmens
CARRIED

- ii) POLI 2265 – Surveillance & Terror: The Policies of Totalitarianism

This course will introduce students to the main features of totalitarian forms of government as articulated in political theory. The course will provide additional depth to the Political Science Department's course offerings, and will encourage retention of second year students.

MOTION:

That the new course *POLI 2265 – Surveillance & Terror: The Policies of Totalitarianism* be approved as recommended.

Moved by B. Pendleton/Seconded by K. Paul
CARRIED

F) NURSING

a) Program Revision

- i) Nursing Transition Program
- ii) Bachelor of Science in Nursing

These program revisions were presented together as both changes involve a clarification of the language regarding the CPR admission requirement, effective 200910. Current students and applicants will be informed of the change.

MOTION:

That the revisions to the *Nursing Transition Program* and the *Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program* be approved as recommended.

Moved by W. Low/Seconded by K. Pawlak
CARRIED

L. Cullen turned the chair over to W. Low.

G) RECREATION

a) Course Description Change

- i) RECR 1160 - Foundations of Leisure and Recreation

The Recreation Department recommends deleting the last line in the existing calendar description: "*The course also introduces current issues in the field.*"

MOTION:

That the course description for *RECR 1160 - Foundations of Leisure and Recreation* be revised as recommended.

Moved by L. Cullen /Seconded by K. Pawlak
CARRIED

H) BACHELOR OF RECREATION MANAGEMENT (BRM)

a) New Course Proposal

- i) RECR 3120 – Promoting Wellness with Communities
- ii) RECR 3160 – Leisure Theory & Applications
- iii) RECR 3200 – Management of Community Events & Festivals
- iv) RECR 3230 – Leadership & Management in Community Recreation
- v) RECR 3260- Managing Cultural Programming in the Community
- vi) RECR 4150 – Community Recreation Systems
- vii) RECR 4160 – Professionalism in Recreation Management
- viii) RECR 4270 – Management of Recreation Facility Systems
- ix) RECR 4300 – Applied Major Project in Recreation
- x) LIBR 3210 – Online Research & Analysis

New courses were developed as part of the proposed curriculum for the Bachelor of Recreation Management program, and have been reviewed favorably by the Degree Quality Assessment Board panel. The Library course was developed specifically to support the degree proposal. All courses will be delivered 100% online.

MOTION:

That the new courses *RECR 3120, RECR 3160, RECR 3200, RECR 3230, RECR 3260, RECR 4150, RECR 4160, RECR 4270, RECR 4300 and LIBR 3210* be approved.

Moved by L. Cullen/Seconded by M. Gerson
CARRIED

b) New Program Proposal

- i) Bachelor of Recreation Management

The BRM is a third-year entry degree completion program (DCP) for students who have a recreation diploma or the equivalent in academic and work experience. Support courses, many of which have multiple sections, may be taken online or in the classroom, which will allow for options for students.

MOTION:

That the new program *Bachelor of Recreation Management* be approved as presented.

Moved by L. Cullen/Seconded by K. Paul
CARRIED

W. Low returned the chair to L. Cullen.

- l) CSIS

a) Course Description Change

- i) CPSC 2191 – Discrete Structures II

The updated course description will better reflect actual topics covered. This change is expected to improved transferability to SFU.

MOTION:

That the revised course description for *CPSC 2191 – Discrete Structures II* be approved as recommended.

Moved by M. Heldman/Seconded by G. Krause
CARRIED

b) Prerequisite Change

- i) CPSC 1050 – Introduction to Computer Science

The Computing Science department recommends removing all existing prerequisites for CPSC 1050. It is not necessary for students to have a strong background in mathematics or computer science to take this course.

MOTION:

That the prerequisite change for CPSC 1050 – Introduction to Computer Science be approved as recommended.

Moved by M. Heldman/Seconded by G. Krause
CARRIED

6. OTHER BUSINESS

- A) English 12 First Peoples

The Ministry of Advanced Education has proposed a course, “English 12 First Peoples” as an alternative to English 12 for college entry. While the curriculum and delivery are different from the standard English 12, the learning outcomes are equal, and the course has been approved by the English Department. The Deans and Division Chairs Committee has recommended that Education Council accept this course as an alternate pathway into the College.

MOTION:

That Education Council approve *English 12 First Peoples* as recommended.

Moved by R. Semmens/Seconded by N. Currie
CARRIED

7. INFORMATION ITEM

- A) CONTINUING STUDIES
- a) Certificate Program Revision**
 - i) Public Relations Certificate
 - ii) Expressive Arts Therapy Training

L. Cullen acknowledged receipt by Education Council of the above two items.

B) Policy Revisions

- i) Credentials Policy
- ii) Examination Policy

L. Cullen noted that some editorial changes were made to these two policies, which were approved by Education Council in March and April, 2008. The updated versions have been included in the current agenda package.

C) Ministry of Advanced Education

A letter from Minister of Advanced Education M. Coell to the College Board and a document entitled *Government Letter of Expectations Between the Minister of Advanced Education (as Representative of the Government of British Columbia) and The Chair of the Langara College*, which is described as “an agreement of the accountabilities, roles and responsibilities of both parties” and “..articulates the performance expectations and strategic priorities, and is the basis for the Institution’s Accountability Plan and Report to Government,” were presented. Particular attention was drawn to Item 3.1 *Alignment with Government Priority Initiatives*.

7. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

That the meeting be adjourned.

**Moved by R. Semmens
CARRIED**

The meeting was adjourned at 13:53 hours.

The next meeting of Education Council will be held on Tuesday, October 14, 2008.