



MINUTES OF MEETING OF EDUCATION COUNCIL
HELD MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2022 AT 9:00 AM
VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM

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| Members Present: | Regrets: |
| Bartel Sawatzky, Melissa | Denton, Kathy (<i>Ex-officio</i>) |
| Borgford, Thor | Kaur, Arveen (<i>Ex-officio</i>) |
| Bowbrick, Graeme (Chair) | Kinsley, John |
| Cavanagh, Bette (Recorder) | Ramkumar, Amrita |
| Cragg, Carys | Rodriguez, Miguel |
| Dench, Sarah | |
| Dobre, Alexandra | Guests: |
| Domasig, Danna | Chiong, Stephen |
| Fraser, Morna | |
| Gronsdahl, Karla | |
| Hall, Nathan | |
| Mennill, Sally (Vice Chair) | |
| Millis, Len | |
| Ng, Rella (<i>Ex-officio</i>) | Observers: |
| Nguyen, Regina | N/A |
| Rana, Ruhina | |
| Schechter, Sam | |
| Sullivan, Tyler | |
| Williams, Justin | |

1. TRADITIONAL TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Chair acknowledged that the campuses of Douglas College are located on the traditional and unceded territories of the QayQayt First Nation and the Kwikwetlem First Nation, as well as other Coast Salish Peoples.

2. ROLL CALL

The Chair conveyed meeting regrets from K. Denton, A. Kaur, J. Kinsley, A. Ramkumar and M. Rodriguez.

3. AGENDA

The Chair confirmed that Council members had reviewed the agenda as distributed on February 4, 2022.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

4.1 The Minutes of January 17, 2022 were approved.

5. NEW BUSINESS (Notice of Motion) Items for Council Approval

5.1 No items.

6. NEW BUSINESS (Notice of Motion) – Items for Council Advice to the Board

6.1 Policy Items

S. Dench spoke to the proposed changes to the College/School District Relationship Policy.

a) College/School District Relationship Policy changes include:

- revised policy name: Secondary Dual Credit & Concurrent Studies Policy
- removal of outdated content: the ACE IT program is no longer in place
- removal of conflicting policy: registration priority is determined under other College policies.

Discussion ensued regarding the concurrent studies language which allows for students to begin earning credits while still in Grade 12 (or in their final year). C. Cragg will connect with S. Dench and S. Schechter after checking with her FACS coordinators who have existing school district partnerships to ensure existing partnerships will not be disrupted.

ACTION: Please refer this item to your constituency groups for consideration of approval at the March 14, 2022 meeting.

6.2 Budget Newsletter 2022/23

The Chair referred to the 2022/23 Budget Newsletter and Council's mandate to formulate budget advice to the College Board. No written feedback was submitted from Faculty Education Committees.

Several faculty representatives on Education Council expressed their view that student accommodation requests have increased significantly and have created additional workload for teaching faculty. They also stated that they had received some feedback that more funding for accessibility services would be desirable. Discussion ensued.

It was noted for Council that the 2022/23 Budget proposes the hiring of one additional Adaptive Technology Coordinator who will be in place early and trained this semester for support during the final exam period. It was also noted that new provincial Accessibility legislation will shift focus to universal designs for learning.



ACTION:

The Chair will summarize the feedback received by the Education Council and forward this advice to the Senior Management Team (SMT) and the College Board.

7. FINAL DECISION (Motion to Approve) – Items for Council Approval

7.1 Curriculum Items

a) Curriculum Committee Recommendations

L. Millis spoke to the Curriculum Committee’s submission and review and approval of 15 revised curriculum guidelines and 2 withdrawn curriculum guidelines.

There being no further discussion,

There was unanimous consent to Short-cycle the proposed Motion.

MOVED by A. Dobre; SECONDED by D. Domasig, THAT Education Council approve the submitted revised guidelines for: STGE 2306, STGE 1106; CHEM 2400, MATH 1125, MATH 1225, MATH 2440; VTEC 1201, VTEC 1202, VTEC 1203, VTEC 1204, VTEC 1205, VTEC 2107, VTEC 2108, VTEC 2109, VTEC 2110 and the withdrawn guidelines: BIOL 4103 and BIOL 4106

The Motion was CARRIED.

8. DECISION (Motion to Approve) Items for Council Advice to the Board

8.1 Program Revision: Diploma in Computing Studies and Information Systems

The Chair welcomed guest S. Chiong. No comments or questions arose.

There being no further discussion,

MOVED by S. Schechter; SECONDED by R. Rana, THAT Education Council approve the Program Revision: Diploma in Computing Studies and Information Systems effective September 2022.

The Motion was CARRIED.

9. INFORMATION ITEMS

9.1 Programs Committee

The Chair referred to the reports in the agenda package. No questions or comments arose.



10. REPORTS

10.1 Report from the Chair

The Chair referred to his written reports included in the agenda package.

10.2 Report from the President

No report.

10.3 Report from the Vice President, Academic & Provost

T. Borgford spoke about the College's recent participation in a virtual town hall meeting with other post-secondary institutions and representatives from the Provincial Health Office (PHO). The PHO continues to reiterate the importance of in-person education and that post-secondary settings are relatively safe environments with high vaccination rates and low transmission rates.

10.4 Report from the Board Liaison

No report.

10.5 Report from the Secretary

The Secretary advised that the College Board approved Education Council's recommendations to establish and withdraw the credentials as set out on the agenda.

11. NEXT MEETING

Monday, March 14, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. Via Zoom.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:26 a.m.

Chair

Secretary