

**Okanagan College Education Council
Minutes of Thursday, February 2, 2023 4:30 pm
S 103B – Student Services Boardroom – Kelowna Campus & Zoom**

Present: J Garrett, W Gillett, D Marques, D Mehus, B Penfound, R Tyner, B Burge, R Dupuis, N Fassina, L Mallory, (Zoom): A Alexander, A Hay, B Hall, A Krebs, S Chhabra, M Martin, T Walters

Regrets: S Lembke, M Somerville, J Ragsdale

Absent: C Wallace

Guests: K Ashman, Y Moritz (Zoom): E Henczel,

Recorder: S Gayle

1. Determination of quorum and call to order

D Marques called the meeting to order at 4:33 pm.

- D Marques welcomed the new Indigenous Advisor, R Dupuis.

2. Adoption of the agenda

Motion: R Tyner/J Garrett

That Education Council approves the agenda as presented.

Carried

3. Deferral of the minutes

Motion: D Mehus/B Penfound

That Education Council defers the minutes of the December 1, 2022 Education Council meeting as presented.

- D Marques provided the committee with an explanation for the deferral and noted that the minutes will be presented to the committee once the network issues are resolved.

Carried

4. Business arising

5. New business

5.1 Curriculum recommended by the CPRC – AFP

a. Course revision: CMNS 265 Environmental Communications

Motion: D Mehus/R Tyner

That Education Council approves the course revision: CMNS 265 Environmental Communications as recommended by the CPRC - AFP:

- E Henczel provided an overview of the course noting that the revision was a change to the prerequisite section to reflect the following: 3 CMNS credits or 3 ENGL credits or second-year standing.

Carried

b. New course: LSIN 038 Social and Community Engagement

Motion: J Garrett/A Krebs

That Education Council approves the new course: LSIN 038 Social and Community Engagement as recommended by the CPRC - AFP:

- K Ashman provided an overview of the course noting that it was created to help students feel a sense of belonging while gaining social skills.
- J Garrett sought clarification on the two contact hours options (74 or 110 hours) provided in the course outline.
- K Ashman explained that all courses had that option and allowed flexibility in relation to how the course is offered.
- D Mehus asked whether the course was provincially funded.
- K Ashman confirmed that this was the case.

Carried

5.2 Learning Framework Project

- Y Moritz provided an overview of the Learning Framework Project informing members that:
 - The project supports the Strategic Plan.
 - Currently, there are four (4) pillars of the Learning Framework, which are being revised.
 - Additional consultation and revisions will be completed.
 - An updated version will be presented to Education Council.
- W Gillett added that the project is a long view approach aimed at presenting what the College will look like moving forward.

5.3 Graduation Procedure Discussion

- A Hay provided an overview to the committee noting that there would be a change to the wording/language for convocation going forward.
- The language change would allow participation from recent and soon to be graduates. This would allow the inclusion of students whose programs would end after the convocation date.
- J Garrett sought clarification on the gender specific language that was presented.
- A Hay outlined that the current wording was an example and would be amended accordingly.
- D Mehus sought clarification on whether there were multiple convocation ceremonies across BC institutions.
- A Hay confirmed that this was the case and not unusual.

5.4 Standing committee reports

- a. Operations Committee
 - Minutes to come in camera.
- b. ARP Committee
 - Not met.
- c. CCC Committee
 - Not met.
- d. Tributes Committee
 - Met on January 13, 2023 – Report to come in camera.

6. Reports

6.1 Council Chair's report – D Marques

- D Marques outlined the following for committee members:
 - Reiterated the current network issues and apologized for the disruption to Kuali, but noted that EdCo and proposals are still progressing.
 - A meeting is being planned for the Curriculum Criteria and Calendar Committee to discuss and review credits.
- D Marques asked members about the current meeting hybrid model and whether there were any concerns.
- There was a subsequent discussion regarding the meeting model, which members agreed to retain to ensure inclusivity.

6.2 VP Academic and Provost report – A Hay

- A Hay informed the committee that several programs have completed the thirty (30) days posting period on the Post-Secondary Institution Proposal System (PSIPS).
- Responses will be provided for any comments outlined to complete the process.

6.3 Registrar's report – B Burge

- Nothing to report.

6.4 Board of Governor's report – A Alexander

- Although there was no formal report, A Alexander thanked N Fassina and the OC team and expressed appreciation for all the work being done.

7. In camera session

Motion: D Mehus/J Garrett

That Education Council moves in camera.

Carried

a. January 19, 2023 Operations Committee minutes

Motion: L Mallory/B Penfound

That Education Council accepts the January 19, 2023 Operations committee meeting minutes as presented.

Carried

b. Tributes Presentation

Motion: D Mehus/J Garrett

That Education Council defers the presentation of nominees for the 2023 Honorary Fellow designation until March 2, 2023.

Motion dissolved with required number of votes

Motion: J Garrett/R Tyner

That Education Council approves and recommends to the Board of Governors, the nominees for the 2023 Honorary Fellow designation as presented.

Carried

Motion: D Mehus/B Penfound

That Education Council approves and recommends the nominee for the 2023 Distinguished Service Award designation as presented.

Carried

Motion: J Garrett/D Mehus
That Education Council moves out of camera.
Carried

Action Item: Education Council requested that the Terms of Reference for the Tributes committee be reviewed.

8. **Date, time of next regular meeting** – Thursday, March 2, 2023 at 4:00 pm.
9. **Deadline for agenda items** – Wednesday, February 15, 2023 at 12:00 pm.
10. **Adjournment** at 6:20 pm
Motion to adjourn: D Mehus/J Garrett
Carried