

EDUCATION COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON Tuesday, January 23, 2018 13:00 Room B141

Attendees:

Antonella Alves	Gurleen Kaur (a)	Roger Semmens
Jim Bowers	Tarunpreet Kaur (a)	Gurlal Singh (a)
Sarah Bowers (Vice-Chair) (a)	Gerda Krause (Chair)	Ishpreet Singh (a)
Patricia Cia	Tess MacMillan	Jan Smith* (a)
Arnie Clark*	Robin Macqueen	Tomo Tanaka
Laura Cullen	Ajay Patel (a)	Lane Trotter*
Margaret Heldman	Lyndon Salas	Ryan Vernon
Ian Humphreys		Lulin Zheng*

Regrets: S Bowers, A Patel, J Smith

Minutes: Susan Smith

Guest: Maggie Ross

*non-voting
(a) absent

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. MUSQUEAM LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

G Krause acknowledged the meeting's location on the unceded traditional territory of the Musqueam First Nation, who have given Langara College the name *snəwəyət̓ lələm*, *house of teachings*.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

IT WAS MOVED by L Cullen, seconded by P Cia, that the agenda be approved.

MOTION CARRIED

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

IT WAS MOVED by R Macqueen, seconded by T Tanaka, that the minutes of the Education Council meeting held December 19, 2017 be approved.

MOTION CARRIED

5. POLICY/PROCEDURE

G Krause introduced Maggie Ross, Director Student Conduct & Judicial Affairs.

- a) **Policy E1003 – Student Code of Conduct**
- b) **Policy E1003 – Student Code of Conduct Appeals Procedures**

M Ross presented the policy E1003 and associated procedures, noting that amendments include references to fraud, sexual misconduct, smoking and use of controlled substances on campus. While the procedures are within the purview of Education

Council, the policy is set by Langara Council, and had been approved conditional upon Education Council's endorsement of the procedures.

Students have a right to appeal decisions regarding suspension or other sanctions. The amended procedures clarify the grounds on which a student may apply for an appeal based on the bylaws adopted by the Board of Governors.

IT WAS MOVED by R Semmens, seconded by L Cullen, that the *Student Code of Conduct Appeals Procedures* be approved in principle by Education Council.

MOTION CARRIED

c) Guidelines for Accommodation of Religious and Spiritual Practices

The guidelines have been revised in response to a number of questions and challenges that have arisen with the changing demographics of Langara's student population, and to provide greater clarity and advice for both faculty and students.

During discussion there were suggestions from Council members for sharing this information more broadly, such as through workshops, Leaders Toolkit and Employee Handbook, as well as to increase awareness for students.

IT WAS MOVED by L Cullen, seconded by P Cia, that the revised *Guidelines for Accommodation of Religious and Spiritual Practices* be received for information.

MOTION CARRIED

6. CURRICULUM

A) LIBRARY & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

a) Course change

i) LIBR 1118 – Techniques I

The proposal would change the course title to the more descriptive *Introduction to Cataloguing* and update the calendar description to provide the student with better information about the contents of the course.

IT WAS MOVED by J Bowers, seconded by L Cullen, that the proposal to revise the calendar description and to change the course title of *LIBR 1118 – Techniques I* to *Introduction to Cataloguing* be approved by Education Council.

MOTION CARRIED

7. OTHER BUSINESS

a) Academic Dates Spring 2019-Fall 2020

A Clark presented the proposed academic dates.

IT WAS MOVED by M Heldman, seconded by L Cullen, that the academic dates for Spring 2019 to Fall 2020 be approved as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

b) Call for ad hoc committee – Education Council membership

G Krause explained that Langara’s changing academic structure may have implications for the composition of Education Council, as defined by its Bylaws in accordance with Section 15 of the *College and Institutes Act (1996)*. The Vice-Chair has requested the formation of a task force to explore options and provide a recommendation to Council.

The following members volunteered to participate, along with the Vice Chair (S Bowers), who will organize a first meeting.

- L Cullen
- M Heldman
- T MacMillan
- P Cia

8. FOR INFORMATION

a) EdCo by-elections

G Krause noted that two student representative terms will end after the next meeting, and that the resignation of R Klein has resulted in a vacant seat on Council. By-elections will take place as follows:

- i) 2 student reps March 2018-February 2019
- ii) 1 staff representative remainder of term to April 2019

Call for Nominations: January 19, 2018 - January 25, 2018

Campaigning: January 26, 2018 - February 1, 2018

Voting: February 2, 2018 - February 8, 2018

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:35 p.m.