

**EDUCATION COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON  
Tuesday, November 18, 2003 in Room B201**

**Membership:**

Antonella Alves  
Linda Arnold  
Eric Ball  
Lynn Carter (a)  
Laura Cullen  
Martin Gerson (Vice Chair)

Linda Holmes (a)  
Marg Heldman  
Terry Kornutiak  
Gerda Krause  
Verna Magee-Shepherd  
Judith Neamtan (non-voting)

Pam Novak-Cawley (Chair)  
Lisa Randell  
Therese Paradis  
Brian Pendleton  
Roger Semmens  
Dennis Steeves

Mona Chan (notes)  
Amy Kwan (notes)

Student Representatives:  
Dee Dahl (a)  
Rahul Aggarwal (a)

Copy of minutes to be sent to: Doug Soo, Shirley Kamerling-Roberts

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 1305 hours.

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**MOTION:** That the agenda be approved as circulated.

**Moved** by M. Heldman/Seconded by L. Cullen  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**3. APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES AND BUSINESS ARISING**

The following (as underlined), as stated in item 4f) PUBLISHING on page 2 of the draft minutes,

“E. Rains advised that the Publishing program proposes changing one of the academic...”

is to be changed to:

“E. Rains advised that the Publishing program proposes adding one of the academic...”

**MOTION:** That the minutes of October 14, 2003 be approved with the above change, as underlined.

**Moved** by R. Semmens/Seconded by E. Ball  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

#### **4. CURRICULUM**

##### **4a) MATHEMATICS**

###### **Change to Course Prerequisites**

###### **i) MATH 2373 – Real Analysis**

The Mathematics department requested changing the course prerequisites for this second-year Mathematics course on Real Analysis from

MATH 1171 or MATH 1173 with a ‘B’ grade or higher (or consent of the instructor), and MATH 1271 or 1273 (may be taken concurrently).

to

MATH 1271, MATH 1273 or MATH 1274, OR permission of the department.

**MOTION:** That this change to course prerequisites be approved as recommended.

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

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

##### **4b) BIOLOGY**

###### **Change to Course Prerequisites**

###### **i) BIOL 1190 – Health Science I – Human Anatomy & Physiology I**

The Biology department requested changing the language in the existing “NOTE” section from

“This course is restricted to Collaborative Nursing students ...”

to

“Priority registration will be given to Collaborative Nursing students ...”

**MOTION:** That this program revision be approved as recommended.

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

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

###### **ii) BIOL 2350 – Comparative Vertebrate Anatomy**

The Biology department requested changing the course prerequisites from

“BIOL 1215 with a ‘C+’ grade or higher”

to

“BIOL 1215 (or equivalent) with a minimum of ‘C+’ OR any second-year Biology course with a minimum of ‘C+’.

**MOTION:** That this program revision be approved as recommended.

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

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**4c) CHEMISTRY**

**Change to Course Prerequisites**

**i) CHEM 2250 – Physical Chemistry**

The Chemistry department requested changing the course prerequisites from

“CHEM 1220 and one of MATH 1171 or 1173 and 1183. MATH 1271 or 1273 and 1283 are recommended”

to

“CHEM 1220 and one of the following: MATH 1171, 1174, 1253, or the combination of 1173 and 1183. MATH 1271 or the combination of MATH 1273 and 1183 are recommended.”

**MOTION:** That this change to course prerequisites be approved as recommended.

**Moved** by M. Heldman/Seconded by D. Steeves

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**4d) MODERN LANGUAGES**

**Change to Course Prerequisites**

**i) CHIN 1115, 1215, 1117, 1217, 1125, 1225**

The Modern Languages department requested changing the course prerequisites for the above courses. R. Semmens went through the changes as described on page 21 of the agenda package. The effect of the changes is to ensure that over-qualified students do not take these courses.

**MOTION:** That this change to course prerequisites for CHIN 1115, 1215, 1117, 1217, 1125, 1225 be approved as recommended.

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

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**4e) CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

**Program Revision**

**i) Criminal Justice**

The Criminal Justice department requested to have inserted in the calendar that graduation from the program requires a minimum of ‘C’ in each course. The proposed wording (in bold) is:

“Program students must complete all courses in each term with a minimum of a ‘C’ in order to enroll in the following term. **In some cases, prior written approval may be granted by the department chair to permit a student to advance to the next term. Students who are given a waiver will be required to repeat the course to obtain the minimum ‘C’ for graduation.**”

**MOTION:** That this program revision be approved as recommended.

**Moved** by M. Heldman/Seconded by D. Steeves

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**4f) ECONOMICS**

**Minor Course Revision**

**i) All courses offered by the Economics department**

The Economics department requested raising the maximum weight of final exams from 35% to 40% for all courses offered by the department.

The reasons are:

- a) A higher limit will give students who have done poorly in their first midterm a second chance to succeed.
- b) Most of the department's courses transfer directly to university courses where the weighting of the final exam is 40% or more.
- c) A higher limit will give instructors in the department more flexibility in organizing their course assessment. In particular, the change will allow instructors to better match the weight of the finals to their importance.

Discussion followed. Comments received from the members were:

- That raising the maximum weight of final exams to 40% in all the courses in the Economics department would constitute a departure from the College standard.
- Students who are not good at examinations will be disadvantaged by raising the maximum weight of final exams.
- Examination requirements vary from discipline to discipline.
- On the attachment to the minor course revision form, point 2, only ECON 1220, 1221, 2210, 2296 and 2297 were compared to UBC's and SFU's final exam weight limit.
- It would be a good idea to include a breakdown of all the course assignments and assessment format in the department.

**MOTION:** That this minor course revision to raise the maximum weight of final exams from 35% to 40% for all courses offered by the Economics department be approved as recommended.

**Moved** by B. Pendleton/Seconded by L. Cullen  
**MOTION DEFEATED**  
**(5 IN FAVOUR, 7 OPPOSED, 2 ABSTAINED)**

P. Novak Cawley turned the chair over to M. Gerson while she presented the following:

**4g) HP & REC**

**Discontinued Courses**

- i) RECR 2489 – Recreation Facilities Placement**
- ii) RECR 2479 – Recreation Internship**
- iii) RECR 2398 – Field Placement Orientation & Portfolio Development**
- iv) RECR 2379 – Recreation Internship Colloquium**

These courses were part of the old program and are no longer offered in the revised program; therefore, the Recreation department requested discontinuing RECR 2489, 2479, 2398, and 2379.

**MOTION:** That these discontinued course requests be approved as recommended.

**Moved** by P. Novak Cawley/Seconded by L. Cullen  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Program Revision**

**v) Leisure Studies Diploma**

The purposes of this program revision are:

- a) to adjust the current Leisure Studies Diploma to reflect better transfer suitability to Canadian recreation and leisure study university programs
- b) to adjust the current Leisure Studies Diploma to allow students to transfer from the revised Recreation Diploma Program after their third term, and complete the Leisure Studies Diploma in their fourth term.

Discussion ensued regarding the six credit hours in English. It was agreed that the wording needs to be changed to reflect the department's intention that English will be the university transferable English courses. P. Novak Cawley will follow up with T. Paradis and K. Tisshaw with regard to the change in the wording.

**Action: P. Novak Cawley**

**MOTION:** That this program revision be approved as recommended with the wording of the English requirements amended to reflect the department's intention that English will be the university transferable English courses.

**Moved** by P. Novak Cawley/Seconded by L. Arnold  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**Change to Course Prerequisites**

- vi) RECR 1168
- vii) RECR 2374
- viii) RECR 2375
- ix) RECR 2471

RECR 1168

To add RECR 1162 or HMPF 1130 to the existing course prerequisites of RECR 1160.

RECR 2374, 2375, 2471

To delete the existing course prerequisites (i.e. no prerequisites will be required for these three courses).

**MOTION:** That these changes to course prerequisites for RECR 1168, 2374, 2375, and 2471 be approved as recommended.

**Moved** by P. Novak Cawley/Seconded by L. Cullen  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**4h) NURSING**

**Program Revision**

**i) Collaborative Nursing**

Due to the closure of the diploma RN option, Nursing students with stronger academic qualifications are required to ensure success in the BSN (Bachelor of Science in Nursing) program. The Nursing department is aligning the admission requirements with expected performance in course work. Applicants must satisfy requirements in each of five subject areas (English, Biology, Chemistry, Math and a third Science). Details as follows:

Subject Area	Accepted methods of meeting this requirement include:
<b>ENGLISH</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- English 12* – minimum “A”</li> <li>- Or LET 5</li> <li>- Or LPI 5 or 6</li> <li>- Or English 12* – minimum “B” and LET 4 or LPI 4 (26 on the essay)</li> <li>- Or Langara’s English 1127 or equivalent – minimum “C”</li> </ul>
<b>ENGLISH ASSESSMENT TEST</b>	The use of a verbal English language test is under review.
<b>BIOLOGY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Biology 12* – minimum “C+”</li> <li>- Or a full first-year university-transferable biological science that includes a lab component – minimum “C”. If there are two components to a full year course, a minimum grade of “C” is required in each component.</li> </ul>
<b>CHEMISTRY</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Chemistry 11 – minimum “C+”</li> <li>- Or Chemistry 12* – minimum “C”</li> <li>- Or Langara’s Chemistry 1114 or equivalent – minimum “C”</li> <li>- Or 3 credits university transferable Chemistry – minimum “C”</li> <li>- Or Langara’s Chemistry Diagnostic Test – Level 1118</li> </ul>
<b>MATH</b>	- Principles of Math 11 – minimum “C”

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Or Principles of Math 12* – minimum “C”</li> <li>- Or Langara’s Math 1101 – “S” (Satisfactory)</li> <li>- Or 3 credits of university transferable math – minimum “C-“</li> <li>- Or Langara’s Math Diagnostic Test – level 60</li> </ul>
<p><b>A THIRD SCIENCE</b>            Note: the third Science course must be a different course from those used to meet the Math, Biology, and Chemistry requirements above.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Biology 11 – minimum “C”</li> <li>- Or Chemistry 11 – minimum “C”</li> <li>- Or Chemistry 12* – minimum “C”</li> <li>- Or Geography 12* – minimum “C”</li> <li>- Or Physics 11 – minimum “C”</li> <li>- Or Langara Physics 1114 – minimum “C”</li> <li>- Or a minimum of 3 credits of university-transferable science – minimum “C”. (Acceptable subject areas include Physics, Chemistry, Geography, Geology, Biology, Astronomy)</li> </ul>
<p>* Note: Provincial Examination must be written for all provincially examinable Grade 12 courses. Courses taken without completion of the provincial exam will not be accepted.</p>	
<p>An applicant holding a Bachelor’s degree from a recognized Canadian post-secondary institution, in an appropriate field as determined by the Nursing department, will be considered as having met the program admission requirements. An official transcript indicating the degree awarded must be submitted.</p>	

**MOTION:** That this program revision be approved as recommended.

**Moved** by P. Novak Cawley/Seconded by D. Steeves  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

M. Gerson turned the chair back to P. Novak Cawley.

P. Novak Cawley thanked A. Kwan for attending this Education Council meeting as an observer. She advised that A. Kwan will be taking over from M. Chan as the Secretary to the Education Council, effective January 2004.

**5. PROGRAM REVIEW - IDS**

- Self Review/Overview 2003
- Canadian Studies
- Classical Studies
- Environmental Studies
- Family Studies
- Latin American Studies
- Peace & Conflict Studies
- Women’s Studies

R. Semmens presented the program review for the Interdisciplinary Studies. A 34-page document detailing this program review was distributed with the agenda package.

**MOTION:** That this program review be approved as recommended.

**Moved** by R. Semmens/Seconded by L. Arnold  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**6. PROGRAM REVIEW – MATHEMATICS & SCIENCES DIVISION**

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Computer Science
- Maths & Stats

M. Heldman presented the program review for the Mathematics & Sciences division. A 59-page document detailing the divisional program review was distributed with the agenda package.

**MOTION:** That this program review be approved as recommended.

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

**7. POLICY: ACADEMIC STANDING – ACADEMIC PROBATION AND ACADEMIC SUSPENSION**

V. Magee Shepherd advised that Education Council approved this policy on May 13<sup>th</sup>. When this policy was reviewed by the President after Education Council had approved it, several changes were suggested. The policy has been re-written, and while the original foundations remain, the wording is significantly changed from what was approved in May.

The following changes (as underlined) were made:

**2. DEFINITIONS**

- Dean means the Dean of Student and Education Support Services.
- Good Standing is the status of a student who is not on Academic Probation or Academic or other suspension.
- Minimum Academic Standard means a semester grade point average of at least 1.50 and no more than one letter grade of “F”, “N”, “U” or “W”.

**5. POLICY**

5.2 “... for the most recently completed semester at Langara College ...”

**8. PROCEDURES**

Second Suspension

8.9 Students on a second Academic Suspension will not be permitted to register for the following six semesters.

**Third Suspension**

8.13 Students on a third Academic Suspension will not be permitted to register for the following nine semesters.

8.15 “... The Registrar will establish the maximum number of credits that the student



will be permitted to register in.”

Discussion followed.

**MOTION:** That this policy be approved as recommended.

**Moved** by V. Magee Shepherd/Seconded by L. Arnold  
**CARRIED**

**8. DATES FOR FALL 2004 THROUGH SUMMER 2005**

T. Paradis referred to the list of proposed dates, which was distributed with the agenda package. She advised that registration for fall 2004 will commence on July 29, five weeks before classes start on September 7.

**MOTION:** That these dates for fall 2004 through summer 2005 be approved as recommended.

**Moved** by T. Paradis/Seconded by B. Pendleton  
**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**9. LIST OF PROGRAMS THAT REQUIRE A CHANGE IN THE TOTAL NUMBER OF CREDITS**

A number of programs are impacted by the change in the number of credits in the Science program. T. Paradis has prepared a list, which was distributed with the agenda, seeking Education Council approval of the changes, as a package.

Discussion followed. It was decided to table this item to give T. Paradis some time to confirm the accuracy of the information listed in the document.

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**10. FOR INFORMATION**

**Corrections re: FMGT 2471/FMGT 2474**

It was noted that FMGT 2471 was erroneously listed in the attachment to the program revision form and other related forms for the Financial Management program, which was approved by Education Council in December 2002. The correct course is FMGT 2474. Changes on all the original forms and attachments have been made to rectify this error.

**CoEdCo Report**

P. Novak Cawley asked members to review the report on the Ministry of Advanced Education (AED) update – October 8, 2003, which was distributed with the agenda. She also referred to a “Report Prepared at the Request of the B.C. Ministry of Advanced Education” on degree nomenclature by B.J. Shapiro, McGill University. Copies can be obtained through M. Chan.

**11. OTHER BUSINESS**

There were no other business items to report.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 1440 hours.