

EDUCATION COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
Tuesday, February 23, 2021 at 13:00
via videoconference

Attendees:

Darren Bernaerd (Chair)	<i>Amanjot Kaur (a)</i>	<i>Udesh Sharma (a)</i>
Jim Bowers	<i>Harkhushdeep Kaur (a)</i>	Jan Smith*
Patricia Cia	Tasneem Khan	Lane Trotter*
Arnie Clark*	Gerda Krause	Shubhankar Vakde
Sandra Enns	Carmen Larsen	Yusuf Varachia
Nora Franzova	Tanya Lewis	Ryan Vernon*
Marianne Gianacopoulos	Tess MacMillan (Vice-Chair)	Sunita Wiebe*
Margaret Heldman	Ben Park	Peter Warren*
	Wanda Pierson	Lulin Zheng

Regrets: Emily Scarlett

Minutes: Susan Smith

Guests: Anna Biel, Manveen Uppal, Pablo Vargas

*non-voting
(a) *absent*

1. CALL TO ORDER / WELCOME

D Bernaerd called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m. and declared the presence of a quorum.

In response to a question, D Bernaerd confirmed that current member terms expire April 30 and that the election process is expected to begin in March.

Guest attendees were welcomed to the meeting.

2. MUSQUEAM LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

D Bernaerd acknowledged that this virtual meeting was hosted on the unceded traditional territory of the Musqueam First Nation, who have given Langara College the name *snəwəyət leləm*, *house of teachings*.

D Bernaerd invited the sharing of land acknowledgements specific to members' own locations, and made the following statement: *I graciously acknowledge the privilege I have to work today from the traditional lands of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam) and scəwəθən məsteyəxʷ (Tsawwassen) Nations.*

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

IT WAS MOVED by T Lewis, seconded by M Gianacopoulos, that the agenda be approved as distributed.

MOTION CARRIED

4. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

In accordance with the Education Council bylaws (Sec.5), Council members were provided an opportunity to declare a conflict of interest related to any item on the meeting agenda. No conflict was declared by any member in attendance.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

IT WAS MOVED by J Bowers, seconded by T Lewis, that the minutes of the meeting held on January 19, 2021 be approved.

MOTION CARRIED

6. CURRICULUM

A) MATHEMATICS & STATISTICS

a) Course Changes

- i) MATH 1100 – Mathematics Skills Development
- ii) MATH 1101 – Basic Algebra

In both proposals, the learning outcomes are revised in order to conform to the requirements of BCCAT's publication *Adult Basic Education (ABE) 2020*. The course topics remain the same but will be grouped according to the standard set by BCCAT.

IT WAS MOVED by N Franzova, seconded by T Lewis, that the revised learning outcomes in *MATH 1100* and *MATH 1101* be approved by Education Council.

MOTION CARRIED

- iii) MATH 1150 – Basic and Intermediate Algebra

The revision adds the specific code of MDT 060 required for the Math Diagnostic Test prerequisite.

IT WAS MOVED by N Franzova, seconded by G Krause that the prerequisite change for *MATH 1150* be approved by Education Council.

MOTION CARRIED

B) ASIAN STUDIES

a) Program Changes

- i) Associate of Arts Degree in Asian Studies
- ii) Diploma in Arts and Science (Asian Studies)

In both proposals, the curriculum requirements and wording are revised to be less specific which allows greater flexibility for students in selecting their courses. These changes do not affect the ability to transfer into a 3rd year university Asian Studies degree program. Program learning outcomes, as determined through program review, are also now listed for both credentials.

IT WAS MOVED by S Enns, seconded by W Pierson, that the proposed curriculum changes and program learning outcomes for the *Associate of Arts Degree in Asian Studies* and the *Diploma in Arts and Science (Asian Studies)* be approved by Education Council.

MOTION CARRIED

b) Course Changes

- i) ASIA 2200 – Cultural Foundations of East Asia
- ii) ASIA 2208 – Cultural Foundations of South Asia
- iii) ASIA 2209 – Cultural Foundations of Southeast Asia

The proposals remove all prerequisites in order to make it easier for students to complete the Associate of Arts Degree in Asian Studies and to allow students in other programs greater access to these courses. It was noted that most second-year courses offered by the department do not have prerequisites.

- iv) ASIA 3386 – Asian Century – Modern Korea
- v) ASIA 3396 – Contemporary Korean Culture and Society

In both courses, the wording of the prerequisite statement is changed to “completion of 15 credits of undergraduate coursework” for consistency with other ASIA courses and to facilitate articulation.

IT WAS MOVED by S Enns, seconded by W Pierson, that the prerequisite changes in *ASIA 2200*, *ASIA 2208*, *ASIA 2209*, *ASIA 3386* and *ASIA 3396* be approved by Education Council.

MOTION CARRIED

D Bernaerdt turned the chair over to T MacMillan.

C) FILM ARTS

a) Course Change

- i) FLMA 1200 – Art of the Short Film

The proposal adds registration restrictions to ensure that students in the Film Arts Certificate cohorts (Acting, Directing and Writing) are able to register in this course, which normally also attracts non-program students. The calendar description is also updated to remove the phrase “open to all students.”

IT WAS MOVED by D Bernaerdt, seconded by T Lewis, that the new registration restriction and updated calendar description for *FLMA 1200* be approved by Education Council.

MOTION CARRIED

T MacMillan returned the chair to D Bernaerdt.

D) EDUCATION ASSISTANT

a) Program Changes

- i) Certificate in Education Assistant
- ii) Certificate in Education Assistant (Part-time)
- iii) Diploma in Education Assistant (Co-ordinated)

In each credential, the curriculum is revised to add English 1100, English 1129 and English 1130 to the existing list of course options (English 1123, English 1127, English 1128) for completing the program’s English requirement.

IT WAS MOVED by J Bowers, seconded by T MacMillan, that the curriculum revisions in *Certificate in Education Assistant*, *Certificate in Education Assistant (Part-time)* and the *Diploma in Education Assistant (Co-ordinated)* be approved.

MOTION CARRIED

D Bernaerdt noted that the *Temporary Change* form is intended to be used for emergency situations which cannot be addressed within the normal timelines, but that the forms and process have been repurposed to deal with a number of temporary changes that have been required in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The following proposals extend the emergency admissions changes approved by Education Council in April 2020 which reduce and/or allow alternatives to the volunteer experience hours required for admission to the programs. All changes are extended through the Fall 2022 admissions cycle except those for *Education Assistant* which does not have a Fall intake and will extend its changes through the Spring 2022 admissions.

b) Temporary Changes (EDUCATION ASSISTANT)

- i) Certificate in Education Assistant
- ii) Certificate in Education Assistant (part-time)

E) EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

a) Temporary Changes

- i) Diploma in Early Childhood Education
- ii) Certificate in Early Childhood Education

F) SOCIAL SERVICE WORKER

a) Temporary Changes

- i) Certificate in Social Worker
- ii) Diploma in Gerontology

IT WAS MOVED by J Bowers, seconded by T Lewis, that the extension of the temporary admission requirements changes for the *Certificate in Education Assistant*, *Certificate in Education Assistant (Part-time)*, *Diploma in Early Childhood Education*, *Certificate in Early Childhood Education*, *Certificate in Social Worker*, and the *Diploma in Gerontology* be approved by Education Council.

MOTION CARRIED

G) NUTRITION & FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT

a) Temporary Changes

- i) Diploma in Food, Nutrition, and Health Transfer
- ii) Diploma in Nutrition and Food Service Management
- iii) Diploma in Nutrition and Food Service Management (Advanced Standing)

IT WAS MOVED by M Gianacopoulos, seconded by T Lewis, that the extension of the temporary admission requirements changes for the *Diploma in Food, Nutrition and Health Transfer*, *Diploma in Nutrition and Food Service Management* and the *Diploma in Nutrition and Food Service Management (Advanced Standing)* be approved by Education Council.

MOTION CARRIED

7. OTHER BUSINESS

A) Memorandum: LET Replacement for Summer 2021

This proposal extends until May 31, 2021 the plan previously put into place to provide alternatives for the Langara English Test, which is suspended due to COVID19. For each of the following prerequisites, students will be directed to register in the appropriate course, as detailed in the plan.

- IELTS 6.5 or Duolingo 110 (or equivalent)
- 50%+ in English Studies 12 (or Literary Studies 12 or First People's 12 or equivalent)
- Less than 50% in English Studies 12
- Students with no English High School Grades

The department will also continue to accept LPI scores for admission to English courses for as long as these scores are valid (the exam was discontinued at the end of July 2020).

IT WAS MOVED by T MacMillan, seconded by M Gianacopoulos, that the extension of the LET replacement plan until May 31, 2021 be approved by Education Council.

MOTION CARRIED

8. ADJOURNMENT

IT WAS MOVED by T Lewis, seconded by M Gianacopoulos, that the meeting be adjourned.

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 1:29 p.m.