

EDUCATION COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON

Tuesday, March 23, 2021 at 13:00
via videoconference

Attendees:

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

Regrets: Arnie Clark, Yusuf Varachia, Lulin Zheng

Minutes: Susan Smith

Guests: Jaqueline Macedo Araujo, Anna Biel,
Jody Gordon, *Pablo Vargas (a)*

*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. Guest attendees and new student members Jaswinder Kaur and Manveen Uppal were introduced and welcomed.

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 explained the meaning of unceded land and the importance of its recognition, and invited members to share acknowledgements specific to their own locations, which can be determined via the website <https://native-land.ca/>. He followed with the 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 N Franzova, seconded by T Lewis, that the agenda be approved as distributed with the addition of 8.C) *EdCo Elections*.

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 T Lewis, seconded by W Pierson, that the minutes of the meeting held on February 23, 2021 be approved.

MOTION CARRIED

6. CURRICULUM

A) DATA ANALYTICS

a) Program Changes

- i) Post Degree Diploma in Data Analytics
- ii) Post Degree Diploma in Data Analytics (Work Experience)

These proposals were approved by Education Council on December 15, 2020 but returned to clarify that CMNS 4800 was added as a required course in the curriculum of both programs.

IT WAS MOVED by N Franzova, seconded by G Krause, that the clarified proposals for the *Post Degree Diploma in Data Analytics* and *Post Degree Diploma in Data Analytics (Work Experience)* be approved by Education Council.

MOTION CARRIED

B) ANTHROPOLOGY

a) New Course

- i) ANTH 2210 – Archaeology of the Americas

S Enns noted that this new 2nd-year course will be beneficial for students who transfer from Langara to SFU and UBC to major in Archaeology, and that the department's offerings in Archaeology are currently limited. The new course will also support Langara's Archaeology Field School. Articulation has been confirmed with a number of other institutions. The course is open to all students with no prerequisites.

IT WAS MOVED by S Enns, seconded by T Lewis, that the new course *ANTH 2210 - Archaeology of the Americas* be approved by Education Council.

MOTION CARRIED

D Bernaerdt turned the chair over to T MacMillan.

C) JOURNALISM

a) Course Changes

- i) JOUR 1225 – Media Law and Ethics
- ii) JOUR 1290 – Introduction to Digital Media Storytelling

When the proposals to create these new courses were passed by Education Council in November 2020, it was intended that the pair of 1.5-credit courses that each new course was created to replace would be deemed equivalent to the respective new course. It has since been determined that the Banner system cannot treat multiple courses as equivalent to one course, and therefore these proposals remove the equivalencies.

IT WAS MOVED by D Bernaerdt, seconded by J Bowers, that the proposals to remove the course equivalencies for *JOUR 1225* and *JOUR 1290* be approved by Education Council.

MOTION CARRIED

D) WEB and MOBILE APP DESIGN and DEVELOPMENT

a) Course Changes

- i) WMDD 4811 – Graphics Techniques Fundamentals
- ii) WMDD 4855 – Web Programming 2
- iii) WMDD 4885 – Integrated Project
- iv) WMDD 4961 – Industry and Business Strategies
- v) WMDD 4997 – Advanced Topics for Web and Mobile Designers
- vi) WMDD 4998 – Advanced Topics for Web and Mobile Developers

As in the previous proposals, these courses were created to each replace two 1.5-credit courses, however the assigned equivalencies in each case, i.e. two courses being equivalent to the one new course, cannot be supported by Banner. Therefore these changes are submitted to remove the equivalencies.

IT WAS MOVED by D Bernaerd, seconded by W Pierson, that the proposals to remove course equivalencies in *WMDD 4811, WMDD 4855, WMDD 4885, WMDD 4961, WMDD 4997* and *WMDD 4998* be approved by Education Council.

MOTION CARRIED

T MacMillan returned the chair to D Bernaerd.

E) EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

a) Discontinued Course

- i) ECED 2410 – Introduction to Supported Child Care

b) Course Change

- i) ECED 2419 – Early Childhood: Special Education Practicum

c) Program Change

- i) Citation in Early Childhood Education- Special Education Post Basic

This package of changes will discontinue the one-credit course ECED 2410, which has not been offered or required in many years, and remove the course from the curriculum of the Citation. In ECED 2419, the calendar description, learning outcomes and evaluation methods are updated to S/U grading in accordance with requirements based on the Occupational Standards for Early Childhood Educators of BC.

IT WAS MOVED by J Bowers, seconded by W Pierson, that the discontinuation of *ECED 2410*, the revised curriculum in the *Citation in Early Childhood Education - Special Education Post Basic* and the updated calendar description, evaluation methods and learning outcomes in *ECED 2419* be approved by Education Council.

MOTION CARRIED

d) Course Changes

- i) ECED 1119 – Practicum I
- ii) ECED 1219 – Practicum II
- iii) ECED 1319 – Practicum III
- iv) ECED 1329 – Infant and Toddler Practicum

In consultation with TCDC, the calendar descriptions, evaluation methods and learning outcomes have been updated to accurately reflect the current delivery of these practicums. The department has also created a statement to provide greater clarity to students about how their practicum experience will be evaluated. Prerequisites have been simplified, and in ECED 1219 and ECED 1319, corequisites have been removed as it is no longer considered necessary for students to be simultaneously enrolled in the third term courses.

IT WAS MOVED by J Bowers, seconded by W Pierson, that the proposed changes in *ECED 1119, ECED 1219, ECED 1319* and *ECED 1329* be approved by Education Council.

MOTION CARRIED

e) Program Changes

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

In both programs, the proposal would remove the admission requirement for “20 hours of volunteer work in a child-care program” which has proven challenging to administer and a barrier to entry, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic. A letter of reference will still be required for admission, and the Applicant Note will continue to indicate that the letters should describe the candidate’s recent child care experience, and that “preferably, experience means 20 hours of volunteer or paid work in a licensed childcare centre...” This allows preference to be given to applicants with this level of experience, although it will no longer be a “hard” requirement for admission.

IT WAS MOVED by J Bowers, seconded by T Lewis, that the proposed change in admission requirements for the *Certificate in Early Childhood Education* and the *Diploma in Early Childhood Education* be approved by Education Council.

MOTION CARRIED

F) NUTRITION & FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT

a) Course Changes

- i) FSRV 1113 – Food Service System
- ii) FSRV 1219 – Orientation to Food Service Operations
- iii) FSRV 2429 – Food Service Management Practicum
- iv) FSRV 2529 – Food Service Supervision – Final Practicum
- v) FSRV 3114 – Food Production – Standards of Quality I
- vi) FSRV 3214 – Food Production – Standards of Quality II and Recipe

These courses were previously grandfathered by Education Council as eligible for Prior Learning and Assessment (PLAR) and are now submitted for formal approval of eligibility.

IT WAS MOVED by M Gianacopoulos, seconded by T Lewis, that Prior Learning and Assessment eligibility for *FSRV 1113*, *FSRV 1219*, *FSRV 2429*, *FSRV 2529*, *FSRV 3114*, and *FSRV 3214* be approved by Education Council.

MOTION CARRIED

7. CONTINUING STUDIES

A) CREATIVE & APPLIED ARTS

a) Program Revision (Extended Learning)

- i) Photography Certificate

The revisions add the course *Botanical Photography PHTG 1098* to Group 1 Electives, and *Interpreting the Urban Context Through Photography PHTG 1092* to Group 2 electives. Total program hours are not changed.

IT WAS MOVED by M Gianacopoulos, seconded by J Bowers, that the revisions in the *Continuing Studies Photography Certificate* be received by Education Council for information.

MOTION CARRIED

8. OTHER BUSINESS

A) Curriculum Review Committee (CRC) – EdCo Process/Submission Schedule

D Bernaerdt provided an update on the membership selection for the new standing committee, noting that the transition from DDDC to CRC for curriculum review will take place with the CRC's first review meeting at the end of April. He presented a revised deadlines schedule which replaces DDDC with CRC and incorporates new dates for submission of proposals, noting that CRC meeting dates have yet to be confirmed by the CRC.

IT WAS MOVED by G Krause, seconded N Franzova, that the revised *2021 EdCo Submission Deadlines schedule* be approved.

During discussion, concerns were raised that the schedule did not provide enough time for consultation and transfer of proposals between Division Chairs and Deans, and for thorough review of the agenda by the CRC members before the meetings. It was agreed by consensus to postpone a decision on this motion until the next meeting in order to allow time for further consideration and/or revisions in the proposed schedule.

MOTION POSTPONED

B) Graduation Advisory Committee Report – September to December 2020

The report from Jan Smith summarized the Graduation Exemption Requests approved during the Fall Semester 2020. No requests resulted in curriculum changes.

IT WAS MOVED by J Bowers, seconded by T Lewis, that the *Graduation Advisory Committee Report for Fall 2020* be received by Education Council for information.

MOTION CARRIED

C) EdCo Elections

D Bernaerdt informed Council that Education Council membership terms expire April 30 and that elections will be held for faculty and staff positions, with an announcement of results expected by the next meeting. Further information is available on the Langara website at <https://langara.ca/departments/registrar-and-enrolment-services/elections.html>

9. ADJOURNMENT

IT WAS MOVED by T Lewis, seconded by J Bowers, that the meeting be adjourned.

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 1:43 p.m.