

EDUCATION COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
Tuesday, October 14, 2008

Membership:

Antonella Alves
Fraser Archibald (a)
Linda Arnold
Noel Currie (a)
Laura Cullen (Chair)
Martin Gerson
Margaret Heldman

Linda Holmes (a)
Gerda Krause
Wendy Low (Vice-Chair)
Peter Norwood (a)
Kevin Paul (a)
Ken Pawlak

Brian Pendleton
Lisa Randell (a)
Roger Semmens
Joyce Wong

Student Representatives:

Kiet (Keith) Van (a)

Notes:

Susan Smith

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 1310 hours upon declaration of a quorum.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION:

That the agenda be approved.

Moved by W. Low/Seconded by R. Semmens
CARRIED

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION:

That the minutes of the Education Council meeting held September 16, 2008 be approved as circulated.

Moved by M. Gerson/Seconded by R. Semmens
CARRIED

4. CURRICULUM

A) NURSING

a) **Program Revision**

- i) Bachelor of Science in Nursing
- ii) Nursing Transition Program

W. Low noted that health authorities require nursing students to pass a criminal record search in order to practice. In the past, Nursing students were required to register with the College of Registered Nurses of British Columbia (CRNBC), which automatically performed a criminal record search on each student. However since February 2008, the CRNBC no longer has a student's registrant class, and students are required to obtain criminal records searches another way. The Nursing Department proposes that, effective 200830, new applicants to both programs will receive a package containing information about the program, along with instructions for requesting the criminal record search.

A second revision to the program adds wording to clarify skills and abilities required for admission. Transition plans are in place for both programs.

MOTION:

That the revisions to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing program and the Nursing Transition Program described above be approved as recommended.

Moved by W. Low /Seconded by A. Alves
CARRIED

B) SOCIOLOGY

a) **New Course Proposal**

- i) SOCI 1123 – Animals and Society

This course is an introduction to human-animal relations, with topics to cover moral issues, domestication, animal issues in politics and law, the role of animals in commerce, science and sport, and animal cruelty and abuse. The Biology and Philosophy departments have been consulted.

MOTION:

That the new course *SOCI 1123 - Animals and Society* be approved as recommended.

Moved by B. Pendleton/Seconded by G. Krause

CARRIED

- ii) SOCI 1125 – Introduction to Environmental Sociology

This course will explore environmental issues from a sociological perspective, and will examine the ways in which humans have transformed the environment, and human responsibility for environmental change and the future of the planet.

MOTION:

That the new course *SOCI 1125 – Introduction to Environmental Sociology* be approved as recommended.

Moved by B. Pendleton/Seconded by G. Krause

CARRIED

C) APPLIED URBAN & RURAL PLANNING

a) **Prerequisite Change**

- i) APPL 2430 – Planning Process & Law

The Applied Urban and Rural Planning department recommends that *APPL 1110 – Introduction to Planning with a minimum "C-" grade, or permission of the program coordinator*, be added as a prerequisite to this course. This change is expected to increase student success in APPL 2430.

MOTION:

That the prerequisite change for *APPL 2430 – Planning Process & Law* be approved as recommended.

Moved by B. Pendleton/Seconded by M. Heldman

CARRIED

b) **Course Title Change**

- i) APPL 2320 – Introduction to Geographical Information Systems
ii) APPL 2420 – Planning Applications of Geographical Information Systems

Both proposals involve changing the word “geographical” in the course title to the more common “*geographic*”, which is expected to improve internet visibility.

MOTION:

That Education Council approve the renaming of APPL 2320 and APPL 2420 to *Introduction to Geographic Information Systems* and *Planning Applications of Geographic Information Systems* respectively.

Moved by B. Pendleton/Seconded by K. Pawlak

CARRIED

c) Subject Code & Course Number Change

- i) APPL 1140 – Advanced Planning Methods

The existing course number does not reflect that this is an advanced-level Term 3 course. The department recommends changing the course number to *APPL 2340*.

MOTION:

That Education Council approve the change of course number for the above course to APPL 2340 – Advanced Planning Methods.

Moved by B. Pendleton/Seconded by M. Heldman
CARRIED

d) Program Revision

- i) Applied Urban and Rural Planning Diploma
ii) Applied Urban and Rural Planning (Concentration in Urban Planning) Diploma

The proposed revision will add ECON 1220 as an alternative to the existing required support course, HIST 2215.

MOTION:

That the revisions to the Applied Urban and Rural Planning Diploma and the Applied Urban and Rural Planning (Concentration in Urban Planning) Diploma be approved as recommended.

Moved by B. Pendleton/Seconded by W. Low
CARRIED

L. Cullen turned the chair over to W. Low.

D) LIBRARY & INFO TECH

a) Program Revision

- i) Library & Info Tech – Tech Stream

The proposed revision will clarify requirements for students wishing to enter the Technology Stream, with the addition of the following wording: *“Students should have strong computer skills to register in CPSC 1030 and/or CPSC 2030 and are advised to consult with the Computing Science & Information Systems Department before enrolling in these courses. Students considering the BBA would be advised to take BCAP 3200.”*

MOTION:

That the revision to the Library & Information Technology Program – Technology Stream be approved as recommended.

Moved by L. Cullen /Seconded by G. Krause
CARRIED

E) BBA

a) Evaluation Criteria

- i) BUSM 2450 – Business Planning

The School of Management recommends changing this course from non-examinable with a final project, to examinable. Currently marks are proportioned 65% Assignments and 35% Business Plan. The revision will reposition the group business plan project as an assignment and institute a final exam worth 35% of the total grade.

MOTION:

That the evaluation criteria for *BUSM 2450 – Business Planning* be approved as recommended.

Moved by L. Cullen /Seconded by B. Pendleton
CARRIED

b) Discontinued Program

- i) International Business Diploma
- ii) BBA – Business Management (International Bus. Specialization)

c) Discontinued Courses

- i) INTB 2300 – International Marketing
- ii) INTB 2435 – International Distribution and Transportation
- iii) INTB 2400 – International Law

d) New/Revised Course Proposal

- i) INTB 2000 – Introduction to International Business
- ii) INTB 3100 – Management Issues in International Business
- iii) INTB 3200 – International Marketing Management
- iv) INTB 3500 – International Law
- v) INTB 4100 – International Logistics
- vi) INTB 4200 – International Business Strategy

e) Program Revision

- i) BBA – International Business

L. Cullen presented all of the above items as a block of related proposals. Offering both an International Business Diploma and the BBA's Business Management (International Business Specialization) program has been confusing for students applying to the BBA. The School of Management recommends discontinuing the existing programs and repositioning the international courses as a distinct fourth concentration within the BBA. Discontinued courses will be replaced with the new or substantially revised courses listed above.

MOTION:

That the above changes to the BBA program be approved by Education Council as recommended.

Moved by L. Cullen /Seconded by M. Gerson
CARRIED

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A) Continuing Studies
- a) Program Revision**
- i) General Business Management – General Management stream

L. Cullen noted that Continuing Studies has made several changes to its General Business Management-General Management Stream certificate program, and that the revision was brought to Education Council for information purposes.

- B) CO-EDCO
- i) Update on October 4, 2008 meeting

L. Cullen circulated a report on the Co-Education Council meeting that was held at Langara College on October 4, 2008.

W. Low returned the chair to L. Cullen

6. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

That the meeting be adjourned.

Moved by R. Semmens
CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 1326 hours.

The next meeting of Education Council will be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2008.