

**LANGARA COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of a Meeting**  
**held on Tuesday, January 24, 2012**  
**Room C408 at 0935 hours**

**Members:**

Fraser Archibald	Gerda Krause
Linda Arnold (absent)	Gurbax Leelh (absent)
John Belshaw	Julie Longo
Lynn Carter	Ian McBain
Patricia Cia	Gordon McNeil (absent)
Roy Daykin	Clayton Munro
Julia Denholm (absent)	Ajay Patel
Deanna Douglas, Chair	Joanne Rajotte
Charlotte French	David Ross (absent)
Siddharth Gautam (absent)	Pierre-Andre Santin (absent)
Martin Gerson	Doug Soo
Margaret Heldman	Tomo Tanaka
Ian Humphreys	Wendy Watson (9:55 am)
Ken Jillings	Gayleen Wren

**Guests:**

Korena Jang, Manager, Executive and Board Operations  
Tom Stachura, Associate Director, Development, Information Technology

**Recorder:**

Diana Falcon, Administrative Assistant, Executive Office

D. Douglas chaired the meeting in the absence of D. Ross.

Prior to the start of the meeting, D. Douglas welcomed Gayleen Wren back from a leave; C. Munro introduced Patricia Cia, Head of Library Services effective January 17, 2012 ; and R. Daykin introduced Tom Stachura, Associate Director, Information Technology who commenced his position on January 1, 2012.

**1. REVIEW OF AGENDA**

The agenda was approved with the following additions:

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| 4. c) World Community Film Festival | D. Soo     |
| d) Announcement                     | J. Belshaw |

**2. REVIEW OF MINUTES AND BUSINESS ARISING**

**a) Draft Minutes of the Meeting held December 6, 2011**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on December 6, 2011 were accepted.

## **Business Arising**

### **Back to Baseline Project Update**

C. French provided an update on the Back to Baseline project noting that during the Christmas break general upgrades were made to the system that brought most of the banner modules up to the current version in preparation for next releases. Of note, registration will now remain open during future Christmas breaks. New Arts and Science students registering for the summer term are now able to select their program of study with the implementation of the web application. In addition, work is in progress to find a way to have current students identify their program of study. Focus is now on the summer registration module and any adjustments that need to be made.

### **Social Sciences & Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Update**

J. Belshaw provided an update on Langara's application to the Social Sciences & Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) noting that formal approval of eligibility will be received by the end of January or early February, 2012. The SSHRC has advised that Langara is eligible to apply for SSHRC funding competitions.

## **3. CURRICULUM ITEMS**

### **a) Education Council Meeting held on November 22, 2011**

G. Krause highlighted the summary report of the Education Council meeting held on November 22, 2011 noting new program proposals; new courses; program changes in Nursing to accommodate new placement conditions in practice settings; course changes; and new certificate programs in Continuing Studies.

There were no items with financial implications.

The Education Council Summary Report for November 22, 2011 was received for information.

## **4. FOR INFORMATION**

### **a) 2012-2013 Budget Update**

R. Daykin noted that the Board was briefed on the 2012-2013 budget at an Administration and Finance Committee meeting held on January 16, 2012. He noted that the Committee recommended a 2% increase in tuition fees, a lift that is in accordance with government policy. The gap between revenues and expenses will be closed through increased tuition fee rates for the upcoming fiscal year. Funding will not be available for ongoing activities, but there will be some funding available for one-time initiatives. An important focus will be on reversing the declining international enrolment in Regular Studies and Continuing Studies. A review is also being conducted of miscellaneous fees (i.e. transfer credit fees, application fees, graduation fees, parking fees, etc.) and there will also be a review of testing fees. These changes, if any, will be part of the budget recommendation in March.

### **b) International Education**

D. Douglas announced that in light of G. McNeil's retirement on May 31, 2012, A. Patel will be appointed Acting Director of International Education effective April 1, 2012. Gordon will work with Ajay to ensure a smooth transition and transfer of responsibilities.

**c) World Community Film Festival**

D. Soo announced that the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual World Community Film Festival will be held at Langara College on February 10-12, 2012. Produced by CoDevelopment Canada and the World Community Development Education Society and co-sponsored by Langara College Continuing Studies and Interdisciplinary Studies, the World Community Film Festival is BC's largest social justice film festival that features over 35 social justice and environmental documentaries intended to motivate audiences to action through awareness of issues both local and global.

**d) Announcement**

J. Belshaw announced that M. Gerson is the recipient of The Chair Academy's 2012 "Idahlynn Karre International Exemplary Leadership Award." The Chair Academy is an organization dedicated to advancing academic and administrative leadership training world-wide. The Dean's office nominated M. Gerson for his contributions to broadening and enriching Langara's program offerings and for his demonstration of deep commitment to his colleagues through creating opportunities for professional growth, engagement in broad discussion, and shared leadership of the institution. He will be presented this award at the Academy's annual conference on March 28, 2012 in Atlanta, Georgia.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1002 hours.