



LANGARA COLLEGE

MINUTES Langara Council Meeting held on Tuesday, May 6, 2003 Room B201, 0940 Hours

Members:

Linda Arnold
Christina Chow
Laura Cullen
Deanna Douglas
Martin Gerson
Marg Heldman
Linda Holmes, Chair
Ken Jillings
Carolyn Klaassen
Terry Kornutiak
Anne MacMillan (absent)
Verna Magee Shepherd

Pam Novak-Cawley
Therese Paradis
Brian Pendleton
David Pepper
Roger Semmens (0950 hours)
Doug Soo (absent)
Dennis Steeves
Gloria Swadden
Lawrence Warren
Nancy Wickham (0950 hours)
Jason Young (absent)

Visitors:

Barrie Brill
Rob Dykstra

Michael Holmwood
Brendan Newton

L. Holmes welcomed L. Cullen, Division Chair, Business and Community Programs, B. Pendleton, Division Chair, Social Sciences, R. Semmens, Division Chair, Humanities, and D. Steeves, Division Chair, Creative Arts, whose terms as Division Chairs officially began May 1, 2003. She noted that R. Semmens would be delayed in attending the meeting and therefore she would acknowledge the out-going Division Chairs at the end of the meeting.

In addition, L. Holmes welcomed B. Newton, student and LSU Executive member, who was attending the meeting for general interest.

1. REVIEW OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as circulated.

2. REVIEW OF MINUTES AND BUSINESS ARISING

a. Draft Minutes of the Meeting held Tuesday, April 15, 2003

Business Arising

L. Holmes noted that the College Board approved the 2003/05 Strategic Plan, as supported by Langara Council, at its meeting held on April 26, 2003.

She further noted that the approved Strategic Plan was distributed at the All-College Forum held April 30, 2003 and has also been posted on the web.

L. Holmes described the next steps for implementation of the Strategic Plan, noting that the Executive members are developing a project description for its implementation in each of their respective areas, including a timeline, for her review in the first week of June.

With respect to the draft policies on Bursaries and Scholarships, L. Holmes reported that the Executive members have discussed the issue of length of time a student will be permitted to be registered without paying fees and have reviewed data from other post-secondary institutions. Information still needs to be compiled and reviewed regarding refund policies at other institutions before a recommendation can be made.

L. Holmes noted that she has received many positive comments on the All-College Forum held April 30, 2003 and is awaiting a summary of the evaluation forms which were completed by participants at the end of the forum.

It was moved by D. Steeves; seconded by P. Novak-Cawley

**THAT the minutes of the Langara Council meeting held on
April 15, 2003, be approved.**

Carried.

3. ACTION ITEMS

Nil.

4. INFORMATION ITEMS

a. Registration 200320 - Update

T. Paradis distributed a document on registration statistics for the 200320 term as compared to the 200220 term.

M. Gerson reported that 51 additional sections have been added over last year, and noted the number represents more than 51 work units because some of the sections are in the areas of sciences and CIS. It was also noted that International Education student numbers are up considerably, by approximately 12 work units, or 11 sections.

T. Paradis noted that the Admissions and Registration Committee would be discussing the possibility of moving to an earlier registration date for the summer 2004 term, specifically, to start registration at the end of the third month of the previous semester for the next semester. This would allow for quicker reaction to the demand for courses if there are the resources to do so.

In reviewing the statistics provided, L. Holmes noted that the 2,100 new seats that were added were primarily filled by returning students as compared to new students, with about

500 more active students compared to the same semester last year. It was noted that both Douglas College and Kwantlen University College are full for the summer term, with Kwantlen advertising an increase of 4,100 seats. L. Holmes suggested that the offering of degree completion and packaged courses will give Langara an advantage over other institutions offering a full range of courses in the summer.

With respect to degree programs, L. Holmes noted that on May 5, 2003, legislation was passed which will expedite the degree granting process for public and private colleges and institutes, and university colleges. She will distribute the News Release prepared by the Ministry of Advanced Education.

5. OTHER

L. Holmes and other members of Council expressed appreciation to the out-going Division Chairs: B. Brill for Social Sciences; R. Dykstra for Creative Arts; and M. Holmwood for Mathematics and Sciences; thanking them for the contributions they have made to the many committees they were actively part of and to the many discussions held informally.

In addition, it was acknowledged that D. Steeves has completed his term as Division Chair, Business and Community Programs and has assumed the position of Division Chair, Humanities until December 31, 2003.

It was also noted that K. MacMillan, who was absent from the meeting, has also completed his term as Division Chair, Humanities

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 1035 hours.