



Members:

Antonella Alves
Linda Arnold
Alan Cooper
Laura Cullen (absent)
Deanna Douglas
Martin Gerson
Jim Goard (absent)
Marg Heldman
Linda Holmes, Chair
Jim Hooton
Ken Jillings

Terry Kornutiak
Wendy Low
Kevin Paul (absent)
Ken Pawlak
Brian Pendleton
David Pepper
Lynn Scarborough (absent)
Roger Semmens
Doug Soo
Nancy Wickham (absent)
LSU representative

Guests:

Barry Coulson

Mehdi Nathoo

1. REVIEW OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as circulated.

2. REVIEW OF MINUTES AND BUSINESS ARISING

a) Draft Minutes of the Meeting held on January 23, 2007

It was moved by L. Arnold, seconded by M. Heldman

**THAT, the Minutes of the Langara Council meeting held on
January 23, 2007, be approved.**

Carried.

Business Arising

K. Pawlak reminded members that B. Cole is seeking feedback on the three items that were identified in her Public Art presentation at the meeting held on January 23, 2007 and that she would like this feedback by Friday, February 9, 2007. He noted that these items and her email address are identified in the minutes.

L. Holmes noted that Mrs. Eva Kero has donated a large collection of watercolours and ink drawings to the College that were done by her late husband Mel Kero, a former Langara College English Instructor who retired in the late 1980's. L. Holmes noted that the prints are relevant to the programs that are run by the College and include prints of England, France, Greece, Guatemala, Italy, Mexico, Paris, Turkey, Sechelt, and Vancouver. The College has currently received a combination of 20 watercolours and ink drawings with an additional 60 to be received for display in the new Library/Classroom Building. One of the prints of Paris was copied and used as the front page of a past issue of "Faculty Affairs".

3. ACTION ITEMS

a) Daycare Fee Increase

J. Hooton requested an increase in Langara Child Development Centre fees of \$50 per month for all age categories beginning September 2007 as outlined in his memo dated January 30, 2007 as attached to the agenda. He identified that the increase is due to funding reductions to reflect federal changes in child care funding and would result in a deficit of approximately \$36,000. The decision to increase fees effective September 2007 is to inform parents in a timely manner and to allow those being served at the current fee to move to Kindergarten. He noted that the Centre's fees are currently lower than average in the West of Main area. M. Heldman asked if there was a mechanism in place to adjust these fees should the Federal Government adjust their plan.

J. Hooton noted that there was not a mechanism in place and that if there were changes he would bring the issue back to Langara Council. R. Semmens asked if the College could send a letter to the government entities on behalf of the Langara Child Development Centre voicing the College's concern regarding the changes in funding, support of care, etc., and L. Holmes noted that a letter would be sent. J. Hooton noted that the support would be very well received by the Centre and would be greatly appreciated.

ACTION ITEM

It was moved by J. Hooton, seconded by D. Douglas

THAT, Langara Child Development Centre fees be increased in the amount of \$50 per month effective September 2007.

Carried.

4. INFORMATION ITEMS

a) 2007-08 Budget

D. Douglas provided an update on the 2007-08 Budget noting that tuition increases, movement of credit cap from 15 to 18 and an unexpected improvement in enrolment has resulted in a deficit reduction of \$769,000 leaving a deficit of \$1M from \$1.7M. L. Arnold and D. Douglas are currently working with the Ministry regarding funding for Nursing which may result in an additional change to the deficit.

K. Pawlak offered to move \$41,000 from 07/08 operating capital to subsequent years which leaves approximately \$600,000 in Operating Capital. Other departments are to let D. Douglas know if there are additional items which could be deferred. D. Douglas recommended moving the 'A Building Copier' in the amount of \$7,500 from the Enhancement List to Status Quo Budget and asked for feedback from Members. M. Heldman responded that six Division Chairs are in support of this move. L. Holmes noted that the consensus is to move the item from the Enhancement List to Status Quo Budget.

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 1000 hours.