

LANGARA COLLEGE

MINUTES Langara Council Meeting held on Tuesday, October 12, 2010 Room C408 at 0935 hours

Members:

Pouya Abdolhosseini
Fraser Archibald
Linda Arnold
John Belshaw
Lynn Carter (alt. Cheryl McKeeman)
Chris Chow (absent)
Irene Collison
Laura Cullen
Deanna Douglas
Charlotte French
Martin Gerson (absent)
Margaret Heldman
Ian Humphreys
Ken Jillings (absent)

Gerda Krause
Julie Longo
Grace Makarewicz
Michael Marriott
Gordon McNeil (absent)
Ajay Patel (absent)
Kevin Paul (absent)
Brian Pendleton
Joanne Rajotte
David Ross
Roger Semmens
Doug Soo
Tomo Tanaka

Guests:

Korena Jang, Executive Assistant to the President and Board of Governors
Tracey Morton, Associate Registrar, Records and Registration

Recorder:

Diana Falcon, Administrative Assistant, Executive Office

C. French introduced Tracy Morton, Associate Registrar, Records and Registration who commenced her position on October 12, 2010.

1. REVIEW OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved with the following addition:

- 3. For Information
 - c) Updates

2. REVIEW OF MINUTES AND BUSINESS ARISING

a) Draft Minutes of the Meeting held September 14, 2010

The Minutes of the Meeting held on September 14, 2010 were approved with the following changes:
Change "Dean of Social Sciences and Mathematics" to "Dean of Social Sciences and Management" in first paragraph on first page.

Change "All" to "Some" in the last sentence under Item 4. For Information a) Year of Science Initiative.

3. FOR INFORMATION

a) 40th Anniversary Fund

D. Ross made a presentation on the 40th Anniversary/Innovation Fund noting that \$50,000 has been committed to support the fund which will provide resources to Langara employees to develop and/or test innovative ideas that advance the institution as it relates to the Strategic Plan. He highlighted the fund process and timelines and noted that this framework would afford the opportunity to make changes going forward. It was also noted that it could become a concrete piece that may help with NSERC eligibility, and could provide opportunities to create partnerships that would help build additional funding. Discussion ensued and the consensus was that it will be an excellent conduit that will allow all employees to become engaged in advancing the Colleges Strategic Plan and Vision.

b) Langara Council Meeting Dates

D. Ross proposed that Langara Council meet every three weeks given that approximately one-third of the scheduled meetings are cancelled due to insufficient agenda items. After much discussion it was agreed to change the schedule to meet every three weeks effective immediately. A new schedule and existing Terms of Reference will be distributed.

It was noted that I. Humphreys left the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

c) Update

D. Ross provided an update on: enrolments across the sector; the six-month degree moratorium instituted by the Ministry of Advanced Education and Labour Market Development; and the provincial budget as it relates to post-secondary education.

It was noted that G. Krause left the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

D. Soo provided an update on Labour Market funding provided by the provincial government. Labour Market funding helps unemployed Canadians find work by obtaining appropriate training that relates to job market demands. In the transfer of money and control from the Federal to provincial jurisdiction the 400 + contracts in BC will be scaled back to less than 100 so bidding will be very challenging. The new comprehensive service model will make it challenging for organizations with a limited capacity to provide a full range of employment counselling, job skills training, and transition to work services to bid for funding. It is anticipated that only large private companies or new partnership entities would be able to compete. RFP posting is scheduled to occur in March 2011 with selection of successful proponents in November 2011. More announcements about program parameters will be issued in late fall 2010 when the competitive field will be narrowed.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.