

LANGARA COUNCIL
Minutes of a Meeting
held on Tuesday, February 15, 2011
Room C408 at 0934 hours

Members:

Fraser Archibald	Grace Makarewicz
Linda Arnold	Michael Marriott (absent)
John Belshaw	Ian McBain
Lynn Carter	Gordon McNeil
Chris Chow (absent)	Clayton Munro (absent)
Irene Collison (absent)	Ajay Patel (absent)
Deanna Douglas	Brian Pendleton (absent)
Charlotte French	Joanne Rajotte
Martin Gerson	William Robson (absent)
Margaret Heldman	David Ross, Chair
Ian Humphreys (absent)	Roger Semmens
Ken Jillings	Doug Soo
Gerda Krause	Tomo Tanaka
Julie Longo	

Guests:

Barry Coulson, Director, Financial Services
Roy Daykin, Associate Vice-President, Administration and Finance
Julia Denholm, Incoming Division Chair, Humanities
Korena Jang, Manager, Executive and Board Operations
Peggy MacDonald, Executive Director, College Advancement

Recorder:

Diana Falcon, Administrative Assistant, Executive Office

Prior to the start of the meeting, D. Ross highlighted two documents titled "Skills for Growth: British Columbia's Labour Market Strategy to 2020" prepared by the Ministry of Regional Economic and Skills Development; and, "People Without Jobs : Jobs Without People – Ontario's Labour Market Future" by Rick Miner. (Links to both documents were shared with Council Members). He further noted that the provincial government strategy will likely be anchored to the Labour Market document.

1. REVIEW OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as circulated.

2. REVIEW OF MINUTES AND BUSINESS ARISING

a) Draft Minutes of the Meeting held January 25, 2011

The Minutes of the Meeting held on January 25, 2011 were accepted.

D. Ross noted that the Innovation Fund process is proceeding and an announcement will be made shortly.

3. Information

a) Academic Goals and Priorities

M. Gerson highlighted the Academic Goals and Priorities document attached to the agenda for information and acknowledged the work of J. Belshaw, M. Heldman and J. Longo in drafting the document. He highlighted the priorities and identified their relationship to the Strategic Plan. A correction was noted on page eight – remove the wording “(including Ed Tech)” after the bullet “Centre for Teaching & Learning.”

b) 2011-2012 Budget - Update

R. Daykin provided an update on the preparation of the 2011/12 budget. He noted that maintaining status quo will result in an approximate \$875,000 shortfall before tuition rate changes and other adjustments. To close the gap, domestic tuition fees will increase by 2%; international tuition fees will increase by 5%; LEAP and STEP fees will increase by 8% for international students and 2% for domestic students; and materials fees and building legacy fees will increase by 2%. Projected 2010/11 production is at 103% which includes approximately 25-30 sections that had not been in the 2010/11 budget. These sections will be maintained for the 2011/12 budget.

In addition, there will be approximately \$250,000 available to fund three priority positions and there is approximately \$280,000 in savings from delayed hirings and vacant positions that will be used to fund items such as leadership development, student loan debt management, student volunteer programs, and educational technology initiatives on a one-time basis.

R. Daykin further noted that a new reporting requirement will be implemented for the fiscal year 2012/13 where there will be a requirement to include approved budgets in the financial statements.

In response to an enquiry about the utilization of the College's aging facilities, M. Gerson provided an update on the Strategic Enrolment Management process which outlines the goal to increase enrolment by 20% over 10 years. It was noted that having a plan in place is an important step in order to approach government for facilities expansion funding when the opportunity arises.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1030 hours.