

LANGARA COUNCIL
Minutes of a Meeting
held on Tuesday, October 4, 2011
Room B144 at 0930 hours

Members:

Fraser Archibald	Ian McBain
Linda Arnold	Gordon McNeil
John Belshaw	Clayton Munro
Lynn Carter	Ajay Patel
Julia Denholm	Brian Pendleton
Deanna Douglas (absent)	Joanne Rajotte
Charlotte French	David Ross, Chair
Martin Gerson (absent)	Pierre-Andre Santin
Margaret Heldman	Doug Soo
Ian Humphreys	Tomo Tanaka
Ken Jillings	Wendy Watson (absent)
Gerda Krause	Langara Students' Union
Julie Longo (absent)	(2 Representatives – Vacant)
Grace Makarewicz (absent)	

Recorder:

Diana Falcon, Administrative Assistant, Executive Office

1. REVIEW OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved with the following addition:

- 4. For Information**
c) Artist in Residence T. Tanaka

2. REVIEW OF MINUTES AND BUSINESS ARISING

a) Draft Minutes of the Meeting held September 13, 2011

The Minutes of the Meeting held on September 13, 2011 were accepted.

Business Arising

In response to a member's query regarding student application cut-off dates, C. French noted that further data and discussion is required and an update will be provided at a future meeting.

Back to Baseline Update

C. French made a presentation on the Back to Baseline "Banner – the Next Generation" project. She highlighted the timeline for the baseline portion of the project emphasizing that it demonstrates the magnitude of the project and those involved behind the scenes. She identified several key "test" and "go live" dates noting that the final "go live" date will occur in March 2012. The mock registration system test held recently went extremely well and faculty will be included in the round of testing in the new year.

3. CURRICULUM ITEMS

a) Education Council Meeting held on September 20, 2011

G. Krause highlighted the summary report of the Education Council meeting held on September 20, 2011 noting program and course changes; a new course in Recreation; discontinued courses; the adoption of the Education Council bylaws that will be reviewed annually; and, the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between Langara and INSCOL Academy.

There were no items with financial implications.

The Education Council Summary Report for September 20, 2011 was received for information.

4. FOR INFORMATION

a) President's Update

D. Ross provided an update on the following:

- Advanced Education Minister Naomi Yamamoto and Acting Deputy Minister Cheryl Wenezenki-Yolland visited Langara on July 21, 2011 to tour the campus and meet with students;
- Dawn Minty was recently appointed Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, Advanced Education;
- Other changes in the post-secondary sector include a vacancy for an Assistant Deputy Minister in the Public Sector Employers' Council;
- The Premier announced key steps in a provincial goal to increase International student enrolment by 50% over four years;
- The Premier is initiating a two-week trade mission to China and India which will focus mainly on forestry, mining, seafood, community services and international education;
- The Premier's "Canada Starts Here: The BC Jobs Plan" will be released shortly;
- Some pressure on trades enrolment across the province;
- Langara's domestic enrolments are consistent with the previous year while international enrolments have slightly decreased;
- Province's budget priority is to balance the budget which is projected to take a year longer than anticipated due to the reversal of the HST and economic uncertainty; and,
- The provincial grant is currently being sustained but without increase; and,

b) Student Engagement Centre Update

I. Humphreys made a presentation on the Student Engagement Centre's role in strategic enrolment management noting that it will: enhance existing student services; act as a referral source to other student services; coordinate new student and parent orientation; and provide employment support initiatives to students. He also noted that recruitment will begin for a Student Engagement Centre Advisory Committee (SECAC)

and distributed a draft copy of the Terms of Reference at the table (a copy is attached to these minutes). He identified the members of the Management Committee and in response to a member's query that the Management committee does not include academic representation, it was noted that this would be taken under advisement from the Advisory Committee. It was also noted by a Council member that the Chair of Co-op Education is a Faculty member of the Management Committee. He noted that Megan Richardson is the new VOLT Coordinator and can be contacted for further information on the centre or the VOLT program. Updates will be provided as the facility expands.

I. Humphreys noted the importance of student profiling and distributed a Vancouver Sun article titled "Not an A Student? University may still be an option" which described the University of British Columbia's rapidly expanding use of personal profiles to determine admissibility to the university instead of relying on grades.

It was noted that D. Ross left the meeting at 10:15 a.m.

K. Jillings chaired the remainder of the meeting in D. Ross' absence.

c) Artist in Residence

T. Tanaka announced that the Langara College Centre for Art in Public Spaces Committee has selected Samuel Roy-Bois as Langara's next Artist in Residence. S. Roy-Bois' project will include a 16' x 16' makeshift movie studio which will be located in the grassy quadrangle between the daycare and the Library building. Once completed, it will be open to the college community and will include events beginning in Spring 2012. A public announcement will be made by press release shortly.

Other:

I. Humphreys announced that on December 1, 2011 from 6:00 – 8:30 pm the Creative Arts Division will hold its first student Art Auction which will recognize the exemplary talents of our students.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1026 hours.