EDUCATION COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
Tuesday, June 12, 2007

Membership:

Antonella Alves	Linda Holmes (a)	Brian Pendleton
Fraser Archibald	Jim Hooton (a)	Lisa Randell (a)
Linda Arnold	Gerda Krause	Roger Semmens
Noel Currie	Wendy Low	Joyce Wong
Laura Cullen (Chair)	Peter Norwood (a)	
Martin Gerson	Kevin Paul	**Student Representatives:**
Margaret Heldman (Vice Chair)	Ken Pawlak	Alishams Hassam (a)
		Sherese Johnson (a)
Guests:		Gabriel Ratte (a)
Ian Humphreys		Zuo, XinRu (a)
Ruth Lamb		
Pita Scheer		Susan Smith (notes)
Kathryn Shaw		
Linda Turner		
Cora van Wyck		

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**

   The meeting was called order at 1303 hours. L. Cullen thanked members for their attendance.

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

   The agenda was approved with item K: Bachelor of Performing Arts (BPA) Full Program Proposal moved forward.

3. **APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES**

   > **MOTION:**
   > **That** the minutes of the Education Council meeting held April 17, 2007 be approved as circulated.
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   > **Moved** by R. Semmens/Seconded by N. Currie
   > **CARRIED**

4. **CURRICULUM**

   A. CONTINUING STUDIES
      <u>Health/Centre for Holistic Health Studies</u>
      New Program Proposals

      The following item was accepted as a late addition to the agenda:
      Memo dated June 7, 2007 from S. Kamerling-Roberts, Manager of Student Assistance Programs, in support of student loan eligibility for the Spa Practitioner Certificate Program

      R. Lamb introduced the following new certificate programs.

   i) Cranial Sacral Therapy Certificate Program

      C. van Wyck described this program as unique and representative of an upcoming modality in Canada, involving the teaching of a "light body touch" holistic health theory and method. The program involves 5 modules, each containing 3 courses taught over 3 days, and includes a 50 hour practicum.

   ii) Expressive Arts Therapy Training Program

      This program was presented by P. Scheer as addressing a need in Western Canada for training in integrative, arts-based psychotherapy, emphasizing movement, drama and visual arts, that will provide students with the skills needed to practice as therapists in this field. The program consists of 12 courses over 508 hours, with a 300 hour practicum, and is affiliated with The European Graduate School in Switzerland, where eligible students will be entitled to continue towards a Masters degree.

iii) Wellness Spa Practitioner Certificate Program

L. Turner presented this 10 module, 700-hour program as one which will educate practitioners in the therapeutic aspects of the spa industry, with a curriculum focused on techniques such as relaxation, visualization and a holistic approach to health. This program was also presented as requiring approval for student loans criteria.

L. Cullen acknowledged the above three items as received by Education Council.

MOTION:
That the Wellness Spa Practitioner Certificate Program be approved by Education Council as meeting student loans criteria.

Moved by M. Gerson/Seconded by R. Semmens
CARRIED

(The guests from the Continuing Studies Centre for Holistic Health departed at 1317 hours.)

B.   BACHELOR OF PERFORMING ARTS (BPA)
Full Program Proposal

L. Arnold presented this proposal as the collaboration of four colleges (Capilano College, Douglas College, Vancouver Community College and Langara College) to deliver the BPA as a collective degree. The curriculum has been developed over a period of four years by a steering committee of faculty representatives from each institution, and represents a broad spectrum of performing arts programs, with a sound educational component. Ministry requirements have been fully addressed within the proposal. Existing students in the participating programs will receive as much credit as possible towards the degree. K. Shaw noted the unique opportunity for people from various backgrounds to work together, particularly in the final year when students will create a festival company to produce an original interdisciplinary performance.

MOTION:
That the Bachelor of Performing Arts degree proposal be approved by Education Council.
Moved by L. Arnold /Seconded by R. Semmens
CARRIED

L. Cullen acknowledged the work by all of the people involved in developing the concept for this proposal. L. Arnold thanked Education Council and noted that Langara College is the third of the four institutions so far to approve the proposal, prior to its moving ahead for peer review and the DQAB approval process.

C.   CONTINUING STUDIES
Business Management Programs
Certificate Program Revisions

i)   Supervisory Skills Certificate

I. Humphreys indicated that this revision is simply a change of name, from "Supervisory Skills Certificate" to "Management Skills Certificate" which will increase marketability and better reflect the content of the courses offered within the program.

L. Cullen acknowledged this item received by Education Council.

(I. Humphreys departed the meeting at 1332 hours.)

L. Cullen turned the chair over to M. Heldman.

D. CRIMINAL JUSTICE PROGRAM
   Program Revision
 i) Criminal Justice Program

   L. Cullen explained that the revision involves replacing *BCAP 1200 – Business Computer Applications I* in the second term with the new course *CRIM 1220 - Research Methods in Criminology*. BCAP 1200 was considered redundant, as students enter the program already possessing strong word processing skills, while training in research methods has been determined beneficial to enhancing professional opportunities for graduates. The change will take effect September 2007.

   MOTION:
   That this revision to the Criminal Justice Program be approved by Education Council.
   Moved by L. Cullen/Seconded by G. Krause
   CARRIED

E. HUMAN KINETICS
   Prerequisite Change
 i) HKIN 1190- Anatomy/Physiology I

   There has been a high rate of failure in this course among students who do not have the necessary background. The department is confident that adding HKIN 1100 as a prerequisite will improve the success rate, as well as maintain consistency with other colleges.

   MOTION:
   That the addition of HKIN 1100 as a prerequisite to HKIN 1190 be approved by Education Council.
   Moved by L. Cullen/Seconded by W. Low
   CARRIED

F. LIBRARY and INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
   Program Revision
 i) Library and Information Technology Program

   L. Cullen indicated that this revision addresses course numbering changes that have taken place in other departments. A transition plan is not necessary as CSIS 2500 and BCAP 3200, replacing CISY 2415 and BCAP 1237 respectively, are deemed equivalent to the old courses.

   MOTION:
   That Education Council approve the revision to the Library and Information Technology program as described above.
   Moved by L. Cullen/Seconded by L. Arnold
   CARRIED

M. Heldman returned the chair to L. Cullen.

G. JOURNALISM
   New Course Proposal
 i) JOUR 1100 – Intro to the News Media

   L. Arnold introduced this course as having been developed to provide students with a foundation in journalism or mass communications, at a level which had been unavailable to many program applicants in the past. There is a good possibility for articulation to Communications or Humanities, and it was also noted that the course has been enthusiastically endorsed by the Journalism Program's advisory committee.

   MOTION:
   That Education Council approve the new course proposal for JOUR 1100 as presented.
   Moved by K. Pawlak/Seconded by B. Pendleton
   CARRIED

H. MODERN LANGUAGES
    Prerequisite Change
i) FREN 1205 – French Conversational Skills

FREN 1115 is to be removed from the list of prerequisites. R. Semmens explained that the level of French taught in FREN 1115 does not provide students with sufficient skill to succeed in FREN 1205. Other prerequisites for this course remain unchanged.

> **MOTION:**
> **That** Education Council approve the deletion of FREN 1115 from the list of prerequisites for FREN 1205.
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> **Moved** by R. Semmens/Seconded by L. Arnold
> **CARRIED**

I. PHILOSOPHY
    Course Title Change
i) PHIL 1101 – Intro to Philosophy: Epistemology and Metaphysics

The Philosophy department has recommended that the course title be renamed *"Introduction to Philosophy: Knowledge and Reality"* in order to increase accessibility for students who may otherwise be deterred by the terminology used in the existing title.

> **MOTION:**
> **That** the course title change described above be approved by Education Council as recommended.
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> **Moved** by R. Semmens /Seconded by G. Krause
> **CARRIED**

J. SOCIOLOGY/ANTHROPOLOGY
    Prerequisite Change
i) Sociology – All 2nd year courses

B. Pendleton explained that the proposed change involves adding SOCI 1122, which is now being offered after a long interval, to the list of prerequisites for all 2nd year Sociology courses.

> **MOTION:**
> **That** Education Council approve the addition of SOCI 1122 to the list of prerequisites for all 2nd year Sociology courses.
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> **Moved** by B. Pendleton/Seconded by W. Low
> **CARRIED**

K. BIOLOGY
    Course Title Change
i) BIOL 1118/1218 – Introduction to Ecology

G. Krause presented the proposed changes to the names of these two courses, which are support courses for the Environmental Studies program. With the existing titles of Environmental Studies I and Environmental Studies II, students assume the courses must be taken in sequence, resulting in the former filling while the other does not. Renaming the courses *BIOL1118: Introduction to Environmental Ecology* and *BIOL 1218: Biodiversity and Conservation Biology* will clarify that these are stand-alone courses and can be taken in any order.

> **MOTION:**
> **That** the above course title changes be approved by Education Council as recommended.
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> **Moved** by M. Heldman /Seconded by L. Arnold
> **CARRIED**

L. COMPUTING SCIENCE & INFORMATION SYSTEMS

The following curriculum items were presented as a package, resulting from the merging of departments. Course work and programs offered should prepare graduates for jobs and also be university transferable with good articulation. M. Heldman indicated that generally changes come forward to Education Council about once a year because the discipline requires constant upgrading to maintain currency.

Course Title Change/Course Description Change

The following course title changes, and related description changes, are recommended to provide more clear and consistent descriptions of course content.

i) CPSC 1150 – Program Design I to be changed to *Program Design*
ii) CPSC 1160 – Program Design II to be changed to *Algorithms and Data Structures I*
iii) CPSC 2150 – Data Structures and Algorithms to be changed to *Algorithms and Data Structures II*
iv) CPSC 1030 – Essential Web Applications to be changed to *Web Development I*
v) CPSC 2301 – Software Engineering and Project Management to be changed to *Software Engineering*

MOTION:
That the above course title and description changes be approved by Education Council as recommended.

Moved by M. Heldman /Seconded by L. Arnold
CARRIED

New Course Proposal

i) CPSC 1191 – Discrete Structures I
ii) CPSC 2191 - Discrete Structures II

M. Heldman explained that these core computer courses will repackage the material presently taught in CPSC 2190. Re-ordering topics and delivery format is expected to increase student success as well as improve articulation. The existing course is heavy on content.

iii) CPSC 2030 – Web Development II

This course is being proposed as a follow up course to the popular CPSC 1030, as an elective in the revised CSD program stream.

iv) CPSC 2130 – Multimedia and Animation

Existing departmental resources will be used to offer a "new media" course that is expected to be popular.

v) CSIS 2302 – Project Management

The existing *CPSC 2301 – Software Engineering and Project Management* will be split into *CPSC 2301 – Software Engineering,* and the new *CSIS 2302 – Project Management.* Both courses will be offered at the same time, with CSIS 2302 intended primarily for students in the MIS program stream.

MOTION:
That the above new course proposals be approved by Education Council as recommended.
Moved by M. Heldman /Seconded by G. Krause
CARRIED

Prerequisite Change

i) CSIS 2500 – Management Information Systems

High school students need maturity before taking this course, which is only offered online. Prerequisites will be modified from *"None. [CSIS 1300 and (CPSC 1000 or BCAP 1200) is recommended.]"* to *"15 Credits. [CSIS 1300 and (CPSC 1000 or BCAP 1200) are recommended.]"*

ii)   CPSC 1090 – Engineering Graphics

The current prerequisite of "*CPSC 1150 or CPSC 1155*" which teaches programming, is not necessary for CPSC 1090 and should be removed from the list of prerequisites. However literacy in Windows will be added as a recommendation.

iii)   CPSC 2301 – Software Engineering

Greater technical skills are required for this course as a result of restructuring, and therefore the department proposes the following prerequisites: *"A minimum grade of "C" in one of CPSC 1160 or CPSC 1181, and a minimum grade of "C" in CPSC 1220 and CPSC 1280; or permission of department."*

MOTION:
That the above prerequisite changes be approved by Education Council as recommended.
Moved by M. Heldman /Seconded by R. Semmens
CARRIED

Program Revision
i)   Management Information Systems (MIS) Diploma
and Cooperative Education Diploma

The revision to this program reflects the addition of the new course *CSIS 2302 – Project Management*, in place of CPSC 2301. Current students may take either course as they are deemed equivalent.

ii)   Internet/Web Computing and Software Development Program (ICSD) and Cooperative Internship Certificate

This revision involves a change in the program admission requirement from *"Within the last three years, "C" or higher in CPSC 1150."* to *"Within the last three years, "C" or higher in CPSC 1150 or one year of professional computing experience."* This change will help target applicants with professional experience who wish to upgrade skills.

iii)   Computer Studies Diploma (CSD) and Cooperative Education Diploma

M. Heldman presented the proposed change as one which incorporates some of the new courses and simplifies options. The department is streamlining the program by reducing the number of specializations from 8 to a more manageable and marketable 4, as described on pages 249 and 250 of the agenda package. Existing program students may complete either the prior set of courses or the new reduced list of required courses.

MOTION:
That revisions to the above programs be approved by Education Council as recommended.
Moved by M. Heldman /Seconded by M. Gerson
CARRIED

Discontinued Program
The department recommends discontinuation of these programs due to lack of demand.

i)   Computer Science Citations:
-Citation in Computer Science
-Citation in Computer Programming

MOTION:
That Education Council approve discontinuation of the *Citation in Computer Science* and the *Citation in Computer Programming* as recommended.
Moved by M. Heldman /Seconded by W. Low
CARRIED

5. NEW BUSINESS

i)   English Requirement

This item was deferred to a later date.

6. INFORMATION ITEMS

i)   School of Management Chart

L. Cullen presented a diagram which clarifies the process of application to the BBA and exit into the various School of Management diploma programs.

ii) Education Council dates for 2008

It was noted that due to the November 11 holiday, meeting and submission dates have been moved forward by one week. As the November agenda tends to be quite large due to the calendar deadline, L. Cullen urged that curriculum changes be planned well in advance of the deadline.

L. Arnold questioned whether the submission deadline has resulted in the calendar being published on time. K. Paul noted that while the target date was May 1, the calendar was not delivered until the first week of June. Ideally delivery would be made in early April so that students could obtain a copy prior to the end of the school year.

7. ADJOURNMENT

> **MOTION:**
> **That,** there being no other business, the meeting be adjourned.
>
> **Moved** by R. Semmens
> **CARRIED**

The meeting was adjourned at 1418 hours.

The next meeting of Education Council will be held on Tuesday, September 18, 2007.