

LANGARA COUNCIL
Minutes of a Meeting
held on Tuesday, January 14, 2014
Room C408 at 0930 hours

Members:

Diane Bradley	Wendy Lannard (regrets)
Lynn Carter	Vivian Lee
Tim Charters	Gurbax Leelh
Raymond Chow	Julie Longo
Patricia Cia	Mankee Mah (regrets)
Barry Coulson	Clayton Munro
Roy Daykin, Chair	Brad O'Hara
Leelah Dawson	Dawn Palmer
Lisa Fisher	Ajay Patel
Charlotte French	Nisha Ram
Margaret Heldman	Pierre-André Santin
Ian Humphreys	Sue Street
Korena Jang	Tomo Tanaka
Darrell Kean	Daniel Thorpe
Gerda Krause	Gayleen Wren

Guests:

Jacqueline Bradshaw, Ed Tech Advisor, Educational Technology
Robin Macqueen, Department Chair Physics and Astronomy
Kristine Nellis, CUPE Representative

Recorder:

Alice Hsu, Executive Assistant to the President

Prior to the start of the meeting, R. Daykin welcomed J. Bradshaw, incoming Division Chair, Social Sciences and Business and R. Macqueen, incoming Division Chair, Health Sciences; and thanked D. Kean and D. Bradley for taking on the role of Division Chair in the past few years. He also welcomed N. Ram, new representative of the Langara Students' Union, and K. Nellis attending on behalf of M. Mah as a CUPE representative.

1. REVIEW OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as distributed.

2. REVIEW OF MINUTES AND BUSINESS ARISING

a) Draft Minutes of the Meeting held on December 10, 2013

The minutes attached to the agenda were approved with the following changes:

- Item 3 a) add “implementation” in front of “process” where two places mention “the speed of the process” in the third paragraph
- Item 3 a) change “simplicity” to “complexity” in the third paragraph.
- Item 6 b) change “January 2013” to “January 2014” in the third paragraph.
- Item 6 b) change “150 international students” to “150 FTE” in the sixth paragraph
- Under Other, change the previous artwork title to “Placebo 4.9” and add “Little Shadows” as the title for the new artwork piece.

3. STANDING ITEMS

a) Banner Next Generation Project Update

C. French advised that the electronic transcript exchange with UBC is moving forward with testing. The target for moving to parallel testing in production is early February. The building of the transfer articulation tables for UBC to Langara is continuing with the goal of completion by the end of March 2014.

In response to questions around the status of the Banner Next Generation Project, R. Daykin advised that the project has turned out to be a far larger process than initially envisioned due to the Student Information module of Banner being highly modified over a long period of time. Although the project has not been completed, the College is taking a break as the software company, Ellucian, is moving to new technology and making some significant changes in their software. During the break, the College will continue to work on other IT systems that need to be addressed.

R. Daykin also advised that there have been discussions around doing the work on a shared basis with other institutions experiencing the same challenges. However, it is unsure if this will work for Langara because of the significant modifications existing in our system.

R. Daykin further advised that the work that has been done for the project is necessary. C. French suggested that she and B. Coulson provide a summary of what has been accomplished for the project to the next Langara Council meeting.

R. Daykin noted that work is being done on a governance structure for our IT system and, once it is ready, it will be brought back to the group for information, comments, and feedback.

In response to a question around the impact of the Business Process Review, R. Daykin advised that the majority of the Business Process Review has nothing to do with Banner and there will be more time to focus on other things that have been consumed by the Banner Next Generation Project.

b) Building Update

B. Coulson advised that we have reached an agreement with the City of Vancouver on the extension of the Community Amenity Contributions Agreement and are working on negotiating two service agreements that the City of Vancouver requires – widen the side walk in front of 49th avenue and improve the bike lanes on Ontario Street. Both agreements contain an indemnity clause that has not received the required provincial approval.

4. CURRICULUM ITEMS

a) Education Council Meeting held on November 19, 2013

G. Krause referred to the summary report of the Education Council meeting held on November 19, 2013 and highlighted a new Post Degree Diploma in Nursing Practice in Canada, which is a 2-year credential. Students will apply through a partner organization in India and study at Langara. G. Krause also noted that the Post Degree Certificate in Nursing Leadership and Management under Program Changes is an exit credential after the first year if a student decides not to complete the entire 2-year Post Degree Diploma program.

G. Krause also highlighted the Citation in Latin American Studies under New Program Proposals, a number of History courses around Islam under New Courses, and a new certificate program under Information Items, Continuing Studies - Organic Landscape Management that allows students to become eligible for a Diploma in Organic Land Care through Gaia College.

The Education Council summary report for November 19, 2013 was received for information.

5. FOR ACTION

a) Revised Terms of Reference

R. Daykin referred to the Langara Council Terms of Reference attached to the agenda and advised that the only change is from a three week rotation to once a month to work with the meeting schedule of the Langara Leadership Team that is comprised of Vice-Presidents, Deans, and Directors and meets on opposite two weeks cycle. The less meeting frequency will also help to generate a fuller agenda.

The revised Langara Council Terms of Reference was approved by consensus.

6. FOR INFORMATION

a) Budget Update

B. Coulson provided an update on the 2014/15 Budget development noting that the total shortfall is still approximately \$2.5 million, but this is subject to revision. A list of budget additions is still being compiled. The intention is to bring the full package for discussion on how to close the gap at the next Langara Council meeting in February 2014.

Other

R. Daykin provided the following updates:

- Domestic enrolment has been decreasing as the economy is picking up while the international enrolment has improved over the past year.
- This is his last week as President Pro-Tem as new President, L. Trotter, will start on January 20, 2014. L. Trotter will attend a BC Colleges President's Meeting for a few hours prior to coming on campus.
- Organizational structure will be returning to what was envisioned prior to him taking on the President Pro-Tem. His direct reports will include B. Coulson, C. French, K. Jang, and P. Santin. B. Coulson will have responsibilities for Facilities, Finance, and Ancillary Services. The only change is that College Advancement will also report to him to provide S. Street with more support as needed.

R. Daykin thanked everyone for their support during the past year.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 1010 hours.