



LANGARA COLLEGE

MINUTES

Langara Council Meeting
held on Tuesday, September 14, 2004
Room B201, 0935 hours

Members:

Linda Arnold
Alan Cooper
Laura Cullen
Deanna Douglas
Penny Gallagher
Martin Gerson
Marg Heldman
Linda Holmes, Chair
Ken Jillings
Reba Noel (absent)
Pam Novak-Cawley

Brian Pendleton
David Pepper
Christine Peterson
Lynn Scarborough
Roger Semmens
Doug Soo
Dennis Steeves
Gloria Swadden
Jaroslav Welz
Nancy Wickham

Guest:

Jay Strachan

CAMPUS MASTER PLANNING – PRESENTATION BY HANCOCK BRUCKNER ENG & WRIGHT / TEEPLE ARCHITECTS

Steven Teeple and Hilde Heyvaerts made a presentation, giving an analysis of the current site and outlining three schematic concepts. Site considerations include the existing buildings and the nature of the neighbourhood (low-rise residential); the drawbacks of surface parking; improved accessibility due to the prospective RAV line station at West 49th Avenue and Cambie Street; and Parks Board plans to improve the space between Langara College property and YMCA to the west.

All three schematic concepts take into account the gymnasium expansion and include underground parking below the three new buildings, improved pedestrian walkways, a new quad (green space), and preservation of the majority or all of the forecourt. The advantages and disadvantages of the different placements for the proposed multipurpose classroom building, new library, and proposed creative arts building were outlined.

The master plan is expected to be completed in January 2005. According to this 25-year plan, construction will include underground parking, library and classroom building, creative arts building, gymnasium expansion, and multipurpose classroom building with the parking and library/classroom building being the first to be implemented and the others to follow as Ministry approval and funding permit.

L. Holmes noted that our current zoning by-law indicates that any increase in 'footprint' requires that Langara College increase parking by an additional 200-250 parking spaces.

An Open House/Public Consultation regarding Campus Master Planning will take place today, Tuesday, September 14, 2004, in the Main Foyer from 1500-2000 hours and another one will be held on Saturday, September 18, 2004 from 1000-1500 hours.

The next steps are an Urban Design Panel Workshop with the City on September 29, 2004 and in November 2004, with the presentation to Council in January 2005 for approval.

1. REVIEW OF AGENDA

L. Holmes introduced the two new Council members, LSU Representatives Lynn Scarborough and Jaroslav Welz. All other meeting attendees introduced themselves briefly.

There were no additions to the agenda. The agenda was approved as circulated.

2. REVIEW OF MINUTES AND BUSINESS ARISING

a. Draft Minutes of the Meeting held Tuesday, May 4, 2004

New Student Orientation

C. Peterson gave a verbal report regarding the New Student Orientation barbeque which took place on September 2, 2004. Approximately 600 students attended the event, which included workshops, entertainment, and a speech from the Dean. Evaluation forms were completed by attendees, and the feedback was very positive. A report is being prepared and will be circulated.

Luminis Portal Project

D. Douglas explained that there is one more software issue to be worked out before this project can go forward. At this point, Luminis and Banner are not totally compatible. L. Holmes indicated that this project is about four months behind schedule.

It was moved by R. Semmens; seconded by L. Arnold

**THAT the minutes of the Langara Council meeting held on
May 4, 2004, be approved.**

Carried

3. CURRICULUM ITEMS

a. Education Council Meeting held on April 13, 2004

P. Novak-Cawley noted that items with financial implications have been dealt with.

Human Performance & Recreation courses have been renamed from HMPF to HKIN to align them with Human Kinetics courses offered at the University of British Columbia (UBC).

b. Education Council Meeting held on May 11, 2004

The Nursing department changed the name of the Collaborative Nursing Program to the Nursing Program.

P. Novak-Cawley announced that a group has been formed to look into streamlining the process for curriculum change approval from Education Council.

4. ACTION ITEMS

There were no action items.

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

a. Registration Update - 200430

P. Gallagher distributed statistics from the Registrar's Office which she had prepared, comparing admissions and registration between Fall Semester 2003 and Fall Semester 2004 (copy attached). In summary, there are fewer new applicants, fewer new registrants, and fewer new students in Fall Semester 2004 as compared to Fall Semester 2003.

D. Douglas indicated that overall, decreasing enrollments have been reported from other colleges.

D. Steeves noted that although Creative Arts had increased their enrolment fees, there was still a high number of walk-aways. Some of these were attributed to the high course fees.

L. Holmes noted that enrolment management issues were being looked at by M. Gerson and L. Arnold.

N. Wickham noted that two campaigns took place during the previous academic year to promote and advertise programs.

B. Pendleton noted that last year, additional sections were added to courses at the last minute due to demand. M. Gerson noted that this year, there was less demand so additional sections were not added and some sections in the base budget were cancelled due to low enrolment.

b. Langara College Open House – November 5 and 6, 2004

An announcement has been included in "By the Way ..." to inform employees of the

event.

It was suggested that the successful track records of Langara university transfer program students be emphasized. For example, Langara students who transfer to Simon Fraser University (SFU) achieve GPA's at par with other SFU students upon graduation.

N. Wickham said that there is a planning group of approximately 30 people (including Division Chairs, Council members, and others) that is meeting on a weekly basis now. She will have a better idea of departmental plans once the planning papers come in.

D. Soo encouraged all participating departments, with the exception of the specialty departments, to hold displays in public areas in order to create atmosphere during the event. He noted that he hoped for minimal disruption to Continuing Studies programming on those days to ensure that classes would not have to be moved or cancelled.

As this event will take place on a Friday and Saturday, L. Holmes noted that K. Jillings is working on a plan to address how staff will be compensated for time spent assisting with the Open House.

There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 1050 hours.