

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF EDUCATION COUNCIL HELD MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2013 AT 9:00AM BOARDROOM - NEW WESTMINSTER CAMPUS

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3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Secretary advised of an error in the Draft November Minutes, item 6.10 should have read "Educational Affiliations" policy and not "International Education" policy. As well, a Council member noted that the name of the

MOVED by S. Badanic; SECONDED by K. Koenig, THAT Education Council approve the su bmitted guidelines for : ENGL 3110, 3130, £150; MODL 1111, 1112, 2211, £1212; STGE 1207, 2306, 2307, 2311, £2430; SPSC 2275, 3158, 3203, 3240, 3256, 3275, 3276, 3399, 4101, 4199, 4211, 4231, 4256, £1291 .

The Motion was **CARRIED**.

4.2 <u>Articulation Agreement: National Theatre School</u>

Meg Stainsby was invited to speak to this item.

A Council member noted that there were some inconsistencies in the presentation of the agreement that made it difficult to fully understand; specifically the varied use of terms such as advised that other public post secondary institutions have already adopted policy language to the same effect; that the credential can only be obtained from the institution where you've taken the more rigorous courses.

Additionally, it was noted that the policy shouldn't create barriers for programs where students may have the opportunity to finish their program abroad.

There being no further discussion,

There was unanimous consent to Short -cycle the referral .

MOVED by K. Denton; SECONDED by A. Helewka, THAT Education Council refer this item to the Policy Committee.

The Motion was CARRIED.

5.2 <u>Program Proposal: Kinesiology Minor</u>

This item has been postponed at the request of the initiating department.

5.3 Program Revision: Computing Science and Information Systems

The Chair welcomed Barbara Allen to speak to this item. Barbara noted that a lot of time has gone into the process of updating and overhauling the program.

A Council member expressed confusion with the use of the "cloud", given the FIPPA guidelines. Barbara explained that the program uses a web service that doesn't require specific identifiers such as student numbers; it is essentially anonymous.

There was lengthy discussion with regard to communications course requirements and their placement within the program. Barb advised that they are building more oral and written assignments into the courses, as students tend to take their communication requirement in their last semester.

T. James raised a query regarding prerequisites for English and Math, noting a discrepancy between the regular admission requirement of "C" in English 12, and the requirement for Communications 1115 which is a "B". K. Denton noted that this is an institutional issue that will need a College-wide solution; in the interim she proposed a broad operational requirement flagging that English 12 with a "B" may be necessary.

Responding to a question about bridging into degrees, Barb noted that they are working on moving forward with transferring, but the focus for now is the success of the diploma program. As well, she was asked about the currency of the program, as far as keeping the information from quickly becoming obsolete. Barb outlined teaching concepts rather than specific software within the web environment; coursework that is somewhat generic especially at the beginning. She did advise that keeping current hardware is essential to the program, and they are working closely with CEIT.

ACTION:

Please refer this item to your constituency groups for consideration of approval at the January meeting.

5.4 Concept Paper: International Business Management

The Chair welcomed Brian Sugg, Eugene Dy, Anish Bania, Cluesa Yamamoto and