

**Okanagan College Education Council  
Minutes of Thursday, December 2, 2021 4:00 pm  
Via Collaborate**

**Present:** N Fassina, A Hay, B Burge, W Gillett, R Tyner, M Somerville, C Newitt,  
A Krebs, B Wyatt, B Penfound, S Bajwa, A Alexander, J Ragsdale, Y Khmelevsky, P  
Lefebvre, S Lembke, L Mallory, D Marques

**Regrets:** T Walters, C Farrow

**Absent:** S Choudhary

**Guests:** K Douglas, J Hobart, S Speers, Y Moritz

**Recorder:** S Gayle

**1. Determination of quorum and call to order**  
C Newitt called the meeting to order at 4:01 pm

**2. Adoption of the agenda**  
**Motion:** R Tyner/W Gillett  
That Education Council approves the agenda as presented.  
**Carried**

**3. Approval of the minutes**  
**Motion:** A Krebs/M Somerville  
That Education Council approves the minutes of the November 4, 2021 Education Council  
meeting as presented.  
**Carried**

**4. Business arising**

**5. New business**

**5.1 Curriculum recommended by the CPRC - STH**  
**a. Course revision: PHYS 202 Engineering Mechanics I**

**Motion:** B Wyatt/A Krebs

That Education Council approves the course revision: PHYS 202 Engineering

Mechanics I as recommended by the CPRC - STH

**b. Course revision: PHYS 215 Thermodynamics**

**Motion:** R Tyner/A Alexander

That Education Council approves the course revision: PHYS 215 Thermodynamics as recommended by the CPRC STH:

- K Douglas highlighted that the revision for PHYS 215 was the addition of a prerequisite.
- MATH 122/MATH 147 added to be taken by students.

**Carried**

**c. Course revision: MATH 221 Introduction to Linear Algebra**

**Motion:** B Penfound/B Wyatt

That Education Council approves the course revision: MATH 221 Introduction to Linear Algebra as recommended by the CPRC STH:

- Linear

- C Newitt requested that the Education Council office follow-up regarding the changes that are to be made.

**Carried**

**e. Course revision: STAT 310 Regression Analysis**

- As above.

**Carried**

**f. Course revision: STAT 311 Modern Statistical Methods**

- As above.

**Carried**

**g. Course revision: DSCI 300 Data Wrangling and Visualization**

- As above.

**Carried**

**h. Course revision: DSCI 310 Mathematics Computation**

- As above.

**Carried**

**5.2 Strategic Plan**

**Motion:** C Newitt/B Wyatt

That Education Council recommends to the Board of Governors the Strategic Plan as presented with the understanding that non-substantive revisions may be necessary prior to review by the Board of Governors.

- N Fassina thanked Education Council for once again facilitating the Strategic Plan.
- The Strategic Plan contains three (3) primary documents:
  - Briefing notes where we are as an institution/where we are coming from (background)
  - Most recent plan
  - Strategic road map
- The process of development has been ongoing for almost a year. Environmental scan work has been done and included what was going on at OC as well as in higher education.
- Meetings will be held with the relevant stakeholders to ensure that all needs are met.
- The Strategic Plan is a collaborative document that incorporates a myriad of ideas.
- N Fassina noted that the working group was able to bypass the Strategic Option Step/s due to the convergence of ideas.
- B Penfound thanked N Fassina for the information and sought clarification around the terminology and framework around equity, diversity, inclusion and social justice (EDISJ).
- N Fassina explained that the role was to create an inclusive concept. The social justice aspect looks at proactively creating justice for the marginalized.
- The working group wanted to ensure that social justice was part of the Strategic Plan.
- B Penfound sought clarification on how negative outcomes would be addressed.
- N Fassina noted it was about ensuring that progress is made and all considerations would be part of the discussion moving forward.
- P Lefebvre noted that it was important to ensure that conversations are meaningful for the marginalized.
- N Fassina outlined that within the space, the pursuit of EDISJ and reconciliation were important. Everyone plays a role and shares the responsibilities.
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- N Fassina noted that the key feedback was that language /words matter. The strategies encompass what it means to be a college, who we are as institution and where we want to be as institution.
- C Newitt outlined that it will be important to measure and ensure that goals are being met.
- Encouraged members to reflect on the Strategic Plan and how it will shape discussions at the table. Looking at the bigger picture and the impact on learners.

**Carried with one opposed**

### **5.3 Standing committee reports**

- Operations Committee**
  - Met on:
    - November 8, 2021 and
    - November 12, 2021.
  - Minutes to come in camera.
- ARP Committee**
  - Not met.
- CCC Committee**
  - Not met.
- Tributes Committee**
  - Met on November 29, 2021.
  - Report to come in camera.

## **6. Reports**

### **6.1 Council Chair's report C Newitt**

- C Newitt noted that there was not much to report. Kuali is up and running and training has been taking place.
- Persons find it easy to use the system.
- Addressing any issues that arise.
- Last meeting using collaborate, Zoom will be used in January.

### **6.2 President & Vice-President Academic and Provost report A Hay**

- N Fassina noted that work was being done to advocate for resources that the college needs.
- A Hay nothing to report.

### **6.3 Registrar's report B Burge**

- Nothing to report.

### **6.4 Board of Governor's report A Alexander**

- A Alexander while outlining that there was nothing to report, expressed enthusiasm about the Strategic Plan, the discussions that would take place and the fact that the values were indigenized.
- The Strategic Plan looked promising as it was aimed at building up the community through education.
- Appreciated that the plan spoke to/incorporated reconciliation.

### **6.5 Curriculum and Calendar Management project update**

- C Newitt noted that the system was now branded with the OC logo.
- Currently most of the work is training people and getting them up to speed.
- Things are progressing well with the system.
- EdCo Chair and EdCo office are available for training.

- B Burge noted that it was nice to see the progression of the proposals which ensures transparency.
- R Tyner reiterated
- Looking forward to the use of Kualii.

**7. In camera session**

**Motion:** B Penfound/M Somerville  
That Education Council moves in camera.  
**Carried**

**a. November 8, 2021 Operations Committee minutes**

**Motion:** M Somerville/A Hay  
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