

# Academic Council Meeting MINUTES

Tuesday, October 10, 2023

5:00 – 6:30 p.m.

Microsoft Teams & CELT 8-204



Time	Agenda Item	Action	Owner
<b>A. Welcome and Treaty Acknowledgment</b>			
5:01	Norma Schneider, Bev Suntjens, Loni Robertson, Debbie Little, Ian Howatt, Jadine Sherman, Sithara Fernando, Nancy Thornton, Rebecca Bock-Freeman, Jeannette LaBrie, Melanie Mattila, Desroy Headley, Janelle Morrison, Tracy Ross, Sheena Sereda, Martha Urquhart, Greg Eklics, Wendy Ilott, Jasmeen Kaur, Eloizza Caldamo, Jenifer Gabrillo-Salvador, Gretha Pedro, Tarandeep Singh, Angel Eustaquio, Esha Kaur Sanger, Aneesh Bhatia, Krizza de Jesus, Aditya Pratap Singh, Lezlee Tuthill, Prashant Viridi, Ama Dogbefou, Rebecca Hardie, Amanda Henry.  Scribe: Paula Valente  Meeting started at 5:01 p.m.		
<b>AGENDA ITEMS</b>			
5:03	<b>1. Approval of the Agenda</b>  Motion to approve the agenda items. Moved Sheena; Seconded Krizza.  <b>Motion Carried</b>	Decision	Norma Schneider, Vice President Academic
5:05	<b>2. Approval of the Minutes</b>  Motion to approve the minutes from the June 13 meeting. Moved Jadine; Seconded Melanie.  <b>Motion Carried</b>	Decision	Norma Schneider, Vice President Academic
<b>B. Approval Items</b>			

<p><b>5:08</b></p>	<p><b>3. Academic Council Chair Election</b></p> <p>Norma Schneider (Vice President Academic) initiate the process for the Academic Council Chair Election. She indicated the nomination process that resulted in having Bev Suntjens as the nominee for the Chair role. The call for nominations were held three times during the meeting. No further nominations for the Chair role were made.</p> <p>Bev Suntjens accepted her nomination for the Academic Council Chair role.</p> <p>MOTION to accept Bev Suntjens as the Academic Council Chair starting October 2023. Moved Rebecca; Seconded Krizza.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Motion approved.</b></p>	<p>Decision</p>	<p>Norma Schneider, Vice President Academic</p>
<p><b>5:21</b></p>	<p><b>4. 23-24 Academic Calendar</b></p> <p>Debbie Little (Director, Admissions and Supports) and Lezlee Tuthill (Registrar) presented on the 23-24 Academic Calendar to Academic Council. Dates presented are for the next academic year (2023-2024). Highlights from the presentation include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Truth and Reconciliation Day will fall on September 30, 2024 where the College will be closed with no classes being held.</li> <li>• Open House dates and Faculty Development dates are not yet available and not included in this presentation.</li> <li>• Convocation will likely be held during a 2-day event with 3-4 ceremonies depending on the number of students graduating.</li> <li>• PD Day is scheduled on November 20, 2024</li> </ul> <p>Academic Council has recommended explore the possibility to build 2-year cycle for the Academic Calendar moving forward.</p> <p>MOTION to approve the 23-24 Academic Calendar as presented. Moved Nancy; Seconded Esha.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Motion Carried</b></p>	<p>Decision</p>	<p>Lezlee Tuthill, Registrar</p>
<p><b>C. Information Items</b></p>			

<p><b>5:35</b></p>	<p><b>5. Justice and Indigenous Studies – Open Admissions Pathways (OAP)</b></p> <p>Rebecca Hardie (APM, Arts &amp; Sciences) provided information about changes in the Open Admissions Pathways (OAP) for the Justice and Indigenous Studies programs. The OAP for these two courses were approved back in the 22-23 academic year by Academic Council. There are only changes in the courses offered through the OAP. Courses included in the Justice OAP: JUST 1101, ENGL 2550, and PSYC 1060. Courses included in the Indigenous Studies OAP: INST 1000, ENGL 2550, and INST 1376.</p>	<p>Information</p>	<p>Rebecca Hardie, APM, Arts &amp; Sciences</p>
<p><b>5:48 Meeting Adjourns</b></p> <p>Motion to adjourn. Moved by Aditya. Meeting ended at 5:48pm.</p>			