

# Academic Council Meeting MINUTES

Tuesday, November 8, 2022

5:00 – 6:30 p.m.

Microsoft Teams & SCFL 3-160



Time	Agenda Item	Action	Owner
<b>A. Welcome and Treaty Acknowledgment</b>			
5:04	<p>Amanda Henry, Alvaro Ivan Garcia, Norma Schneider, Melanie Mattila, Dawn Witherspoon, Ian Howatt, Jennifer Rooke, Jadine Sherman, Yazmin Seade Castellanos, Diana Ramirez, Bridget Ayoku, Aniket Verma, Maricris Canubas, Debbie Little, Leah Poetzsch, Tracy Ross, Sahil, Mayme Wong, Morgan Chalifoux Wabasca, Navjot Kaur, Annaj Pandhi, Dev Kumar, Leonce Rushubirwa, Bev Suntjens, Ileana Perez, Jonathan Robb, Erin Turnell</p> <p>Scribe: Paula Valente</p> <p>Meeting started at 5:04 p.m.</p>		
<b>AGENDA ITEMS</b>			
5:06	<p><b>1. Approval of the Agenda</b></p> <p>Motion to approve the agenda items. Moved Sahil; Seconded Jadine.</p> <p><b>Motion Carried</b></p>	Decision	Dr. Leonce Rushubirwa, Chair
5:13	<p><b>2. Approval of the Minutes</b></p> <p>Motion to approve the minutes from the October 11, 2022 meeting. Moved Annaj; Seconded Sahil.</p> <p><b>Motion Carried</b></p>	Decision	Dr. Leonce Rushubirwa, Chair
<b>B. Approval Items</b>			

<p><b>5:15</b></p>	<p><b>3. Academic Schedule 23-24</b></p> <p><b>Lezlee Tuthill, Manager, Registrar</b> presented the academic schedule for 2023-2024.</p> <p>Upon consultation, a motion to amend the current request was recommended. <i>Motion to amend the request to extend the Fall break to 4 days and have the start date of Fall 2023 to be August 28, 2023.</i> Moved by Sahil; Seconded by Jennifer.</p> <p><b>Motion approved.</b></p> <p>Upon amendment, the motion that approves the Fall 2023 schedule to change for the 23-24 academic year was approved (19 votes in favour).</p> <p><b>Motion approved.</b></p>	<p>Decision</p>	<p>Lezlee Tuthill, Manager, Registrar</p>
<p><b>5:42</b></p>	<p><b>4. Therapeutic Recreation Diploma program changes</b></p> <p><b>Erin Turnell, Program Chair, Faculty of Health Studies</b> presented the proposal to change the course architecture for the Therapeutic Recreation Diploma program.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remove TRDC 1004 – Therapeutic Recreation: Community Service Learning I (1 credit)</li> <li>• Increase RPRT 1000 – Therapeutic Recreation Community Field Placement from 3 credits to 4 credits (120hr placement to 160 hr placement)</li> <li>• Move ASCL 1000 – Assisting Clients I from term 3 to term 2 (3 credits)</li> </ul> <p><i>Motion to approve the major program changes to the Therapeutic Recreation program.</i> Moved by Melanie; Seconded by Sahil.</p> <p><b>Motion approved.</b></p>	<p>Decision</p>	<p>Erin Turnell, Program Chair, Faculty of Health Studies</p>

**C. Discussion Items**

<p><b>6:02</b></p>	<p><b>5. Tuition &amp; Fees: Consultation</b></p> <p>Jonathan Robb, VP, Learner Experience, presented on the Tuition &amp; Fees 2023-24. The consultation process has been initiated and will return on December 2022 and January 2023 for validations.</p>		<p>Jonathan Robb, VP, Learner Experience / Ileana Perez, Senior Executive Associate, Learner Experience</p>
<p><b>6:20</b></p>	<p><b>6. Anti-Racism Working Group: Updates</b></p> <p>Dawn shared the two anti-racism draft statements for Council review and feedback. Majority in favour of statement 2 – <i>“Academic Council is a community of leaders with representation from teaching areas across the college. As a collective, we are committed to creating a space that supports antiracism actions, and promotes equity, diversity and inclusion in our college programs. We have the responsibility to make decisions that removes barriers to our systems and programs and ensure a greater representation of learners. When we unite our voices and pair them with actions, we can end oppression and racism. We achieve this through compassion, honesty, courage and humility.”</i></p> <p>Upon collecting feedback, Dawn indicated that next steps include a second meeting with student volunteers in November and a meeting with the Anti-Racism Lead. The group will return for approval of the statement on the AC meeting in December.</p>		<p>Dawn Witherspoon, Manager, Curriculum Development</p>
<p><b>6:25</b></p>	<p><b>7. Request for Information:</b></p> <p>Alvaro submitted a request for information to ask what actions can NorQuest take to support international students in taking advantage of the change to study permit requirements – removal of the limit on the number of hours students on study permits can work while in school. Specifically, the possibility for A sections to have recorded lectures to increase the flexibility for students.</p>		<p>Alvaro Ivan Garcia, Student</p>

**6:32**

**Meeting Adjourns**

Motion to adjourn. Meeting ended at 6:32pm.