

Academic Council Meeting MINUTES

Tuesday, Oct 14, 2025

5:00 – 6:30 PM

SCFL 3-175



Time	Agenda Item	Action	Owner
A. Welcome and Treaty Acknowledgment			
5:00	<p>Attendees: Bailey Sousa, Bev Suntjens, Ryan McKale, Meagan LaRiviere, Loni Robertson, Morgan Gauthier, Debbie Little, Cindy Boucher, Arlene Eaton-Erickson, Melanie Mattila Bonnie Holtby, Karen Cook-Newbury, Erin Turnell, Janelle Morrison, Taylor Scanlon, Ortensia Norton, Anne Bello, Jeff Ryan, Heba Abukhadra, Khadijat Idowu, Irine Rijo, Anish Ranabhat, Arnold Lapay, Sukhmapreet Kaur, Gursimran Kaur, Jissell Diaz, Tiffany Brochu, Safa Harb</p> <p>Regrets: Nancy Thornton, Norma Schnieder, Rowena Quedado, Anjana Jagatheesh, Trinity Amable, Sehajveer Singh</p> <p>Guests: Lezlee Tuthill</p> <p>Scribe: Safa Harb Meeting started at 5:00 PM.</p>		
A.	AGENDA ITEMS		
5:05	<p>1. Approval of Agenda – Oct 14, 2025</p> <p>MOTION: That Academic Council approve the presented Oct 14, 2025 Agenda. Moved by [Melanie Mattila]. Seconded by [Bonnie Holtby]. All in favour. Motion Passed.</p>	Approval	Bev Suntjens (Chair)
5:10	<p>2. Approval of the Minutes – May 13, 2025</p> <p>MOTION: That Academic Council approved the May 13, 2025 minutes via e-voting during June 17 meeting.</p>		Bev Suntjens (Chair)
	APPROVAL ITEMS		

5:20	<p>3. 2026-2027 Academic Schedule</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Term Dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Summer: July 2 – August 21, 2026 ○ Fall: August 31 – December 16, 2026 ○ Winter: January 4 – April 21, 2027 ○ Spring (short): May 3 – June 25, 2027 ○ Spring/Summer (long): May 3 – August 20, 2027 <p>These dates guide class scheduling, withdrawals, penalties, and planning across the college.</p> • New Payment Line <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Payment Due: On or before the first day of term ○ Wording changed to clarify that late fee applies to outstanding balances, not that tuition is due on that date. • New FTR (Fail to Reporting) Line <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ FTR Reporting begins in August ○ Student attendance is confirmed the month before term starts ○ Data gathered before add/drop deadlines to manage waitlists and late additions. • December Break <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Faculty: December 18 – January 1 ○ AUPE: December 24 – January 1 <p>Faculty break includes 10 consecutive days per agreement. AUPE dates may change pending new agreement.</p> • Interim Breaks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Fall Break: November 9–13, 2026 ○ Winter Break: February 16–19, 2027 <p>Both breaks span 4 working days, with December 18 noted as a fifth day.</p> • Instructional Days by Term <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Term Days ○ Summer 2026 ~ 36 ○ Fall 2026 ~ 74 ○ Winter 2027 ~ 74 ○ Spring (short) ~ 38 ○ Spring/Summer (long) ~ 75 <p>Next Steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implementation of dates in PeopleSoft Campus Solutions for October opening of applications for the 2026-2027 Academic year. <p>Questions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What does PD Day mean? Is this meant to be Academic Learning Day? This is a typo-error and will be removed as Academic Learning Day scheduled for November 25th is cancelled. • Is Culture Day cancelled? It will take place in January at a smaller scale. 	Approval	Lezlee Tuthill
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	<p>MOTION: that Academic Council approves the proposed 2026-2027 Academic Schedule.</p> <p>Moved by [Cindy Boucher]. Seconded by [Heba Abukhadra].</p> <p>All in favour. Motion Passed.</p>		
5:45	<p>Meeting Adjourns</p> <p>Moved by Sukhmanpreet Kaur. Meeting ended at 5.45 PM.</p>		