

**Okanagan College Education Council
Minutes of Thursday, March 2, 2023 4:00 pm
S 103B – Student Services Boardroom – Kelowna Campus & Zoom**

Present: J Garrett, W Gillett, D Marques, A Krebs, B Hall, D Mehus, B Penfound, M Somerville, R Tyner, R Dupuis, L Mallory, (Zoom):S Chhabra, J Ragsdale, T Walters

Regrets: N Fassina, A Hay, S Lembke, M Martin

Absent: A Alexander

- Following a discussion, D Marques recommended that as an action item, there would
-up to EdCo regarding same.
- R Dupuis concurred and indicated that a broader discussion was required.
- A Krebs reiterated the ten (10) year course offering.

Carried as outlined

c. Course revision: ASTR 111 Astronomy I

Motion: D Mehus/R Tyner

That Education Council approves the course revision: ASTR 111 Astronomy I as recommended by the CPRC ST:

- T Bridges explained to members that the revisions for ASTR 111, ASTR 112, ASTR 121 and ASTR 122 are similar changes to prerequisite requirements.
- Although there was not a significant amount of math done in the course, expanding the math prerequisites would enhance student success.
- A Krebs reiterated that Principles of Mathematics 11 and Applications of Mathematics 11 have not been offered for ten (10) years.

Carried

d. Course revision: ASTR 112 Astronomy I

Motion: B Penfound/J Garrett

That Education Council approves the course revision: ASTR 112 Astronomy I as recommended by the CPRC ST:

- Expanding prerequisite offering.
- A Krebs reiterated the issues outlined for ASTR 111, which would be similar for ASTR 121 and ASTR 122.

Carried

e. Course revision: ASTR 121 Astronomy II

Motion: M Somerville/R Tyner

That Education Council approves the course revision: ASTR 121 Astronomy II as recommended by the CPRC ST:

- As outlined.

Carried

f. Course revision: ASTR 122 Astronomy II

Motion: B Penfound/A Krebs

That Education Council approves the course revision: ASTR 122 Astronomy II as recommended by the CPRC ST:

- As outlined.

Carried

g. New program: Associate of Science Degree: Combined PHYS/MATH Emphasis

Motion: D Mehus/B Penfound

That Education Council approves the new program: Associate of Science Degree: Combined PHYS/MATH Emphasis as recommended by the CPRC ST:

- R Federley provided an overview of the new program/specialization noting that there was currently no emphasis for physics.
- There is a need for Physicists and a drive for students to take the program.
- New program will open doors for students to transfer to UBCO.
- New program follows other specializations in Associate of Science.
- W Gillett sought clarification on whether career opportunities would be available for a student who completes the specialization.
- R Federley clarified that this might be possible and dialogue was in progress with stakeholders regarding same.

- T Bridges added that courses were being developed to build a strong two-year emphasis.
- D Mehus sought clarification on whether this was an additional diploma or stream within the Associate of Science degree.
- R Federley clarified that the new program was a specialization.

Carried

5.4 Standing committee reports

- a. Operations Committee
 - Minutes to come in camera.
- b. ARP Committee
 - Not met.
- c. CCC Committee
 - Not met.
- d. Tributes Committee
 - Not met.
 - Two new members approved for the committee - T Berg and J Garrett.

6. Reports

6.1 Council Chair's report D Marques

- D Marques outlined the following:
 Advised members to have persons experiencing any difficulties with Kual
 reach out to the EdCo office or the Chair of EdCo.
 Matters around Tributes communicated to the Chair of Tributes.

6.2 VP Academic and Provost report A Hay

- No report.

6.3 Registrar's report

- No report.

6.4 Board of Governor's report A Alexander

- No report.

7. In camera session

Motion: A Krebs/M Somerville
 That Education Council moves in camera.

Carried

a. December 19, 2022 Operations Committee minutes

Motion: J Garrett/D Mehus
 That Education Council accepts the December 19, 2022 Operations committee meeting minutes as presented.

Carried

b. February 24, 2023 Operations Committee minutes

Motion: M Somerville/D Mehus

That Education Council accepts the February 24, 2023 Operations committee meeting minutes as presented.

Carried

Motion: M Somerville/R Tyner

That Education Council moves out of camera.

Carried

8. Date, time of next regular meeting – Thursday, April 6, 2023 at 4:00 pm.

9. Deadline for agenda items – Wednesday, March 28, 2023 at 12:00 pm.

10. Adjournment at 5:14 pm

Motion to adjourn: D Mehus/A Krebs

Carried