

**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 Kualu 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