



EDUCATION COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, October 2, 2019

BOARDROOMS

12:00 PM – 2:00 PM

PRESENT:

Ken Tourand
Kylie Thomas
Ursula Katic
Tom Willms
Andrew Jack

John Chenoweth
Bev Currie-Mclean
Denyse Oswald-Finch
Lesley Manuel

Aruna Gore
Elaine Herbert
Jenny Stirling
Nkikaxni (Xni) Grismer-Voght

ABSENT:

Tessa Quewezance
Nedra McKay
Alan Casper

Verna Billy-Minnabarriet
Eric Ostrowidzki
Billie Pierre

Mandy Jimmie
Jaime Grismer

GUESTS:

Connie Strayer

Rita Cavaliere

Recorder: Kelly Donaldson

Chair Elaine Herbert called the meeting to order at 12:16pm.

Welcome and Introductions

1. Review and/ or acceptance of the Agenda

Motion 1: To accept the Agenda

Moved by John Chenoweth, 2nd by Xni Grismer-Voght

CARRIED

2. Review and/ or acceptance of the Minutes from May 29, 2019

Motion 2: Move to accept the Minutes from May 29, 2019

Moved by Tom Willms, 2nd by Bev Currie-McLean

CARRIED

Part A Education Council Decision Items (Section 24 of Act)

A.1 Disability Services Statement on NVIT Course Outlines

Motion 3: To add a disability services statement that reads *“Students wishing to obtain disability-related academic accommodations and/or auxiliary aids are required to contact the Student Success Centre as soon as possible”* to NVIT course outlines

Moved by Kylie Thomas, 2nd by Aruna Gore

CARRIED

Discussion: In an effort to normalize the accommodation process, a statement is required on NVIT course outlines. By including the statement on course outlines, students are advised that they can access reasonable accommodations to support their learning journey. Disability services are available to all NVIT students, both on and off campus.

A.2 NSYL Course Outlines (Language Fluency Degree Framework)

Motion 4: To accept the NSYL language course outlines

Moved by John Chenoweth, 2nd by Ursula Katic

CARRIED

Motion 5: To end NSYL 110, NSYL 111, NSYL 150, NSYL 151, NSYL 152, NSYL 153, NSYL 154, NSYL 255, NSYL 257, INST 245, INST 145, and NSYL 360 effective December 31, 2019

Moved by Kylie Thomas, 2nd by John Chenoweth

CARRIED

Motion 6: To accept renaming course INLG 140 and INLG 240 to INLG 160 and INLG 260

Moved by Kylie Thomas, 2nd by John Chenoweth

CARRIED

Motion 7: To approve the course completion for the certificate program as provided as NSYL 110, NSYL 111, NSYL 112, NSYL 120, NSYL 121, NSYL 122, NSYL 130, NSYL 131, NSYL 132, INLG 180, and INLG 181

Moved by Kylie Thomas, 2nd by John Chenoweth

CARRIED

Motion 8: To approve the course completion for the diploma program as provided as NSYL 210, NSYL 211, NSYL 350, NSYL 220, NSYL 221, NSYL 230, NSYL 231, NSYL 330, INGL 160, INLG 260

Moved by Kylie Thomas, 2nd by John Chenoweth

CARRIED

Discussion: The language fluency degree framework continues to be worked on by linguists in the region. NVIT will deliver the certificate and diploma for NSYL courses and UBCO will deliver years 3 & 4. The course outlines and framework have been submitted to the Senate at UBCO. Once finalized, the framework will guide the development of language fluency degrees in the province.

INLG 140 & INLG 240 were renumbered to INGL 160 & INLG 260 as per Kylie Thomas.

A.3 SOCW 457: Change SOCW 457 from Core Course to an Elective

Motion 9: To change the graduation requirements for the Bachelor's of Social Work program effective September 1, 2019 to 9 core courses and 8 electives

CORE COURSES:

SOCW 301: Introduction to Social Work Research
SOCW 304: Social Work Field Practice
SOCW 306: Theory and Ideology of Social Work
SOCW 311: Indigenous Perspectives on Social Policy
SOCW 320: Trauma Informed Social Theory and Practice
SOCW 353: Social Work Practice with Individuals
SOCW 402: Social Work Field Practice
SOCW 404: Ethical Practice in Aboriginal Communities
SOCW 486: Aboriginal Social Work Practice

ELECTIVES:

SOCW 457: Aboriginal Social Work Theory
SOCW 340: Social Work and Healthcare
SOCW 350: Social Work, Law and Social Policy
SOCW 358: Legal Skills for Social Workers
SOCW 375: Cultural Immersion
SOCW 376: Child Welfare Practice
SOCW 359: Advanced Individual Social Work Practice
SOCW 420: Family Violence and Social Work
SOCW 430: Sexual Diversity and Social Work Practice
SOCW 440: Social Work and Mental Health
SOCW 445: Aboriginal Health and Wellness
SOCW 450: Leadership Practice in Social Work
SOCW 452: Education for Social Change
SOCW 455: Social Work Practice with Communities
SOCW 460: Special Topics in Social Work
SOCW 465: Older People, Aging and Society
SOCW 461: Social Work with Groups
SOCW 466: Addictions
SOCW 477: Family Practice
SOCW 478: Introduction to Disability Studies
SOCW 490: Directed Studies

Moved by Elaine Herbert, 2nd by Aruna Gore

CARRIED

Motion 10: To remove SOCW 457 as a core course and categorize SOCW 457 as an elective effective August 31, 2019

Moved by Elaine Herbert, 2nd by Kylie Thomas

CARRIED

Discussion: Elaine Herbert relinquished Chair to Ursula Katic. Elaine advised that SOCW 457 is no longer required as a core course to graduate from the social work program. By changing the course to an elective, the course is no longer mandatory. Thus, graduation requirements do no change, only the number of mandatory courses change in the program.

Elaine Herbert resumed Chair duties.

Part B Education Council & Board of Governors Advisory Items (Section 23 of the Act)

B.1 SPAC Minutes dated Septmeber 4, 2019 were presented and acknowledged.

Part C Other

C.1 EdCo Chair and Vice-Chair Election

Ken Tourand officiated election.

CHAIR

Bev Currie-McLean nominated Elaine Herbert for Chair, 2nd by Tom Willms. Elaine Herbert accepted nomination.

Elaine Herbert was acclaimed EdCo Chair for a one-year term.

VICE-CHAIR

Kylie Thomas nominated Ursula Katic for Vice-Chair, 2nd by Bev Currie-McLean. Ursula Katic declined nomination.

Bev Currie-McLean nominated Jenny Stirling, 2nd by Xni Grismer-Voght. Jenny Stirling accepted nomination.

Jenny Stirling was acclaimed EdCo Vice-Chair for a one-year term.

Ken Tourand turned Chair duties over to Elaine Herbert.

C.2 EdCo Formalization and Procedures Update

Elaine Herbert advised that the priorities for EdCo this year will continue to be establishing a formalized process for EdCo, finalizing the appeals policy, the implementation of the ILOs in the classroom, and preparing how graduation requirements in the K-12 system will impact entrance requirements and pre-requisites at NVIT. Elaine will attend the upcoming EdCo governance meeting in Kelowna and continue to attend Board meetings on behalf of EdCo.

C.3 Future Education Council Meeting Date

SPAC: October 30, 2019

EdCo: November 27, 2019

C.4 Adjournment

Motion 11: To adjourn by Xni Grismer-Voght

CARRIED