## LANGARA COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting held on Tuesday, October 25, 2011 Room C408 at 0930 hours

#### Members:

Fraser Archibald
Linda Arnold
John Belshaw
Lynn Carter (absent)
Julia Denholm
Deanna Douglas
Charlotte French
Siddharth Gautam
Martin Gerson
Margaret Heldman
Ian Humphreys
Ken Jillings
Gerda Krause

Julie Longo
Grace Makarewicz
Ian McBain
Gordon McNeil
Clayton Munro
Ajay Patel (absent)
Brian Pendleton
Joanne Rajotte
David Ross, Chair
Pierre-Andre Santin
Doug Soo (absent)
Tomo Tanaka

Wendy Watson (absent)

Gurbax Leelh

#### **Guests:**

Noel Currie, Instructor, English Department Korena Jang, Manager, Executive and Board Operations Daniel Thorpe, Program Manager, Business Finance & Computer Technology, Continuing Studies

### Recorder:

Diana Falcon, Administrative Assistant, Executive Office

#### 1. REVIEW OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved with the following addition:

- 4. For Information
  - c) President's Update D. Ross

#### 2. REVIEW OF MINUTES AND BUSINESS ARISING

# a) Draft Minutes of the Meeting held October 4, 2011

The Minutes of the Meeting held on October 4, 2011 were accepted.

# **Business Arising**

### **Back to Baseline Update**

C. French provided an update on the Back to Baseline project noting that the web application portion went live on schedule with its first applicant completed by 9:20 am and a total of five students successfully through the system by the end of the day. She thanked



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Information Technology, Accounts Receivable, Sungard and the many other groups outside the Registrar's Office who assisted during the test phase. She further noted that the next phase to go live by the end of November 2011 is the Catalogue and Schedule.

### 3. FOR INFORMATION

# a) INSCOL Partnership

M. Heldman noted that on August 30, 2011, Langara signed a Memorandum of Understanding with INSCOL Academy, the education division of INSCOL Healthcare Ltd. a leading healthcare provider in Chandigarh, Punjab (India). This partnership is the fulfilment of the Langara School of Nursing's strategic goal to engage in International Education and will provide up to 40 three-year diploma/degree nurses, who are registered with the Indian Nursing Council, an opportunity to attend Langara and complete a Post Graduate Certificate in Nursing Leadership and Management. INSCOL Academy has partners around the globe with five (including Langara College) in Canada. The first group of students are scheduled to arrive in May 2012 and will stay for eight months, and the second group will arrive in January 2013.

### b) Sussex Partnership

J. Belshaw noted that the Memorandum of Understanding signed with Britain's University of Sussex will provide a pathway for Langara students to study toward a law degree in as little as five years. The Law School at Sussex will guarantee a place in their program to Langara students who have completed 60 credits of university-transferable study in Arts, Science, or Business and who meet the GPA requirements, without any placement testing like the Law School Admissions Test (LSAT). The Sussex LLB degree program is recognized worldwide and is based on the British Common Law system. He highlighted his recent visit to the University of Sussex where he toured the facility and discussed the type of support that international students would receive. An information session was held in October 2011 and approximately 42 students attended.

## c) TEDx Langara

J. Belshaw noted that a first ever TEDx Langara event will be held on November 18, 2011. Organized mostly by BBA students with assistance from the Langara School of Management, Co-op Education and alumni, TEDx Langara is a unique opportunity for students to meet an exceptional group of individuals representing the event theme "Leadership Inspiring Our World". Featured speakers include:

Sam Sullivan, former Mayor of Vancouver and Canadian Paralympic Ambassador Terry McBride, Co-founder & CEO of Nettwerk Music Group and YYoga Faye Wightman, President & CEO of the Vancouver Foundation Doug Burgoyne, Co-founder & President of FROGBOX and Eco-entrepreneur Ron Kubara, VP Sales & Marketing Canada, Worldwide Strategic Sales & Planning at Noritsu America

Allison Bond, Assistant Deputy Minister at the BC Ministry of Social Development

Invitations will go out to Langara students and employees and since seating is limited, registration will be required.

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# President's Update

D. Ross provided an update on the following:

- Reorganization announcement;
- Government's commitment to a balanced budget;
- Funding to be provided to maintain not increase;
- Ministry is vying for the return of some of the minor capital monies for facilities maintenance that was reduced several years ago;
- Jobs Plan BC and the Federal Government's access to the monies available since the awarding was moved from the Ministry of Advanced Education to Jobs, Tourism and Innovation branch.

### Other:

I. Humphreys reminded members of the Creative Arts Division's annual "Art-fully Yours" student art auction being held on December 1, 2011 from 6:00 – 9:00 pm which will recognize the exemplary talents of our students.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1026 hours.