

MEETING OF THE PLANNING COUNCIL FOR OPEN LEARNING

Thursday, May 10, 2019 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM CN Boardroom, 3rd Floor Clock Tower Building (Kamloops Campus)

MINUTES

Present

Christine Bovis-Cnossen (Chair), Airini, Kourtney Cameron, Brian Lamb, Michelle Lamberson (by teleconference), Richard McCutcheon, Tannis Morgan (by teleconference), John Patterson (by videoconference), Don Poirier, John Sparks

Executive and Others Present

Desiree Judd (University Governance Assistant), Jane Hewes (Faculty of Education and Social Work), Tanya Pawliuk (Faculty of Education and Social Work), Satwinder Paul (Lecturer and Program Coordinator from Water and Waste Water Technology Programs), Kristen Hamilton (Manager, Integrated Planning & Effectiveness)

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair, C. Bovis-Cnossen, called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m. She acknowledged being on the traditional lands of the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc within Secwépemc'ulucw, the traditional territory of the Secwépemc people.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

On Motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the agenda be adopted as circulated.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Minutes of January 17, 2019

On Motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of January 17, 2019 be approved as circulated.

3. **REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

- a. Provost and Vice-President, Academic
 - i. Open Governance Initiative Update

The Chair reported that the Joint Meeting of the BoG, Senate and Planning Council for Open Learning will be rescheduled in the fall.

ii. Accreditation Update

The Chair gave an accreditation update reporting that the site evaluation took place on campus and the evaluators were very pleased. The President of NWCCU was on campus as a non partisan observer. TRU received 4 recommendations and 4 commendations and has met two recommendations since the last visit, namely the requirements of demonstrating our evergreening approach of IT infrastructure and IT systems as well as Academic Freedom.

We were commended on our approaches with sustainablility, high impact undergraduate research and mentorship, and our approach to general education. The recommendations that we still need to fullfil are mission fulfillment, general education, financial controls, and the implementation of general education. The full report will be available once the report comes back from the NWCCU.

C. Bovis-Cnossen also reported that Senate has approved the General Education model and institutional learning outcomes for the University. Notice of motion was served to Senate for the revisions to the Undergraduate Credentials Policy. Once it is approved TRU will have about a year to implement the policy.

b. Interim Associate Vice-President, Open Learning

D. Poirier provided an update on the Strategic Planning Process. He reported that we are gathering input from other key stakeholders and will use the input to rework TRU thinking and sketch out goals. It was also noted that the university is conducting an envision exercise on campus that is allowing Open Learning to gain information. An update will be given at the next meeting.

D. Poirier also reported that Simon Fraser has backed out of the consortium and Open Learning is no longer engaged with UVic. UBC is willing to waive administrative fees for open learning students as an expression of their willingness to still engage. The Canadian Virtual University has been dismantled and how to fulfill current obligations is being worked out.

It was reported that the relationship with OERu is progressing and it was confirmed that the last key piece of a course needed for the articulation agreement is

complete. It will start off with OERu courses into a certificate but we may be able to get a diploma out of the agreement.

The positions of the Director of PLAR and the Director of Curricular Development have been filled.

4. OPEN LEARNING PROGRAMS/COURSES

a. Program Market Analysis Committee (PMAC) Report of January 17, 2019

D. Poirier presented the PMAC report that was circulated in the agenda package. Jane Hewes and Tanya Pawliuk were present to answer any questions.

- b. Reports from the Senate Academic Planning and Priorities Committee to PCOL
 - i. February 2019

The Chair gave the report from APPC for February 2019 that was circulated in the agenda package. Agenda items submitted for approval from the School of Science were held over as there were no representatives available to answer questions.

Satwinder Paul, Lecturer and Program Coordinator from Water and Waste Water Technology Programs, came forward to answer questions regarding the Program Modification, Water Treatment Certificate OL and the Program Modification, Water Treatment Technology Diploma OL. The Program modifications may come back to PCOL if it is determined that approval from PCOL is required.

iii. March 2019

The Chair gave the report from APPC for March 2019 that was circulated in the agenda package and asked Jane Hewes and Tanya Pawliuk to discuss the New Program: Human Service Diploma *OL. This item was for approval to recommend to the Board of Governors for approval.

On Motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that Planning Council for Open Learning approves and recommends to the Board of Governors for approval the prerequisites and residency requirements for the Human Service Diploma *OL.

iv. May 2019

The Chair gave the report from APPC for May 2019 that was circulated to the members of the Council and asked Jane Hewes and Tanya Pawliuk to discuss the Category III Program Modification: Social Service Worker Certificate *OL.

On Motion duly made and adopted, it was **RESOLVED** that Planning Council for Open Learning approves the changes to the admission requirements to the Social Service Worker Certificate *OL.

5. ENROLMENTS

a. Enrolment Report

Kristen Hamilton presented the Enrolment Report and was available to answer questions. The Enrolment Report was circulated in the agenda package.

7. NEXT MEETING

 a. The date of the next meeting of the Planning Council for Open Learning is November 21, 2019, 9:00-11:00am, CN Boardroom, Clock Tower (Kamloops campus)

8. TERMINATION OF MEETING

The Chair terminated the meeting at 3:15 p.m.