

Okanagan College Education Council
Minutes of Thursday, October 6, 2022 4:30 pm
S 103B Student Services Boardroom Kelowna Campus & Zoom

Present: A Hay, D Marques, B Burge, M Somerville, B Penfound, S Lembke, J Garrett, A Krebs
(Zoom): R Tyner, A Alexander, M Martin, B Hall, L Mallory, T Walters

Regrets: N Fassina, W Gillett,

5.4 Permanent Acceptance of Duolingo as a language Proficiency Exam

Motion: M Somerville/A Krebs

That Education Council approves the acceptance of the online Duolingo to assess applicant/student English language proficiency for applicants going forward.

- B Burge provided an overview of the information noting that Duolingo was utilized when the Language Proficiency Index (LPI) assessment ended.
- This option as an English language assessment was being approved each year. The current proposal is for the permanent acceptance of the Duolingo assessment going forward.
- A recommendation was made to the committee for an evaluation to be done regarding a comparison of the Duolingo and International English Language Testing System (IELTS) assessments.

Carried with 1 opposed

5.5 Second and Third Call for nominations for Education Council Vice Chair

- D Marques vacated the role of Chair at 4:57 pm and B Burge took control of the floor.
- The second and third call were made for the role of Vice Chair for Education Council (EdCo).
- J Garrett was acclaimed to the role of Vice Chair.
- D Marques resumed the role as Chair at 4:58 pm.

5.6 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.

6. Reports

6.1

report D Marques

- D Marques informed the members that there is ongoing discussion around credits and the policy associated with same.
- Members were reminded of the current student vacancies on the EdCo committee.
- Members of the committee made suggestions regarding using different avenues to get the information across to students.

6.2 VP Academic and Provost report A Hay

- Nothing to report.

6.3 report B Burge

- Nothing to report.

6.4 port A Alexander

- Nothing to report.

7. In camera session

Motion: A Krebs/J Garrett
That Education Council moves in camera.
Carried

a. September 20, 2022 Operations Committee minutes

Motion: M Somerville/S Lembke
That Education Council accepts the September 20, 2022 Operations committee meeting minutes as presented.
Carried

Motion: A Hay/B Penfound
That Education Council moves out of camera.
Carried

8. Date, time of next regular meeting Thursday, November 3, 2022 at 4:00 pm.

9. Deadline for agenda items Wednesday, October 19, 2022 at 12:00 pm.

10. Adjournment at 5:06 pm

Motion to adjourn