

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS
OF VANCOUVER COMMUNITY COLLEGE
HELD ON DECEMBER 16, 2015 AT THE DOWNTOWN CAMPUS

Board Members: Pam Ryan (Chair), Chloe Choi, Brenda Aynsley, Mike Tourigny, Claire Marshall, Dee Dhaliwal, Kay Vandervalk, Shaima Jaff
Ex Officio: Peter Nunoda, Todd Rowlett
Secretary: Deborah Lucas
Staff Resources/Guests: Irene Young, Linda Sanders, Marlene Kowalski, Kathryn McNaughton, Karen Wilson, Jamie Choi, Chris Joyce, Karen Shortt
Regrets: Sumit Anuja, Garth Manning, Erin Klis

The meeting was called to order at 6:07 p.m. by Pam Ryan. D. Lucas acted as Secretary of the meeting. The meeting materials, meeting agenda, and meeting minutes were provided to the meeting participants. As no amendments were

MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING

P. Ryan referred to draft minutes of the December 16, 2015 public Board of Governors meeting provided with the meeting materials.

UPON MOTION duly made, seconded and carried, the following resolution was approved and

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Board of Governors meeting held on December 16, 2015 are approved.

CHAIR REMARKS

P. Ryan expressed that it's an honour for her to be elected as Chair of the VCC Board of Governors and looks forward to working with the Board and the broader VCC community in this role. She welcomed and thanked all members of the Board and the newly elected Student Representatives Shaima Jaff and Kay Jaff.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

P. Nunoda welcomed the new chair and Board members.

CANCEL

UPON MOTION duly made, seconded and carried, following resolution was approved and adopted:

RESOLVED THAT, on the advice of Education Council, the Board of Governors approve the continued development of the Diploma in Fashion Arts Program

Renal Dialysis Technician Citation

T. Rowlatt provided background as per the Decision Note provided in the meeting materials. The Renal Dialysis Technician Citation is a development of an existing program that has been offered since 1999. T. Rowlatt and M. Yue, Interim Dean, Continuing Studies commented allowing a change in the Credentials Policy, the current program no longer meets the Certificate credit requirement and has been redeveloped as a Citation. It's a short, extensive program and runs in partnership with Vancouver Coastal, Fraser and Providence Health Authorities.

UPON MOTION duly made, seconded and carried, following resolution was approved and adopted:

RESOLVED THAT, on the advice of Education Council, the Board of Governors approve the continued development of the Renal Dialysis Technician Citation.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS RESPONSE

P. Ryan referred to the Letter to CUPE 4627 from the Board of Governors in response to their report titled VCC 2015/16 Budget Review and Analysis. There were no questions.

CONSTITUENCY GROUP UPDATES

STUDENT UNION OF VANCOUVER COMMUNITY COLLEGE (SUVCC)

An SUVCC representative was not present at the meeting.

CUPE LOCAL 4627

CUPE President, C. Joyce referred to the Administrative document in the meeting materials X / § was submitted with the intention of being constructive information for new Board members and for the upcoming budget process. C. Joyce commented on the disappointment that elected Board members were not included in the Strategic Planning meeting that took place in November and noted that CUPE have not been approached by the Board or Administration for consultation.

A special union meeting took place on December 10, 2015 for the election of Executive positions and all of the current executive members were re-elected.

P. Ryan provided clarification that it was not the Board's decision to exclude any Board members from the Strategic Planning meeting. Members attended on invitation by Administration and there will be a Board Strategic Planning meeting in the New Year

VANCOUVER COMMUNITY COLLEGE FACULTY ASSOCIATION (VCCFA) or (FA)

VCCFA President, K. Shortt welcomed the new Board Chair and members. She referred to the report included in the meeting materials highlighting the matter of the funding level cut off for the Adult Upgrading Grant for ABE programs. Currently, if a single person makes over \$23,000 they are not eligible for the grant and VCC has been using one funding to top it up. The FA is concerned that if government do not issue further funding or do not increase the cut off threshold there will be hundreds of students unable to enrol at VCC. The FA have requested a meeting with AVED to discuss this and at a prior meeting it was indicated that an initiative may be implemented to provide assistance. The VCCFA will continue to advocate for this.

The Chair of the MacGregor Child Care Centre (based at the Broadway Campus) has contacted the FA to request a donation to help keep the facility open as they are 20K short on their budget. They cannot fundraise or increase fees. The child care centre cares for children of staff and students at VCC. The FA does not have funds to help and wanted to bring it to the Board for consideration. B. Aynsley would like further information on why there is a shortage of funds. K. Shortt recommended contacting Saroj Kumar for further information.

P. Ryan thanked the constituency group representatives for their comments

NEXT MEETING

It was confirmed the next public Board meeting will be held February 24, 2016.

TERMINATION

There being no further business, the meeting was terminated at 6:49.

Pam Ryan
Chair

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