ARTICULATION MEETING

MINUTES OF MEETING

Thursday, October 19th | 9:30AM | L224

Attendees:

University/College
Thompson Rivers University
Kwantlen Polytechnic University
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British Columbia Institute of Technology
BC Council on Admissions and Transfer
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Langara College
University of British Columbia
University of Northern British Columbia
University of Fraser Valley
Thompson Rivers University
SLP
College of Rockies
Douglas College
Okanagan College
Fairleigh Dickinson University
Columbia College
Douglas College
School Teacher
Coquitlam College
Selkirk College

The meeting was called to order at 9:32 a.m.

1. Welcome to Langara College, (Thanks Langara for hosting this meeting as Selkirk was unable)

2. Welcome Speech

Welcome Speech by Margret Heldman.

3. Announcements & Logistics

4. Minute Taker

Minute taker for the day will be Angelia Aizawa.

5. Amendments to the agenda, if any

The Agenda was approved with changes by consensus.

6. Move to accept and adopt the agenda

7. Approval of Minutes of previous meeting @ UFV, May 4, 2017

Few changes were made to the previous meeting minutes.



Changes included:

- Dual admission booklets changed to North Island College
- Transfer Credit in Articulation
- Four major institution and not six
- Four Universities do not have to participate

8. Move to accept the minutes

The previous meeting minutes were approved with changes.

9. Round table of Introduction

Round table of introduction was made.

10. Business Arising/Carried Forward

11. New Business:

11.1.1 Welcome Ms. Anna Tikina, Research Office, BCCAT Update and Education Planner BC & CDW Data Presentation

BCCAT Update, Education Planner, and CDW (Central Data Warehouse) Data Presentation was distributed to the members.

It was noted that additional information can be found on the website of BCCAT.

A joint annual meeting between Chairs and SOP Committees will happen on Nov 17th.

Counsel awards and changes in the counsel will be reported at the meeting.

The previous counsel chair has been replaced by Jim Hamilton as John FitzGibbon is retiring in December 2017.

For those who are new to the articulation process, you can find new member orientation information online through the Articulation section of BCCAT website.

In addition, all the previous minutes can be found on the website.

An expectation of change in transfer credit system is to happen in January.

A new transfer credit member will be trained on how to utilize the system.

There are meetings happening in February and March of 2018 between minister of Education and Post Education, Secondary Education. There are plans to complete the new k-12 curriculum by September 2018.

There are several transfer innovation projects running at the moment. Anyone who is in BC can apply. The maximum amount is for \$15,000.00.

The updated Dual Credit Program report looks at the credits students have taken in secondary school when they apply to a postsecondary institution. The program tracks number of dual credits students have taken so far.

Another update is regarding Being Seen, Being Counted report. This report evaluates six different gender operation system which uses two stage approaches. This is endorsed by the BC Registrar association to fit best in the institution mandate.

However, not all institution adopt the same approach in regards to gender recording.

Additional projects are:

- Field school transferability
- Database for all field studies in BC
- Understand categories and how process interdisciplinary courses in the BC Transfer guide
- Course program requisites



Deadline is Friday, Oct 20th who are showing expression of interest for new projects.

In response to a question, it was noted that AP Grading system is not going to be revised. Some projects are in-house. Most of the projects are going receive a call for proposals. The committee will select the projector. The fund is for \$15,000 to \$20,000.

11.1.2 Welcome Mr. David Feldman, SLP

Introduction made by David. David is the new system liaison member.

Transfer Data Statistics Caveats: No data from SFU, UBC, UNBC or UVIC. These four institutions are not required to report this kind of data, as they fall under a different legislative ACT than the rest of the colleges and universities.

CDW: FTEs enrolment and students

It was noted that the Statistics Canada's list does not include some private institution. Approximately 300,000 credits from 2001. However, only 50% moving in the database system. The other 50% are going into the four research. 70% of the transferring courses are first year courses. The rest of the 30% is second year courses. The 50% is assigned credit and 10% is blocked transfer. Senders are 40% and from the 21 institution in CDW. 17% of credits are coming from research communities. The remaining 10% is non-BC, international, or private institution credits.

It was noted that BC has the most transfer credits compared to the other provinces. It is likely that credits go to a diploma that are transferring into BC compared to other provinces.

In response to a question, it was noted that the transfer project can be tracked by each country and its origin. Additionally, the international student assessment takes longer process than Canadian students.

The expected delivery of the report is June 2018.

11.1.3 Welcome Daniel Jacinto, Co-op Student (UBC)

Nothing was reported by Daniel.

11.1.4 Welcome Stephen Price, School Teacher (Teacher Coding Playground)

Stephen presented the Teacher Coding Playground pilot program. The program result indicated that participants appreciated the experience and is more confident in teaching computing science after participating in the Teacher Coding Playground. Most participants indicated they will come back to the program.

In a response to questions, it was noted that senior high school was least representative of the participants. A discussion was held regarding the duration of the program. It was suggested to make the program 5 days where 3 days will be mandatory and 2 days will be optional.

11.2 WCCCE Update & Status WCCCE-2018(UVic)

It was noted that Mike will offer to host next spring. It will be likely be structured as an "unconference" rather than a traditional conference. The topic to be discussed at the meeting is not decided yet. A suggestion was made to make a poll about what to present at WCCCE. It was noted that if members would like to be included on the mailing list to contact Donald.



11.3 Institutional Reports (all)—In the interest of time, we encourage people to read the institutional reports prior to arriving at the meeting. The speaker from your institution can briefly summarize the report, highlight the most important part(s), and respond to questions.

Catherine Maydan from KPU:

Catherine reported that there has been growth at the institution. The growth has caused them to look for extra room. There are 22 additional sections provided and approximately 300 students are expected to be enrolled in the spring of 2018. Currently KPU requires lab space. The language that KPU will like to teach is Python. However, C++ is a program that is highly popular amongst engineering students. Richmond campus enrollment is decreasing, but Surrey is increasing. It was noted that information courses and Computing Science courses are going to be held in Richmond to increase Richmond campus enrolment. In addition, international student enrolment is very high and KPU will put a hold on international students for now.

Trevor Lord from BCIT

Trevor reported that on average approximately 250 students are enrolled in the computing science program. Application for the program will start on November 1st. The first year language is Java. It was noted that likely the program will switch to Python in January. There has been substantial investment in the downtown campus where many positive feedback has been given back. There are students who complete their 1st year degree at UBC and SFU in computing science to transfer to BCIT. However, it is unlikely that BCIT students transfer out as it is a very structured program. There is a low number of students interested in graduate studies as most of them go to work after completing of diploma at BCIT.

Bryan Green from Langara College

It was noted that all the departments are growing which resulted in hiring a Department Services Assistants. Currently waiting on curriculum program review that is anticipated to happen in January 2018. The review will be intended to be internal rather than external. Langara College is not working with CIPS. In response to a question, it was noted that there is a new process of Quality Assurance Process Audit (QAPA). In November there will be a meeting to obtain additional information about the OAPA. It was noted that Langara's policy has established to review all programs in the next six years.

Donald Acton from UBC

There are growth in the department and there are over 2000 students in computing science in 2nd and 3rd year. In response to a question, it was noted that the international Vantage College is an advantage for students. It may be challenging to track the students who have taken Advantage College.

David Casperson from UNBC

There are currently six Faculty members. UNBC is a research University. Although, it was seen to have difficulties with enrolment in the past years, there has been a growth at UNBC Computing Science program.

Paul Franklin from University of Fraser Valley

Paul reported that an approval of degree in computing science was made. The program will be staring in 2018 fall. Currently some students are taking courses for the program. Two new faculty



ongoing full time position has opened up and two LTA positions. It is not clear to how many students might be enrolled in the program. Lecture and lab size will be the same.

Mohd Abdullah from Thompson River University

Mohd reported that domestic and international students have increased in enrolment. There has been a waitlist made for most students as it is now at full capacity of enrolment. There is a possibility of opening up summer sessions. The first year computing science language is still in discussion. The CSOM program is no longer available. Therefore, it is not CIPS accredited. An industrial masters program in computing science has been approved. Tuition has not been discussed yet.

A discussion was made in regards to the DQAB process.

Larry Maki from College of the Rockies

International student support has been a challenge. There is approximately 14.8% growth. The computing science program is very popular. It was noted that space for computer labs has been an issue. However, two mobile labs been created and utilized very well. An introductory programming course is offered at College of the Rockies where many students transfer to Lethbridge, AB, SFU, UBC and etc. There is a combined program with UVic that offers BBA.

Nelson Eng from Douglas College

Nelson reported that there are three computing science program offerings. The programs are two year diploma program, 1 year Post Degree Diploma, and 2 year Post Degree Diploma. The Computing science department is looking to hire two additional full time instructors. Currently there are 30 full time instructors in total. The department has doubled in size in the last five to six years. It was noted that there has been emphasis put on summer courses. Additionally, Mobile and Android devices and app courses has been launched. Some challenges were security of the mobile phones as there has been break-ins. Mobile labs was part of the \$10 million renovation project at Douglas College. Some challenges the time it takes for are loaning out the laptops to students in each class. In addition, Douglas College is facing some spacing challenges. There has been some discussion about leasing two or three floors from the building near Douglas College. Potentially there will be four computer labs in the leased space.

Vasu Janathanan from Fairleigh Dickinson University

Vasu reported that Fairleigh Dickinson University is looking at Masters Programs. Currently it has been preapproved and searching for externals to review. The program will be for two years and it will be course based and not a research intensive program. It was noted that there has been interest shown from international students. The department is looking to hire two full time faculty members. The cost is about \$25,000.00 for the program and it is for two years.

Ken Chen from Columbia College

Ken reported that Columbia College has a high enrollment and some room has opened up due to other program moving to another building. Hiring will be required depending on the session.

Rita Ester from Coquitlam College

Rita reported that Coquitlam College is looking to hiring new instructors. Currently there are 9 faculty members in total. Currently, Coquitlam College has some spacing challenges. Due to spacing constrains, Coquitlam College has opened up classes on Fridays and online. Coquitlam College is planning to start the two year diploma program in computing science. The college has increased second year courses and two additional Computer lab space has opened up.



Colin Dyck from Selkirk College

Colin reported that there are two computing program offerings at Selkirk College. As for literacy course, the college is looking into Python from Java. Currently, there are 35 students. It was noted that online courses use the Think Python textbook. The second semester for the program focuses on projects. Another program is GIS which is offered as a Bachelors degree. There are many visual arts courses and web base development courses. The program is hands on and which all of those are from GIS programs. The GIS program is an 8 month advanced program.

Youry Khmelevsky from Okanagan College

Youry reported that the college is hiring part time faculty members. There are IPhone and Android development courses being offered. There are 26 students in first year and 50 students in the second year in the computing science program. Summer courses has been offered and looking to add extra system analyzing design programs. Currently the college offers two and four year program.

11.4 Issues arising from the day so far Nothing to report.

11.5 Other business

(a) Meeting Frequency (Only Three other committees meet twice a year)
A discussion was made about the meeting frequency. Some suggestions were made to make one meeting in person and another online. It is challenging to travel during the fall. A suggestion was made to combine the CueBC conference in the fall with the articulation meeting. It was noted that other departments attach PD days to the meeting to increase networking. Other suggestions was made to have a joint articulation meeting with Alberta. If a joint meeting were to happen it will be once every two to three years. After the discussion, it was concluded to retain the meeting frequency as two per year. The fall meeting will be third week of October on a Thursday.

12 Future Meetings

- Spring 2018 (UVic May 3, 2018)
- Fall 2018 (Need a new host, not Langara again, any institution willing to host?)
 Friday, October 19th, 2018
 Currently waiting on Stephen Price about location.
 BCIT will be the backup for the host.
- Spring 2019 (TWU)?
 Selkirk College is tentatively available to host.
- Fall 2019?
 Depending on Fall 2018, if successful combined the meeting with CueBC Conference.

Adjourned at 2:55p.m.

