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Dr. Michael Holland
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Ms. Lorelle Warr

Students' Association:

Ms. Wendy Anthony | Notice of Absence
Ms. Molly Bates | Absent
Mr. Kanin Boese | Absent
Ms. Hala Ezzeddine
Ms. Megan Morrison
Mr. Zander Noppibul | Absent
Ms. Melanie Pack
Ms. Cecily Phelps | Absent
Mr. Jake Rakestraw
Mr. Deep Singh | Absent

Employees' Association:

Ms. Marcia Aldred
Ms. Desiree Mearon

Alternate:

Ms. Robin Smith-Wilson

Alberta Union of Provincial Employees:
Alternate:

Ms. Jori Grimm | Absent
TBD

Community Members:

Ms. Nancy Gorgichuk | Notice of Absence
Ms. Penny Rose

Non-Voting Guests:

Dr. Brian Redmond

4250 CALL TO ORDER

The In-Person and Zoom Academic Council meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm.

4251 LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Before beginning the meeting, the Chair provided the following land acknowledgment:

Northwestern Polytechnic acknowledges that our campuses are located on Treaty 8 territory, the ancestral and present-day home to many diverse First Nations, Métis, and Inuit people. We are grateful to work, live and learn on the traditional territory of Duncan's First Nation, Horse Lake First Nation and Sturgeon Lake Cree Nation, who are the original caretakers of this land. We acknowledge the history of this land and we are thankful for the opportunity to walk together in friendship, where we will encourage and promote positive change for present and future generations.

4252 AGENDA

MOVED by D. Honan, **SECONDED** by H. Ezzeddine to approve the agenda with the following changes:

Move Items 5.2.2.1 and 5.2.2.2 and add as 6.3.14 and 6.3.15 on the agenda.

CARRIED

4253 MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 29, 2024

MOVED by M. Aldred, **SECONDED** by C. Vasileiou the Minutes of February 29, 2024 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

4254 RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Board-approved Credentials (from Curriculum Committee)

Program Changes

MOVED by J. Peebles; **SECONDED** by M. Aldred to recommend to the Board of Governors the approval of the program changes for the Computing Science, University Transfer program, effective Fall 2024, pending Ministry approval.

CARRIED

Program Review Committee

Academic Council received the Program Review Committee Minutes from the January 11, 2024 meeting.

MOVED by V. Sheane; **SECONDED** by L. Warr to recommend to the Board of Governors the approval of the recommendations from the January 11, 2024 Program Review Committee meeting as presented.

CARRIED

2022-2023 Biennial Program Review Action Plans

Academic Council received the approved annual program review action plans for each of the academic programs for information.

Board-appointed Membership

MOVED by V. Sheane **SECONDED** by M. Albert that Academic Council recommend to the Board of Governors, the following AUPE Local 71, Chapter 007 members for two-year terms starting May 25, 2024: Allison Clarke, Alana Kazmar (first alternate) and Jori Grimm (second alternate) and one Employees' Association alternate member (TBD) also for a two-year term starting May 25, 2024.

CARRIED

Academic Council Authority and Bylaws

Due to several revisions coming forward before the meeting, Dr. Vanessa Sheane recommended that the Academic Council Authority and Bylaws be placed on the feedback system in the fall for an all-staff review before returning to the next meeting of Academic Council.

4255 ACADEMIC COUNCIL APPROVED ITEMS

Course Changes

MOVED by J. Peebles **SECONDED** by D. Honan that Academic Council approve the course changes to the following courses as recommended by the Curriculum Committee on April 11 and April 24, 2024:

- AC3110 Introductory Accounting
- NS2440 An Interdisciplinary Approach to Palliative Care (Retire)

- CP0105 Computer Application I
- FR0110 French Grade 10 Equivalent (Retire)
- EDCT400 Organizing for Instruction in CTS (Practical Arts/Industrial Arts) (Retire)
- BC3100 Bioenergetics and Metabolism (Retire)
- BC3300 Nucleic Acids and Molecular Biology (Retire)
- CH2820 Atomic and Molecular Structure (Retire)
- ZO2240 Vertebrate Diversity (Retire)
- ZO2250 Comparative Anatomy of the Vertebrates (Retire)
- AR2105 Early Twentieth Century Art
- AR2205 Art Since 1945
- PY2110 Statistical Methods for Psychological Research
- PO2110 Ancient and Medieval Political Thought (Retire)
- SO2410 Social Psychology (Retire)
- SO2950 Autobiography (Retire)
- SO3150 Introduction to Social Methodology (Retire)
- SO3720 Visual Sociology I (Retire)
- MA1401 Technical Mathematics I
- MA2301 Technical Mathematics II
- PC1401 Applied Engineering Mechanics and Thermodynamics I
- TT1401 Industrial Trades I
- TW1030 Technical Communications and Ethics
- AG1000 Agricultural Equipment I
- AG1200 Agricultural Equipment II
- AG1920 Work Placement I
- AG2100 Introduction to Advances in Grain Farming
- AG2200 Introduction to Advances in Livestock Farming
- AG2500 Agriculture Technologies
- AG2920 Work Placement II

CARRIED

New Courses

MOVED by J. Peebles **SECONDED** by M. Albert that Academic Council approve the following new courses as recommended by the Curriculum Committee on April 11 and April 24, 2024:

- DD1001 Introduction to Video Production
- SO2150 Introduction to Social Methodology
- CS4320 Data Science
- AG2900 Farm Transportation

Program Changes

MOVED by J. Peebles **SECONDED** by B. Redmond that Academic Council approve the program changes to the following programs as recommended by the Curriculum Committee on April 11 and April 24, 2024:

- Science, University Transfer
- Science, University Transfer – Majors
- Bachelor of Arts – Art and Design
- Kinesiology
- Kinesiology, University Transfer
- Arts, University Transfer (Program Learning Outcomes)
- Arts, University Transfer – Psychology
- Nursing, Degree Completion
- Power Engineering Technology
- Agriculture Operations
- Water and Wastewater Technician
- Educational Assistant – Inclusion Supports
- Educational Assistant – Literacy Supports

CARRIED

MOVED by J. Peebles **SECONDED** by D. LaChance that Academic Council approve the following change to the Kinesiology (Science), University Transfer and Kinesiology and Education, UT Combined Degree program curriculum: change “Junior English (6)” to “Complete 1 of the following: Junior English (3) and WR1010 Professional and Academic Writing (3) or Junior English (6)”, effective fall 2024.

CARRIED

Academic Policies

J. Peebles presented the revised Student Rights and Responsibilities for approval. She noted that the major change to this policy is that the procedures have been removed from the policy with the following procedures documents having been created: Student Rights Violation Procedure, Academic Grievance Procedure, Academic Misconduct Procedure and Non-Academic Misconduct Procedure.

MOVED by J. Peebles **SECONDED** by L. Warr that the Student Rights and Responsibilities Policy be approved as presented.

CARRIED

4256 TRENDING EDUCATION TOPIC

Dr. Vanessa Sheane provided members with an update on the Alberta Rural Medical Expansion project. Working in partnership with the University of Alberta (U of A), medical students will be able to become trained at our Rural Medical Education Program Training Centre.

NWP is pleased to offer collaborative medical school programming through our School of Health at the Grande Prairie campus and adjacent Health Education Centre (HEC).

NWP will welcome U of A's first medical school cohort in the fall of 2025.

Topic for Next Meeting

The topic for the next meeting will be focused on Truth and Reconciliation with Desiree Mearon presenting.

4257 OPEN DISCUSSION

Nothing to report.

4258 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for September 26, 2024.

4259 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned by consensus at 4:50 pm.

Julia Dutove

Dr. Julia Dutove, Chair

Wanda Moen

Ms. Wanda Moen, Records






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