

GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

2580 College Street, Sherbrooke, QC J1M 2K3 Thursday, February 9, 2023 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. Room C-156

MINUTES

Members Present:

Nancy Beattie Director of Constituent College

François Paradis Government Appointee, Socio-Economic Sector, (Board of

Governors)

Miles Turnbull Government Appointee, University Sector

Monika Mitchell (Vice-Chair) Parent Representative

Kandy Mackey Government Appointee, School Board Sector

Eva Lettner Parent Representative
Antoine Laplante Student Representative
Alexandra Patella Student Representative

Laura Beausse Non-teaching Professionals Representative

Jennifer McLeod Support Staff Representative

Regrets:

Alan Kezber (Chair) Government Appointee, Enterprise Sector Alexandra Lebel Government Appointee, Enterprise Sector

Aaron Patella Faculty Representative
Myriam Pruneau Faculty Representative

Also Present:

Meredith Watkins Coordinator, Social Science

Suzanne Meesen Secretary General Tina Gjertsen Recording Secretary

AGENDA

- 1) Welcome and Announcements
- 2) Adoption of the Agenda
- 3) Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting
 - a. December 13, 2022
- 4) Question Period (15 minutes)
- 5) Business Arising
 - a. Law 14 implementation update
 - b. Revision to student fees Bylaw 6
- 6) New Business
 - a. Social Science 300.A1 Program Revision (Resolution)
 - b. Liberal Arts Program Revision (Information)
 - c. Academic Calendar 2023-2024 (Information)
 - d. Nursing Order Exam Results & Local Action Plan (Information)
- 7) Constituent College Report
- 8) Varia
- 9) Date of Next Meeting (April 4, 2023)
- 10) Adjournment

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1) Welcome and Announcements

Monika Mitchell welcomed guest Meredith Watkins, and extended regrets from Alan Kezber, in whose place she would be chairing this meeting. Regrets were also passed along from Alexandra Lebel, Aaron Patella and Myriam Pruneau.

Monika acknowledged the tragic death of Champlain student Olivia Grimes, which would be discussed further as part of College News.

2) Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted as presented.

Moved: Miles Turnbull Seconded: Antoine Laplante

Motion carried.

3) Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting

a. December 13, 2022

The minutes were adopted as presented.

Moved: Miles Turnbull Seconded: Laura Beausse

Motion carried.

4) Question Period (15 minutes)

There were no questions.

5) Business Arising

a. Law 14 implementation update

Nancy mentioned the letter received from the Ministry regarding delays in the implementation of certain aspects of Law 14 by one semester, however clarified that this is not particularly helpful. The implementation of the Admissions policy will be delayed from Fall 2023 to Fall 2024, which is helpful in terms of time, however Champlain – Lennoxville has long been prioritizing admissions for Anglophone students from Englishlanguage high schools, albeit unofficially.

The College has not received the new French Exit exam competencies but have been give to understand there will be no meanignful changes to the French exit exam competencies despite the feedback provided from the colleges through the consultations. The finalized version of the competencies have not yet been distributed by the Ministry.

A Pedagogical Counsellor position was posted recently and will help tremendously with the aspects of Law 14 which need to be implemented in Fall 2023. The Ministry has announced that they will provide funding for supporting French language learning, especially for English speaking students.

By June 1st we will be required to have a modified College-wide French language policy. The policy will be developed and consultation during the winter. It will be deposited at an upcoming Governing Board meeting.

b. Revision to student fees - Bylaw 6

Nancy reminded the group about the resolution passed in December regarding student fees. After the resolution was passed, the Ministry implemented a 3% increase limit, so student fees have been reduced by \$1 to accommodate this limit.

6) New Business

a. Social Science 300.A1 Program Revision (Resolution)

Nancy Beattie introduced the program revision, explaining that it was ministry-mandated, and the culmination of an enormous amount of work which began in January 2021.

Meredith Watkins presented the revision, mentioning that it was recently endorsed by the Commission of Studies, and had been validated in SOBEC.

Significant adjustments to the program include updated program goals, new program competencies, as well as two new profiles (Sports and Leisure; Global Studies) and modifications to the three existing profiles (Commerce; Criminology; Psychology and Society). Other adjustments include 45 additional class hours, and a new methodology and integration course.

Nancy commended Meredith on her presentation as well as acknowledged the amount of diplomacy required on her part in order to work with such a large number of people on a revision with so many changes.

Resolution No.: LEN-2022-071

Social Science Revision

WHEREAS Champlain College Lennoxville last carried out a significant revision to the 300.A0 program beginning in 1999; and

WHEREAS in 2017 the *Ministère de l'Éducation et de l'Enseignement supérieur* (MEES) mandated all colleges in the network to revise their Social Sciences program with a new 300.A1 program to be implemented in Fall 2023; and

WHEREAS the revision was carried out by a revision team consisting of the Dean, an elected representative of Social Science, and a Pedagogical Counsellor; and

WHEREAS the revision team worked in consultation with the entire Social Science program composed of all discipline members including methodology, all General Education representatives, and program-specific representatives; and

WHEREAS a revision committee consisting of one representative of each Social Science discipline including methodology, one representative from each General Education department, and each contributing discipline (math and biology) was established to vote on the recommendations received by the revision team; and

WHEREAS the program revision was carried out in accordance with the Institutional Policy on the Management of Academic Programs (IPMAP); and

WHEREAS the Social Science program endorsed the revised program framework on December 14, 2022; and

WHEREAS the Commission of Studies endorsed the revised program framework at its meeting held on February 2, 2023;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Governing Board approve the revised Social Science 300.A1 program for implementation in Fall 2023.

Moved: Jennifer McLeod Seconded: Alexandra Patella There was no call for the vote. Motion carried.

b. Liberal Arts Program Revision (Information)

Suzanne Meesen gave an update on the Liberal Arts program revision. Since competencies which Liberal Arts shares with Social Science were revised, these competencies also now need to be revised under the Liberal Arts program. The revision will include several other small changes and should be presented at the next Governing Board meeting.

c. Academic Calendar 2023-2024 (Information)

Nancy Beattie explained that this will be presented at the next Governing Board meeting. The Fall Reading Week is expected to become a standard practice, and in response to concerns about the tight timeline between the semester, it will be proposed that the Winter semester will begin a week later than usual.

d. Nursing Order Exam Results & Local Action Plan (Information)

Nancy Beattie explained that the provincial Nursing Order exam had quite unfavourable results across the province and that our pass rates at Champlain-Lennoxville were similarly poor. An action plan has been deployed to better understand the reasons for the difficulties and to identify what measures could be put in place, both in the short-term and the long-term, in order to better support student success. The action plan process includes consultation with other Cegeps as well. The Nursing department may present to the Governing Board in the future.

7) Constituent College Report

Nancy acknowledged the tragic death of one of our students, Olivia Grimes, the week prior, in a car accident caused by poor road conditions. The Special Care Counselling faculty and the Student Services team did a tremendous job in supporting our students, and the College also brought in a grief counselor for employees for whom this event was traumatic. We as a

College will discuss ways to honour the student's memory, but we are also discussing how we can better respond to inclement weather. We are considering a clause which would excuse absences for students for whom travel to the College would be dangerous due to poor road conditions. A discussion took place around legal strategies to avoid lawsuits in situations like this, and it was recommended to bring this subject to the Board of Governors as well so that the other two constituent colleges can duplicate the same policies or conversations.

Nancy also mentioned that the IPMAP is nearing finalization, with next steps including an upcoming consultation, presentation to the Commission of Studies, and then presentation to the Governing Board in May.

Nancy mentioned the E-Optimization Access to Surplus resolution which was endorsed by the Board of Governors in January. A contract will be signed imminently with an expert to conduct an analysis before we develop our teaching staffing plan for next year.

The Education for Reconciliation film screening was postponed to February 16th, but may have a separate screening for the Governing Board in April after our next meeting.

The mandate of our current Director General will not be renewed after it ends this summer. The regional board will mandate a selection committee, as well as an interim DG. The leadership team at CRC is working very hard to maintain quality education for our students throughout this process.

Many great student services and CSA activities have been taking place at the College. Our Open House on February 4th was a huge success despite the very cold weather.

8) Varia

No items to add.

- 9) Date of Next Meeting (April 4, 2023)
- 10) Adjournment

Miles Turnbull moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:04p.m.

The minutes were adopted as presented at the Governing Board meeting on April 4, 2023. Moved: Miles Turnbull Seconded: Antoine Laplante

Tina Gjertsen, Recording Secretary