

HISTORY ARTICULATION COMMITTEE
4 MAY 2000
MINUTES

Present: Chair: Jacqueline Gresko (Douglas); Secretary: Clarence Karr (Malaspina); Bill Sloan (Selkirk); Clarence Bolt (Camosun); Denise Marasco (College of the Rockies); Tom Roulstone (Northern Lights); Jim Huzel (UBC); Bruce Shelvey (Trinity Western); Simo Nurme (North Island); George Davison (New Caledonia); Ted Wooley (Victoria); John Fudge (Cariboo); Tracey Kinney (Kwantlen); Ellen Ellis (BCSSTA); Robert Campbell (Capilano)

Regrets: Gwyneth Lewis (Langara); Maury Williams (Okanagan); Mary Ellen Kelm (UNBC); Finola Finlay (BCCAT); Open University

Absent: Northwest; SFU; Fraser Valley

1. **Agenda** adopted (Nurme/Davison)
Letters to be sent to absent institutions.

2. **Minutes** approved (Bolt/Sloan) with correction of Wayne Axford (BCSSTA)

3. Business Arising

a) Libraries Report

It was difficult to acquire statistics from institutions and comparison was also problematic because, at many colleges, there is no breakdown into departmental allocations. Clarence Karr reported that the AUCCC in a recent follow-up visit to Malaspina insisted that a representative from the Ministry of Education be there to respond to the library funding question. Malaspina has had its annual allocation of \$305,000 rolled into base funding. This is a signal that the Ministry is taking libraries more seriously and that should benefit all universities and colleges. The annual library book budget has also been added to the Survey Form.

b) Summer Courses

Here is continuing confusion over the level of funding [full or partial]; whether the funding is annual or part of base budget; and library openings and hours of opening. THIS WILL BE AN AGENDA ITEM FOR 2001.

4. Chair's Report

At BCCAT meeting there was a desire to improve transfer. It is also promoting Prior Learning Assessment and the Canadian Learning Bank (assessment services). There was also discussion of the role of and need for liaison administrations for the program groups.

The one for History is Karl Koth from Okanagan. The need for a History Articulation List-Serve was also introduced.

Discussion followed on three topics: the role of articulation committees and the process of articulation; the purpose of liaison administrators; and the List-Serve proposal. With the establishment of UNBC and the university colleges – all accepting transfer students for degree completion – it is not clear what the current articulation of courses involves. There is little desire to extend the individual course articulation process to those courses already articulated to the three original universities. It was decided to invite Finola Finlay to our next meeting to discuss a History Articulation List-Serve and Webb Page.

5. Institutional Reports

See attachment for Survey details

Douglas College

- 30 anniversary (Nov. 2-3)
- sessional appointment winter and summer D. Sutherland; sessional appointments summer – C. Bolz, J. Schutts, N. Smith
- anticipated future hiring ½ time replacement for R. Wylie who was elected DCFA vp for 2000-2002
- new course proposed – Social History of Canada – 200 level
- second-year enrollment increasing
- ongoing concerns re. transfer to SFU
- Frank Leonard returning from leave
- Women's History Network, Sept. 29-30

University of Victoria

- enrollment strong –but both graduate school and majors numbers dropping [graduate school decline a national trend]
- retirement of Donald Senese -Russian (Soviet) historian –to be replaced in a joint appointment with Slavic Studies
- also a replacement appointment in Early Modern Europe
- proposed new introductory course in African History
- release time is 4 ½ semester courses for Chair and 3 for Graduate Advisor

University of Northern British Columbia

- new appointment – DR. Ted Binnema in Environmental, American and Native
- dropped courses – 220; 250; 251; 252; 310; 351; 352; 457
- electronic courses: Themes in Law and Order teleconferenced; Historiography – audioconferenced; History 200 [Methodology] WEB

Trinity Western University

- 20% increase in enrolment
- a visiting Fulbright Professor – Thurber Proffit
- now have integrated Web site

-publications – J. Klassen, *Waring Maidens: Captive Wives, Hussite Queen's* (Columbia Press)

-University Archives now has Mel Smith and Lyle Wicks papers

-Bruce Shelvey moved from Acting Chair to Chair

-proposed new courses: Environmental History (World Comparative Environments); 423 World War I; 390 and 490 Special Topics

Malaspina University College

-AUCCC team, after second visit, recommending accreditation. Their concerns re. library, research funds etc. have been addressed.

-expect 25 History Majors to graduate this year

-Canadian Urban History dropped as a course

-new courses –all to be delivered between 2000-2002 and all at 400 level: The First World War; Global Imperialism and Nationalism, 1870s-1930s; Wilderness, Society and Parks in 19th Century North America; War and Society [American course] The Family in the Western World; and Popular Opinion in the Third Reich

Selkirk College

-Bill Sloan is retiring and to be replaced on 1 August

-Selkirk Archives has good materials on: the fur trade; mining; Natives; Doukhobors; and the Columbia River Treaty

Camosun College

-courses full with huge wait lists

-course development includes: Twentieth Century World (2 courses); World Civilization Survey (2 courses); and First Nations in the Media

College of the Rockies

-have started local oral history project on Cranbrook –will integrate into the classroom

-department gets the books it wants for the library

-25th anniversary

Northern Lights College

-Tom may be retiring

-registrations in History continue to increase –up 32.5% over last year [institutional enrolments up 10%]

-Dawson Creek campus building student residence –ready for Fall 2000

-25th anniversary

University of British Columbia

-impact of new foundation curriculum on History not yet known

retirees: Ed Hundert, Bob Kubicek [Dec 2000] and Elizabeth Haiken departed

-a Pre-Modern China hiring in progress

-new courses for 2000/2001 include[all 3 credit –one semester]: 311 The British Empire, 1850-present; 341 Medieval Jewish History [ties with Religious Studies]; 409 France, 1900-Present; 441 History of the Holocaust (formerly Anti-Semitism and Nation

Building]; 461 Politics and Culture in Fin-de-siecle Europe, 1890-1914; 462 Europe 1900-1945; 463 Europe 1945 to the Present

University College of the Cariboo

- enrolment strong – 95% full
- 18 graduating majors
- 30-40 major students
- new course offered past year on 'The Atlantic World in the 20th Century' –team taught – will probably not be offered again because of workload
- department had external reviews- too Euro-centred

Kwantlen University College

- overflowing with students and waitlists –turned away 2000 registrations
- developing Associate Arts degree in History
- 2 leave replacement sessional hirings
- new course on Early Modern China
- developing first advanced level course on 'Textiles and Global Development' f-controlled and taught by History Department –paid for by Fashion Design Degree program

College of New Caledonia

- George Davison offering Fraser Rivers course [205] again with Langara
- CNC is participating in Royal BC Museum's Living Landscapes Project on the Upper Fraser Basin for the next two years

North Island College

- planning new second year BC Native History course
- library budget included in social science budget –instructors receive \$800 for own use

BCSSTA

- citizenship report out next month
- more community money for course development and publishing supporting materials
- Teaching for Understanding History also to get grant –to improve teaching practices in History (results to be published)
- College of Teachers asked to establish minimum standards of secondary school History teachers
- tuition rebates to be improved –500 seats at post-secondary institutions to upgrade secondary school teachers [contact is Greg Smith at the Ministry]
- First Nations 12 should be implemented by Sept. 2001 – it can replace either Social Studies 11 or History 12 – there is lots of money available for producing materials
- students are being encourage to take Social Studies [including History and Geography 12 etc.] at summer school to leave more room and time for Math/Science during term. This is particularly true in metropolitan Vancouver. The practice undervalues Social Studies
- Forum 2000 – National Council of Social Studies {USA} Conference, 28 June-6 July, 2000 in Calgary
- BCSSTA 'Getting Fit for Active Citizenship' – October 20

6. Correspondence

- a) from Tracey Kinney re. chronological divisions within Canadian and American Survey courses. Discussion highlighted the issues of scarce resources for new sections, problems of transfer credit, and that student would probably avoid the earliest chronological sections. Some stressed that these were survey courses and that the nature of the survey changes over time. For changes in the split dates, note existing American texts which add a few chapters to the second volume to accommodate more than one end of course date.
- b) From Laura Krueger re. PLA Annual Report available at www.ctt.bc.ca/PLA/
- c) From BCCAT offering PLA presentation of 1 to 1 ½ hours. Decision was made to invite BCCAT for presentation of a ½ hour session at BC Studies Conference in Kamloops next May.
- d) From Carol Howorth, UBC re. UBC PLA policy. On 23 Feb. the UBC Senate passed a motion to accept PLA Challenge or equivalent transfer credit for acceptable specific courses. For more information contact Carol Howorth or Wilma McCrossan.
- e) Copy of Terry Weninger to Susan Witter (Standing Committee on Evaluation and Accountability) re. KPI, assuring that KPI's would not be used as data for performance funding. This was met with skepticism and comments re. bureaucratic games.
- f) From Finola Finlay and Barbara Clague re. role of Liaison Administrators. Moved by Clarence Bolt, seconded by Bruce Shelvey and carried that the History Articulation Committee sees no need for a liaison administrator position for History. It was felt that there had been and was great continuity in the History sector in British Columbia and that there was no need for another intermediate level of bureaucracy.

7. Web site

As noted above, we will invite a representative from BCCAT to Kamloops next year to discuss this.

8. BC History Articulation Archives

Moved by Davison, seconded by Sloan that we inquire of BC Archives of its willingness to accept the papers of the BC History Articulation Committee dating back to 1969. (Carried)

9. Next Meeting

To meet in Kamloops at Cariboo prior to opening of BC Studies Conference in May 2001. If, for any reason, this does not work out, Douglas College will host.

10. Election of Officers

Because both the Secretary and the President had only been on the executive for one year, it was decided that there would trade positions with Clarence Karr of Malaspina, the incoming President and Jacqueline Gresko, the incoming Secretary. She would continue on as President for 2001/2002.

11. Thanks to Simo Nurme and North Island College

Thanks were unanimously expressed for the arrangements and the lunch and also for the tour of the MacLean Mill and the coordination with the BC Historical Federation.