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October 2015 PAC Minutes, Police Foundations

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POLICE FOUNDATIONS (SCHOOL OF PUBLIC SAFETY)

Program Advisory Committee Meeting

October 20, 2015 0830 – 1030 HRS
D3024 – Fanshawe College

Present:
Andre Reymer  Scott McCallum  Andrew Murray  Darren Couling
Michael Knight  Paul Hess  Paul Schofield  Catherine Nanton
Darryl Charlton  Jason Zambo  William Hibbert  Ben Cecil
Sabrina Tomaszewski – recording secretary

REGRETS:
Gloria Yu  Jo-Ann Savoie  Mark Hunter

1.0 CALL TO ORDER
• Andre called the meeting to order and began introductions around the table

2.0 APPROVAL OF AGENDA
• Agenda approved as presented, item 6 moved up to accommodate Ben needing to leave early

3.0 REVIEW OF MINUTES FROM SPRING PAC MEETING
• Minutes approved as presented

4.0 PROGRAM REVIEW AND UPDATES 2015
• Bill started his role as the new coordinator for the Police Foundations program at the end of August
• Police Foundations first year enrollment is at 324, second year 150 and there are 56 part time students
• Miami trip is scheduled for the first week of January 2016, 28 students will attend and will be introduced to different areas such as autopsy, wild life conservation, canine unit, shooting range, crime scene, etc. – there is a stringent selection process to select the students that will attend
• The students volunteer team is involved in various initiatives, cleanup of Fanshawe College Blvd, Easter Seals road hockey tournament, Run for a Cure, Fanshawe Pioneer Village Haunted Hayride, Santa Claus Parade, Big Brother/Big Sister, Salvation Army kettle drive, Santa Shuffle, London Food Bank as well as donating $600 for the annual mission services food drive for thanksgiving
• Catherine is taking 18 students to Huntsville for the under 18 Women’s Canadian Hockey Championship to do access control, 14 students are volunteering with the London Police Intoxilyzer training, 20 students are attending the Ontario Police College OPP Public Liaison training, a lot of different opportunities for the students
• John Legault is teaching a new course starting January 2016 for second year students called Culminating Skills – students will work through practical exercises each class to demonstrate what they have learned in their theory classes, each time a scenario occurs students will have to write a report on the occurrence – there will be a focus on notetaking and report writing as well as rating students on their interviewing skills
• Catherine noted how hard this committee has worked on creating a cumulative course to give students more practical experience and the vocational outcomes are really seen through this course
• Each section of the Culminating course have 35-40 students and John Legault will have PT faculty working with him
5.0 ADVANCED POLICE STUDIES UPDATE

- 12 students graduated from Advanced Police Studies last year
- 5 of those students were able to get employment in career type jobs, London Police, RCMP and Hospital Security
- Finding that Hospital Security is a very lucrative job, LHSC employs 30,000 people and the work students are doing there is comparable to what they are doing in Police agencies – students are also being sought from their placement agencies
- This term received 60 applications an increase of 30% over last year, offered 21 spots in the program, ended up with 17 students – 3 from university, 2 from other Colleges and 12 from Police Foundations
- Big announcement that the program was able to obtain educational grants for two records management systems – students now have full access to Intergraph and Niche – Canada is also introducing a system and an agreement for the use of it is being finalized
- Phasing in the records management software will increase the computer use in the program allowing students to get more practical experience
- Andrew noted how good the current intake of students are with time management – students have 17 hours of class, all work is done outside of the classroom, each student has a significant part time job and volunteer on top of everything else
- One upcoming challenge will be with the changes coming to the PREP test, at the end of October a new format is being introduced which will require the purchase of new equipment
- Four different fitness courses being taught build towards passing the PREP test – the new test looks good and will decrease the success rate because of the difficulty
- APS students pass the PREP, PIN and PAR test

6.0 SCHOOL OF PUBLIC SAFETY UPDATE

- Ben introduced Mark’s new assistant Paul Schofield to the committee
- Since the PAC met last there has been great success in regards to the Agenda moving forward with facilities and programs
- Physical space in C building is coming along
- A large group of representation from the College met for Queens Park Day to meet with the Minister of Training Colleges and Universities and MCSCS
- Last year there was some resistance when it came to MCSCS but this time was very different – Fanshawe is leading the pack in program development and quality standards
- The Deputy Minister wants to help get new and unique programs advanced and pushed forward
- Last year the School of Public Safety launched with 9 programs, 7 more have been approved for next year and another 5 for the following year – will be the largest school not the largest by enrollment, students will come in highly qualified
- An incredible amount of work has been undertaken – the Faculty and Mark have done a lot of work pushing this agenda forward
- Ben encouraged everyone around the table – if Mark Hunter taps you on the shoulder around curriculum development or asks for a name of someone who would be interested to help write or teach a course, this is so they are developed with the highest quality to get the best possible curriculum for the students
- Some programs being presented are not being done by anyone – there can’t be a benchmark for something that doesn’t exist elsewhere, which causes difficulties in finding faculty to teach these programs since they are so new
- The school will have a grand opening in the spring of 2016
- Ben thanked the committee for their time and commitment

7.0 PUBLIC SAFETY LEADERSHIP PROGRAM UPDATE AND DISCUSSION

- Catherine distributed flyers and the program outline
- Public Safety Leadership is launching January 2016 as a one year full time graduate certificate program
- Designed to be taken by people currently employed in the field, they will continue to work Full Time while taking this program
- Offered through a variety of delivery methods – face to face, weekends, etc. will take place Fridays and Saturdays
- The program is designed so if students cannot attend all of the classes they can still keep up
- The field placement is designed to be conducted within their own agency to solve a problem facing their agency and provide a report
• The second field placement is to job shadow with a different discipline which will allow for building relationships with people in different disciplines to promote interdisciplinary collaboration
• Requirement to have a 2 year diploma or university degree in a related field or comparable work experience determined by Catherine, must be currently employed in the field with 5 years’ experience – this is to allow for experience and maturing
• Athabasca University is adding some of these programs to their Masters so students can receive credit for some of the courses
• Two openings still for designing curriculum and delivering the curriculum – Business Writing and Inter Professional Collaboration
• So far one applicant – not all information is on the website yet, tuition fees (est. $6,000), course outcomes, etc.
• Catherine welcomes any suggestion to get the information out there, the program will run with a minimum of 5 students but can accept 20
• Senior course fees are going up 50% in the next few years so this is a very competitive product

8.0 OTHER BUSINESS ARISING
• No other business arising

9.0 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING
• April 12th 2016 0830 – 1030; D3024

10.0 ADJOURNMENT
• Meeting adjourned at 9:25 am