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MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

between the

NORTHWEST COMMUNITY COLLEGE (hereinafter called "the Employer")

and the

CANADIAN UNION OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES LOCAL 2409 FEDERATION OF POST-SECONDARY EDUCATORS OF BC (FPSE) LOCAL 11 (hereinafter called "the Union")

THE UNDERSIGNED BARGAINING REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NORTHWEST COMMUNITY COLLEGE ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE NORTHWEST COMMUNITY COLLEGE (hereinafter called "the Employer"), AGREE TO RECOMMEND TO THE NORTHWEST COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD;

AND

THE UNDERSIGNED BARGAINING REPRESENTATIVES ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE CANADIAN UNION OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES LOCAL 2409 AND FEDERATION OF POST-SECONDARY EDUCATORS OF BC (FPSE) LOCAL 11 (hereinafter called "the Union"), AGREE TO RECOMMEND TO THE UNION MEMBERSHIP;

THAT THEIR COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT COMMENCING APRIL 1, 2014 AND EXPIRING MARCH 31, 2019 (hereinafter called the "new Collective Agreement"), SHALL CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING:

1. <u>Previous Conditions</u>

All of the terms of the 2012-2014 Collective Agreement continue except as specifically varied below.

2. <u>Term of Agreement</u>

The term of the new Collective Agreements shall be for sixty (60) months from April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2019 both dates inclusive.

3. Effective Dates

The effective date for all changes to the new Collective Agreement will be the date of ratification of this Memorandum of Agreement, unless otherwise specified.

4. Appendix "A"

The Employer and the Union agreed to the amendments to the new Collective Agreement attached to this Memorandum of Agreement as Appendix "A".

5. Appendix "B"

The Employer and the Union also agree to the amendments to the new Collective Agreement attached to this Memorandum of Agreement as Appendix "B".

6. Appendix "C"

The Employer and the Union agree to the amendments to the new Collective Agreement attached to this Memorandum of Agreement as Appendix "C" – 2014 FPSE Template Table ("FTT").

7. Ratification

The parties expressly agree that, upon the completed signing of this Memorandum of Agreement, the parties shall recommend the approval of this Memorandum to their respective principals and schedule the necessary meetings to ensure that their principals vote on the recommendations.

This Memorandum of Agreement is also subject to ratification by the Post-Secondary Employers' Association Board of Directors.

Signed this 29 day of August 2015.

BARGAINING REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE

JUSTIN KOHLMAN)

BARGAINING REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE UNION:



1. Article 1.1 Parties to the Agreement

Whereas the College is an Employer within the meaning of the Labour Code of British Columbia; and whereas the Canadian Union of Public Employees, Local No. 2409 is a trade union within the meaning of the Labour Code of British Columbia and is the sole bargaining agent for those employees described in the certification dated October 19, 1976, amended August 31, 1979, amended January 27, 1981, and August 12, 1981 as employees at Northwest Community College primarily engaged in teaching functions (Academic division including first and second year University Transfer Courses, Early Childhood Education, Social Service Worker, Community Support Worker Integrated Human Services, Community Resource Worker, Special Education Assistant program areas, BSC Nursing and degree granting programmes), except vocational instructors within the bargaining unit for which the BC Government Employees' and Service Union is certified, and also including Librarians, Counsellors, full-time CES Coordinators, Natural Resources Regional Coordinator – fifty percent (50, and Prior Learning Assessment Coordinator – fifty percent (50%).

The parties agree that when and if new programs or courses within a program are commenced by the College, or when a new position is created which provides services other than instructional duties, the bargaining unit to which the employees will be assigned will be determined by unanimous agreement of a three (3) person committee comprising a representative of each of the parties to this Agreement plus a representative of the BCGEU, or failing this, by the matter being referred to binding arbitration-under named arbitrators, Ms. Joan Gordon, Mr. Mark-Brown, Marguerite Jackson, Julie Nichols, or Rod Germaine.under named arbitrators, Mark Brown, Joan Gordon, Irene Holden, Marguerite Jackson, or Chris Sullivan.

The arbitration will be held under the arbitration process and all parties will be entitled to make submissions and lead evidence.

The parties agree that the cost of the arbitration will be split fifty percent (50%) to the dissenting party and fifty percent (50%) between the other two (2) parties.

0.0.1 The parties agree as follows: It is agreed that wherever in this Agreement the singular is used, the plural shall likewise apply, and that at any time the term 'he/his' is used, the term 'she/her' shall equally apply.

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2. Article 4 – Grievance and Arbitration Procedures

0.1 Initiation of Grievance

A grievance may be initiated by an employee, by the Union on behalf of an employee or the Union, by both the employee and the Union, or by the Employer. Any differences arising from this Agreement concerning its interpretation, application, operation, or any alleged violation thereof, and any question as to whether any matter is arbitrable shall be dealt with without stoppage of work, in the following manner.

*0.2 Step 1.

Every attempt shall be made to resolve the grievance at Step 1 by discussions between the aggrieved party, the College Step 1 designate, the Shop Steward, and other persons involved. If these preliminary discussions fail to settle the grievance in a satisfactory manner, the Shop Steward shall, within thirty (30) days after that date:

- 0.2.1 on which the College Step 1 designate was notified orally or in writing of the action or circumstances giving rise to the grievance, or
- 0.2.2 on which the College Step 1 designate first became aware of the action or circumstances giving rise to the grievance, whichever is applicable, present the grievance in writing setting out the nature of the grievance and the circumstances from which it arose and the Article(s) violated. The grievance shall be presented to the College Step 2 designate (Manager, Human Resources), who shall provide the steward with a receipt showing the date on which the grievance was received.
- 0.3 Time Limit to Reply at Step 2
- 0.3.1 Within seven (7) days of receiving the grievance at Step 2, the College designate and the Shop Steward shall meet to establish the facts, to examine the nature of the grievance and to attempt to resolve the dispute. This meeting may be waived by mutual agreement.
- 0.3.2 The College designate shall reply to the Shop Steward in writing within fourteen (14) days of receiving the grievance at Step 2.

0.4 Failure to Act

If the Union does not present a grievance to the next higher level within the prescribed time limits, the grievance will be deemed to have been abandoned. The Union shall not be deemed to have prejudiced its position on any further grievances.

*0.5 Arbitration

- 0.5.1 Failing settlement at Step 2, and should the griever wish to pursue the matter, the Union shall, within fifteen (15) days from the date of receipt of the decision, notify the College in writing of its intent to submit the grievance to arbitration.
- 0.5.2 Within thirty (30) days of notice of submission to arbitration, the notifying party shall arrange the arbitrator and set arbitration dates for the hearing. Failure to do so



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within the thirty (30) day period shall result in the deemed abandonment of the grievance.

0.5.3 The Arbitration-Board parties shall appoint a single arbitrator by mutual agreement to hear a matter from the following: shall consist of one (1) member. One (1) of Joan Gordon, Mark Brown, Marguerite Jackson, Julie Nichols, or Rod Germaine Mark Brown, Joan Gordon, Irene Holden, Marguerite Jackson, or Chris Sullivan shall be appointed to act as Arbitrator for all grievances referred by the parties to arbitration.

In the event that the chosen Arbitrator is unable to hear an arbitration within a fourmonth (4) period of its being referred to him/her one of the others shall be appointed to sit as arbitrator for this occasion. In the event that none of the persons named above is available to hear the arbitration within the four-month (4) period, then the arbitration shall be referred back to one of the persons named above, at the earliest time the parties are available.

- 0.5.4 The decision in writing of the Arbitration Board <u>Arbitrator</u> shall be final and binding on both parties, but the Arbitration Board <u>Arbitrator</u> shall not have power to amend this Agreement in any respect.
- 0.5.5 The Arbitration Board <u>Arbitrator</u> shall provide full opportunity to all parties to present evidence and make representations to it.
- 0.5.6 Each party to the arbitration shall pay its own expenses and costs of arbitration, and one-half (½) the compensation and expenses of the Arbitrator and of stenographic and other expenses of the Arbitration Board<u>Arbitrator</u>.

"Where either party to this Agreement disputes the general application, interpretation or alleged violation of an Article or Clause of this Agreement, the dispute shall be discussed between the Employer and the Union with a view to resolving the dispute within forty-five (45) days of the occurrence of the dispute. Where no satisfactory agreement is reached, either party may submit the dispute to arbitration within fifteen (15) days after the forty-five (45) day period."

The time limits specified in this Article may be extended or waived by mutual agreement in writing between the parties.



3. Delete Article 6.12.7

6.12.7 Each employee shall be issued a permanent float of an amount to be determined by the appropriate Division Head in consultation with the Vice-President, Finance and Administration. Each employee shall sign a statement once each year attesting to the position of the float.

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4. 6.8 Long Term Disability

The Employer shall maintain a Long Term Disability plan for all regular employees. Membership in the plan is compulsory. The plan shall provide monetary benefit equal to seventy percent (70%) of monthly salary to a four thousand dollars (\$4000) four thousand five hundred dollars (\$4500) maximum per month, to the age of sixty-five (65). The employees shall pay one hundred percent (100%) of the premium of the plan. Effective April 1, 1995, the Employer will pay one hundred (100%) percent of the premium of the plan.



5. 6.12 Special Allowances

6.12.2 Travel Expenses

0.5.4.1 When an employee uses his or her own car for College business he or she will be paid a rate of forty-five (45) cents, subject to Article 6.12.6.

Effective April 1, 2016, the rate will be forty-six (46) cents, subject to Article 6.12.6.

Effective April 1, 2018, the rate will be forty-eight (48) cents, subject to Article 6.12.6

Reimbursement under this clause will not exceed normal economy airfare plus other related costs such as, but not limited to, taxi, ferry, bus, car rental, local mileage, etc.

If the College raises the mileage for excluded personnel or other bargaining unit employees during the life of this Agreement, these rates will be amended accordingly.

6.12.4 Meal Allowances

While traveling on College business, employees will receive meal allowances as follows, where applicable:

Breakfast	\$ 10.00
Lunch	\$ 12.50
Dinner	\$ 22.00

Effective April 1, 2016, meal allowances will be:

Breakfast	\$ 10.25
Lunch	\$ 12.81
Dinner	\$ 22.55

Effective April 1, 2018, meal allowances will be:

Breakfast	<u>\$ 10.56</u>
Lunch	\$ 13.20
Dinner	<u>\$ 23.23</u>



6. 7.2.4 Short Term Professional Development

7.2.4

Effective April 1, 2001 2016, the College shall allocate at the beginning of each fiscal year the amount of fifty-two thousand four hundred dollars (\$50,000 \$52,400) to a fund to be administered by the Professional Development Committee. Any unspent balance at the end of the fiscal year shall be carried forward and added to the allocation for the next fiscal year. At the beginning of each fiscal year the Professional Development Committee referred to in Article 7.2.3 shall determine the allocation of funds to both professional development and assisted educational leave activities. Each year, the allocation to assisted educational leave activities shall not exceed fifty (50) percent.



7. Article 8.1 Selection Committee

8.1.1 A committee comprised of a minimum of four members which will include two (2) management representatives and two (2) faculty members, one (1) of whom is part of the discipline in which the vacancy occurs and the other who is the designate of the Union, will short list and interview candidates and make recommendations to the Board. <u>College President or designate</u>.

A recommendation for a regular appointment will be made by the selection committee.

The Union president will appoint the Union designate, and the discipline designate in consultation with the Academic Head.

The Selection Committee will meet and set minimum selection criteria based upon Article 8.4, create a job posting,-review and short list all applications, interview candidates and make recommendations to the Board College President or designate.



8. Article 8.6 Selection of Administrators

8.6 Selection of Administrators

Appointment of all excluded employees is clearly the responsibility of the Employer.

Selection Committee:

8.6.1 There shall be a selection committee with equal representation from CUPE, BCGEU, Administration and the College Board. The Union shall designate their representative(s).

8.6.2 The selection committee will meet and set the minimum selection criteria, create a job posting, review and short list all applications, interview candidates and make recommendations to the College Board President or designate (or Board, in the event of a Presidential search).

9. Article 9 Appointment of Employees

*9.1 Initial Appointment Procedure - Regular Employees

The initial offer of appointment shall be made verbally to the prospective employee by the appropriate Dean. This offer shall be open to acceptance for forty-eight (48) hours. Upon verbal acceptance the lengths and conditions of appointments shall be clearly stated in writing through letters of appointment. All candidates for appointment shall be sent two (2) copies of the letter of appointment signed by the President or his/her designate <u>at least ten (10) business days prior to the start of the appointment,</u> <u>where possible</u>. The employee shall sign one (1) of the copies and within ten (10) days from the date of delivery return it to the College signifying acceptance of the appointment. All new employees appointed as regular employees shall have a date of appointment which allows for reasonable time for preparation prior to the commencement of classes.

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9.2.3 The determination of suitability for a continuing appointment shall be in accordance with the principles and procedures in Article 10.

Should the employee's appointment be terminated in either Article 9.2.1 or Article 9.2.2 above, the College Board President or designate shall provide the employee with written reasons for termination three (3) months prior to the expiration of the initial or second probationary period. A copy of the letter of termination will be given to the Union President.

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*9.5 Part-Time Appointments

All vacancies will be posted in accordance with Article 8.2. The appropriate Assistant / Associate / Academic Head shall receive all applications to a posting, and shall obtain a written recommendation from the relevant discipline / programme / department regarding the suitability of the candidates for posted positions, and shall take into account the seniority of qualified internal applicants. Subject to Article 8.1.3 recommendations for the appointment of part-time instructors will be made by the appropriate Assistant / Associate Academic Head through the Academic Head. The Academic Head will recommend the appointment of part-time instructors to the Dean. Verbal offers of appointment shall be made by the <u>appropriate Assistant / Associate / Academic Head prior by the Dean</u> before the commencement of classes. The rights or regular employees as per Article 9.1 shall also apply to part-time employees.



10. Article 10 Evaluation

10.3.2.3 Student evaluations based on a uniform questionnaire prepared by the Evaluation Committee and student comments elicited along with the questionnaire. Student evaluations shall be carried out toward the end of each semester or towards the end of a course for all employees. The appropriate student evaluation forms will be circulated by Student Services the Office of the Dean and returned to them for compilation.

The compilation for each instructor will first include a tabulation of frequency scores and a numerical average of the ratings for each item of the questionnaire obtained from the students in each of the instructor's classes separately. Second, a numerical average based on the student ratings for each item of the questionnaire added together for all of an instructor's classes. In addition, for information purposes, the average numerical rating for each question by all students in all science courses, humanities/social science courses and career courses will be compiled to provide group data and an overall average numerical rating for each question of all students for all instructors will also be compiled. Finally, student comments will be typed, collated by class and included along with the above compilations.

The results of each student evaluation shall be made available to the employee and to the Evaluation Committee. Student Services The Office of the Dean will accumulate the student evaluations which will then form part of the employee evaluation at the appropriate time cycle.



11. Article 10.3 Evaluation Procedure

10.3.3 Within one (1) week of the completion of the evaluation of an employee's performance, the results of the evaluation with any recommendations shall be conveyed to the employee and to the College President-Vice President Academic. The results of the evaluation with any recommendations of the committee will be forwarded to the appropriate Deans. It is understood and agreed that the results of any evaluation shall not be used for any disciplinary action. All documentation used to make the evaluation shall be given to the employee and to the College President Academic.

10.3.4 When the College President the Vice President Academic receives from the Evaluation Committee the final results of the evaluation of an employee from the Evaluation Committee, he/she shall convey these the results, together with his/her written comments and recommendations to the College Board President. The College President's written comments and recommendations shall also be given to the employee concerned being evaluated. The College Vice President Academic may delegate the writing of these comments and recommendations to the appropriate line administrator who currently sits on the evaluation committee as defined in Article 10.3.1.

10.3.5 The College Board President shall consider evaluations and any recommendations regarding evaluations at the earliest opportunity. Any action taken as a result of evaluation shall be conveyed to the employee within one (1) week of the Board his/her decision.

10.3.6 All summary results of an employee's evaluation, together with a documentation summary, shall be placed in the employee's personnel file.

10.3.7 None of the documentation and evaluation results shall be made available to other persons except that the Union President shall receive a copy of the summary evaluation from the Evaluation Committee, a copy of the College-President's Vice President Academic's written comments and recommendations., and a copy of the Board-College President's decision at the time these are conveyed to the employee. The above notwithstanding, documentation from the evaluation may be used in program evaluation with the written agreement of the employees.



12. Article 13

13.2.1.21. 13.2.1.10.4 Videoconferencing

A videoconferencing course is a course where a student communicates with the instructor through videoconferencing technology.

<u>Videoconferencing technology may be utilized in the delivery of college courses or programs.</u> Labs and practica will not be videoconferenced under any circumstances.

<u>Videoconferencing courses shall be limited to a maximum of one (1) course per semester per</u> <u>employee. Such courses shall only be offered by Regular and/or Temporary Employees and will be</u> <u>subject to the workload provisions of this collective agreement including but not limited to Article 13.</u> <u>The use of video-conferencing technology will be a matter of Employee choice.</u>

The first time an instructor delivers any course making use of videoconferencing technology he or she will receive an additional one half (0.5] section for training which will be provided by the Employer.

<u>13.2.1.11.1</u> The total number of students at all centers shall be no more than twenty-four (24) students. There shall be a minimum of two (2) students at the originating NWCC campus.

<u>13.2.1.11.2</u> The Employer shall provide all equipment and support including technical support, required for the development or delivery of all videoconferenced courses. Employees shall not be required to provide technical support to students or themselves. All technical support shall be provided by the Employer.

The Employer will provide clerical support at the receiving campus(es). Such support shall be in place prior to the delivery of the course. Such support shall be reasonable and include copying, distribution and collection of assignments, materials, and exams as required by the College Professor.

<u>13.2.1.11.3</u> No employee(s) shall lose work as a result of development and/or delivery of courses making use of videoconferencing technology.

Renumber rest of Article 13.2



13. 13.6.2 Timetable

13.6.2 <u>The College's instructional timetables are the responsibility of the Registrar.</u> Timetables shall be initiated at the department / program level and shall be determined by a process of consultation between the Academic / Associate / Assistant Academic Head and instructional departments. Timetables shall be submitted to the Dean for consideration and approval <u>by March 1st</u>, which <u>approval</u> shall not be unreasonably denied. <u>Timetables will be available to the students within two (2) weeks of the workloads being approved. In the event that timetables have not been submitted by March 1st, the <u>Registrar may complete and post the timetable(s).</u></u>



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14. Article 16 Early Retirement Plan

16.1 Eligibility

The college may offer to a faculty member or a faculty member may request a choice of the early retirement incentive alternatives described provided the employee meets the following criteria:

- (a) Is age fifty-five (55) or over
- (b) Has a minimum of ten (10) years pensionable service under pension plans administered by the British Columbia Pension Corporation
- (c) Is a regular employee at the time of early retirement
- (d) Is on the maximum step of the salary scale
- (e) Elects to cease employment with the College for the purposes of retirement

Effective April 1, 2002, <u>dDuring</u> any contract year, the College shall accept at least one (1), but not necessarily more than one (1) employee's request (provided there are such requests) of early retirement within thirty (30) days of the request being made. If more than one (1) request is made, then the selection shall be made as per Article 16.3.

16.2 Agreement

16.2.1 Application to the plan is voluntary except in cases arising from the application of Article 11. A faculty member who wishes to be considered for early retirement incentive shall do so in writing <u>no</u> <u>later than December 1 for retirement that will occur during the College's next Fiscal Year</u>, at least nine (9) months before their planned date of retirement. The College shall provide copies of all applications to the Union.



15. New Article 16.8

16.8 Union Representation

<u>There shall be a shop steward present at all meetings where an offer of early retirement is being</u> made pursuant to Article 16. The Union shall receive copies of all correspondence relating to Early <u>Retirement.</u>



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16. LETTERS OF UNDERSTANDING (LOUS)/AGREEMENT (LOAS)

Letter of Understanding (New)

Letter of Understanding Between Northwest Community College and CUPE Local 2409/CIEA Local 11

Re: Online Courses

The development, delivery, and revision of courses or programs making use of online technology shall be a matter of employee choice, up to a maximum of two [2] courses making use of online technology per semester per individual employee. Such courses shall only be offered by Regular and/or Temporary Employees and will be subject to the workload provisions of this collective agreement including but not limited to Article 13.

Class size of on-line courses shall be no larger than twenty-four (24) students.

The Employer shall provide all equipment and support including technical support, required for the development or delivery of all online courses. Employees shall not be required to provide technical support to students or themselves. All technical support shall be provided by the Employer.

The Employer will provide clerical support at the receiving campus(es). Such support shall be in place prior to the delivery of the course. Such support shall be reasonable and may include copying, distribution and collection of assignments, materials, and exams as required by the College Professor.

The employer will provide training support in the learning management system(s) that the employee chooses to use.

The development of each different on-line or web-based course by an Employee is equal to one (1) section of release time.

No employee(s) shall be laid off as the result of development and /or delivery of courses or programs making use of online technology.

The parties agree that they will strike a oint committee with equal representation from the Employer and Union to review this letter of understanding no later than August 31, 2018, and provide any recommendations to their respective principals for review by December 31, 2018. The parties agree that they do not have the authority to bind their respective principals to any recommendations that the joint committee may make.

This Letter of Understanding expires effective March 31, 2019, unless expressly and explicitly renewed by the parties to the LOU.

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Letters of Understanding (LOU) for Deletion

LOU Re Prior Learning Assessment – June 12, 2001

Memorandum of Agreement Re Jurisdiction of Community Resource Worker dated May 14, 1997 LOU Re 1.1 Parties to the Agreement and 1.12.1 Calculations for Cross Union Appointments LOU Re Educational Technology and Distributed Learning

Renew the following

Letter of Agreement Re Workload Grievances ECE and SSW, November 22, 1993 Memorandum Re Workload Review of ECE and SSW dated July 16, 1987



17. Article 8.3 Applicant Records

On the advice of the Selection Committee, unsuccessful candidates will be notified by the Manager, <u>Assistant Vice President of</u> Human Resources or designate and all applications will be maintained in that office. The Union is to have access to job application files which will be maintained for a minimum of three (3) months from the date the position was commenced.



Article 1.3 Term of the Agreement Article 5.2.2 Establishment of Placement Article 6.6 Accident Insurance Article 6.7.1 Article 6.12.3 Accommodation Article 8.7 Election of Coordinators Article 11.2.6



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1.3 Term of the Agreement

This Agreement shall be binding and remain in full force and effect from April 1, 2012 2014 to March 31, 2014 2019 inclusive. Thereafter, if no agreement is reached at the expiration of the Agreement, the Agreement shall remain in force until a new Agreement is entered into, or until commencement of a strike or lockout. Where a specific end date or duration is stated in an article of the agreement, such date or duration shall take precedence over this article.

Any changesdeemed necessary in this Agreement may be made by mutual consent of the parties at any time during the term of this Agreement.

Signed this 2.4 of June, 2015

For the College:

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Northwest Community College & CUPE Local 2409/FPSE Local 11 Agreed item June 23, 2015

Amend Article 5.2.2 to read:

Establishment of Placement will start at Step 1-11.

Signed this $\underline{23}$ day of June. 2015

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For CUPE 2409/FPSE 11

Union Housekeeping Proposal Article 6.6

6.6 Accident Insurance

This plan is compulsory at fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) per regular employee as a condition of employment. Effective April-1, 1995 the <u>The</u> Employer will pay one hundred (100%) percent of the premium. The parties will explore the cancellation of the accident insurance should the premiums for this insurance be better utilized as an enhanced benefit in LTD.

Signed this 24 of June, 2015

For the College:

Union Housekeeping Proposal Article 6.7.1

6.7.1 A regular employee with fifty percent (50%) or more of a full-time workload, as defined in Article 13 2.1, who is unable to work because of an illness or injury shall be maintained by the College on regular pay for the first (1") one hundred twenty (120) calendar days absence, subject to medical certification of disability after the first (1") two (2) weeks and subsequently every month. After the one hundred twenty (120) days an employee shall receive benefits in accordance with the provisions of the Long Term Disability Plan. The Sick Leave Plan includes Appendix A attached to and forming part of this Collective Agreement.

Signed this $\underline{24}$ of June, 2015

For the College:

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Union Housekeeping Proposal Article 6.12.3

6.12.3 Accommodation

Employees will be reimbursed for the actual costs of hotels upon production of receipts or twenty five (25) dollars (effective July 1, 2001, thirty-five (35) dollars) per day while traveling on College business.

Signed this $\underline{24}$ of June, 2015

For the College: H

Northwest Community College & CUPE Local 2409/FPSE Local 11

Agreed item June 23, 2015

Amend Article 8.7 to read:

8.7 Election of Coordinators

At a Union meeting in December of each year, the members of the bargaining unit shall elect one (1) of their members to each department and regional coordinator position for a term of one (1) year commencing on the following September 1st. The election of coordinators will be made by the faculty from the department. The names of the elected nominees will be sent as a recommendation to the appropriate management representative. Administrator

Signed this <u>23</u> day of June. 2015

For NWCC

For CUPE 2409/FPSE 11

Union Housekeeping Proposal Article 11.2.6

- 11.2.6 Effective July 1, 2001, the <u>The</u> employee may opt for severance pay on the basis of:
 - 11.2.6.1 One (1) month's current pay for each year of seniority rounded upward to the nearest year to a maximum of six (6) months' salary and:
 - 11.2.6.2 One (1) additional month's current pay for each additional five (5) years of seniority rounded upward to the nearest year to a maximum of four (4) months' salary.

Signed June 24, 2015

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2014 - FPSE TEMPLATE TABLE ("FTT")

between

<u>POST-SECONDARY EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION ("PSEA")</u> representing those employer-members participating in the 2014 FTT

("the Employers")

and

FEDERATION OF POST-SECONDARY EDUCATORS OF BC ("FPSE") representing those of its local unions participating (and whose employers are participating) in the 2014 FTT

(FPSE locals referred to as "the Unions")

The parties listed in Schedule "1" have agreed that the following items will form part of the Memorandum of Agreement between them for the 2014 FPSE Common Agreement. The parties listed in Schedule "1" agree to recommend this Memorandum of Agreement together with the applicable local Memorandum of Agreement to their respective principals.

All changes to existing language are indicated by bold, italicized text and / or strikethrough where required for clarity.

The effective date for all changes to the new Common Agreement will be the date of ratification, unless otherwise specified.

All of the terms of the 2012-2014 FPSE Faculty Common Agreement continue except as specifically varied below.

1. Article 2- Harassment

Effective the date of ratification, the Employer and the Union agree to amend Article 2.3.5(c) as follows:

"2.3.5 Terms of Reference of the Investigator

- (a) The purpose of the investigator will be to ascertain facts.
- (b) All persons quoted in the investigation will be named by code determined by the investigator to preserve confidentiality.
- (c) The complete report of the Investigator will be given, in confidence, to the union(s) and the employer. It is the responsibility of the employer to forward a copy of the report to the complainant and the respondent alleged harasser. The employer will state, in a covering letter, that the



report is confidential. The report should refer to individuals involved by code only. However, a reference key will be provided to the employer and the union(s) for internal use. This practice should be repeated at any subsequent arbitral proceeding. Upon consultation with the union, the employer may redact information from the forwarded report if the release of that information would violate the personal privacy of individuals.

- (d) The report will not be introduced as evidence or have standing in any arbitration, or other legal procedure. This does not preclude the parties from reaching an Agreed Statement of Fact based upon facts in the report in preparation for an arbitral proceeding.
- (e) Reliance on Report of Third Party Investigator

Despite 2.3.3 (d), an institution is entitled to rely on the fact of mediation or the report of a third party investigator as evidence that may mitigate liability in a proceeding that follows receipt of the third party investigator's report.

The employer is entitled to rely on the investigator's report as evidence that it acted in good faith in any disciplinary action that it undertook following receipt of the third party investigator's report where the issue of good faith is raised by a grievor or the union.

- (f) The investigator will not be compellable as a witness in any arbitration or other legal procedure which may result from the investigation.
- (g) The investigator will conclude her/his work within twenty (20) days of appointment and will render a report within a further ten (10) days. These timelines may be extended if deemed appropriate by the local parties. If a dispute arises with respect to the extension, the matter will be referred to JADRC. If requested by the investigator, the employer will provide meeting space and contact information about persons to be interviewed.
- (h) The investigator may, as part of her/his report, make recommendations for resolution of the complaint.
- (i) The investigator's report will not be placed on an employee's file."



2. Article 3 - Employer / Union Relations

(a) Effective the date of ratification, the Employer and the Union agree to amend Article 3.2.3(d) as follows:

"3.2.3 Purpose

The purpose of JADRC is to:

- (a) Assist in the administration of collective agreements.
- (b) Provide a forum for dialogue between the Parties respecting issues Impacting labour relations.
- (c) Provide a means for resolving issues pertaining to the implementation, interpretation and resolution of matters arising from the Common Agreement.
- (d) Appoint an-umpire(s) or arbitrator(s) as applicable for:

 Jurisdictional Disputes-Resolving-process

 (ii)
 Suspension and Discharge Grievance Resolution

 (iii)
 Common Agreement Dispute Resolution

(e) Develop strategies to reduce arbitration and related costs."

(b) Effective the date of ratification, the Employer and the Union agree to delete Article 3.2.6 as follows:

#3.2.6 Suspension and Discharge Grievance Resolution

Where a grievance is filed concerning the suspension or discharge of an employee, and after the local grievance procedure-has been exhausted or deemed completed by agreement of the local parties, either party may refer the grievance to JADRC. JADRC's designated registrar will refer the grievance to an arbitrator-within thirty (30) calendar days of the registrar's receipt of the grievance. (See Appendix D for the list of arbitrators.) It is understood that the actual number of hearing days will not exceed three (3) days unless otherwise agreed by the local parties or as directed by the arbitrator.

Process, timelines and costs will be in accordance with Article 3.2.5."

(c) Effective the date of ratification, the Employer and the Union agree to delete Article 3.3 as follows:

"3.3 Jurisdictional Dispute Resolving Process

1.1.2 Preamble

The purpose of this Article is to outline a jurisdictional dispute resolution process which is equitable, expeditious and reflects the desire of the Parties to promote effective working relationships.

Page 3 of 23 Employer Proposals re: 2014 FPSE Template Table Bargaining The Parties agree that the following process will be used in the event of a dispute respecting the appropriateness of a bargaining unit placement where the institution introduces a new position or significantly revises an existing position.

1.1.3 Process

- (a) When requested, the institution will provide a bargaining unit position or job description to the union(s)-certified at the institution. The union may request such things as a draft job posting, job description, course outline, organizational chart, and other relevant-information. The institution-will make every reasonable effort to respond to the request within seven (7) days of receipt of the request, but not later than thirtyone (31) days of receipt of the request.
- (b) For-a new position or when a significant change has occurred, a-local party may request a meeting pursuant to Article 3.3.2(c) below, to resolve any dispute which may arise concerning the appropriateness of bargaining unit placement.
- (c) When requested, the local parties will meet within twenty one (21) calendar days. Every effort will be made to reach agreement on the appropriate bargaining unit placement.
- (d) When there remains a dispute a local-party may refer the matter within thirty (30) calendar days to a Jurisdictional Assignment Umpire it selects from a list of Umpires appointed by the JADRC.
- (e) The referral will include a brief outline of the particulars of the dispute, a-summary of the party's position on the matter and copies of documents upon which the party intends to rely. A copy of the referral and documents will be sent to each union certified and the institution.
- (f) The-Umpire will convene a hearing within-twenty one (21) days of receipt of the initial referral.
- (g) The Umpire will direct an exchange of particulars and documents upon which the parties intend to rely no-later-than-seven (7) days prior to a hearing of the matter.
- (h) The hearing will be expedited in all respects and conducted on an Informal basis.
- (i) ---- The expenses and fees of the Umpire will be borne equally among the parties involved in the dispute.
- (j) In determining the appropriateness of bargaining unit placement, the Umpire shall consider:
 - (i) job elements;
 - (ii) past practice;
 - (iii) impact on industrial relations;
 - (iv) community of interest;

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- (v) employee-preference, falrness and equity; (vi) certification definition(s};
- (wil) and such other factors as deemed appropriate by the Umpire.
- (k) The Umpire will render a decision within twenty-one (21) days after the conclusion of the hearing.
- (I) The parties will accept the decision as final and binding on-each-of them."

Subsequent provisions will be re-numbered accordingly and the parties will review the agreement to correct any cross references as a result of the deletions.

(d) Effective the date of ratification, the Employer and the Union agree to amend Article 13.3 as follows:

"The following Articles are not subject to Article 13.1 above:

- Article 2 Harassment
- Article 3.1 Human Resource Database
- Article 3.2.1 3.2.5 Joint Administration and Dispute Resolution Committee
- Article 3.3 Jurisdiction Dispute Resolution Process
- Article 4 Prior Learning Assessment
- Article 6.1.7 Referral to JADRC
- Article 6.2 Program Transfers and Mergers
- Article 6. 3 Registry of Laid Off Employees
- Article 6.4 Targeted Labour Adjustment
- Article 6.6 Educational Technology/ Distributed Learning
- Article 7.8 Compassionate Care Leave
- Article 9.1 Joint Committee on Benefits Administration
- Article 9.3 Disability Benefits
- Article 12.1 and Appendix A Provincial Salary Scale
- Article 12.2 Secondary Scale Adjustment
- Article 13 Letter of Understanding Expedited Arbitration"

3. Article 8 – Parental Leave

Effective the date of ratification, the Employer and the Union agree to delete Article 8.5.3 as follows:

"8.5.3 If an employee is disentitled or disgualified from Employment Insurance maternity or parental benefits, the employee shall receive the supplemental payment to the appropriate percentage less the amount of Employment Insurance benefits the employee would have received if qualified for Employment Insurance benefits."
4. Article 9 - Health and Welfare Benefits

(a) Effective the date of ratification, the Employer and the Union agree to delete Article 9.1.3 as follows:

"9,1.3 Savings

All savings realized through the process of the Joint Committee on Benefits will be used to improve benefits, including disability benefits, either through actions taken by the Committee or the formal-bargaining process between the Parties."

Subsequent provisions will be re-numbered accordingly and the parties will review the agreement to correct any cross references as a result of the deletions.

(b) While not to be included in the Common Agreement, effective the first of January following the date of ratification, the Parties agree that Extended Health Benefits plans will be amended such that the per calendar year individual and family deductibles will be increased by twenty-five (\$25).

(c) The Employers agree to amend the Extended Health Benefits plans as follows:

- (i) Effective January 1, 2017, vision care coverage shall be increased to \$500 every two (2) years.
- (ii) While not to be included in the Common Agreement, effective January 1, 2016, the reimbursement for professional services will be amended from \$10 per visit maximum for the first twelve (12) visits per calendar year to \$10 per visit maximum for the first five (5) visits per calendar year, where applicable and subject to the terms of each applicable Extended Health Benefits plans.
- (iii) Effective January 1, 2017, hearing aid coverage shall be increased to \$1000 every three (3) years.
- (iv) While not to be included in the Common Agreement, effective January 1, 2017, upon physician referral and subject to the terms of each applicable Extended Health Benefits plan, charges for a provincially licensed Substance Abuse Rehabilitation Facility, when not covered by a provincial medical plan, will be reimbursed to a lifetime maximum of \$25,000 per eligible insured.

(d) While not to be included in the Common Agreement, effective the first of the month following the date of ratification, the Employers agree that the existing short term disability benefits (STD) cut-off date will be amended to be the date upon which the employee reaches age seventy (70), or the date upon which the employee's employment terminates, whichever first occurs. All existing administrative and eligibility requirements remain unchanged.

The Unions agree that the STD benefits beyond age 65 component of all current grievances, with regard to the continuation of STD benefits beyond age 65 shall be withdrawn on a with prejudice basis; however, this is without prejudice to the positions of the Parties regarding the long term disability benefits and other components of current grievances. No new grievances on the STD issue will be advanced by any Union listed in Schedule "1" to this agreement.

5. <u>Article 12 – Salaries</u>

Effective the date of ratification, the Employers and the Union agree to amend Article 12 as follows:

(a) "12.1 Provincial Salary Scale

The Provincial Salary Scale is attached as Appendix A.

- (a) Effective the first day of the first full pay period after April 01, 2015 or the first day of the first full pay period after the date of tentative settlement of the collective agreement (whichever is later), all annual rates of pay in Appendix A of the collective agreement which were in effect on March 31, 2015 shall be increased by one percent (1%). The Parties agree that retroactive adjustment will apply in the case of a tentative settlement on or before September 1, 2015. After that date there will be no retroactive adjustment.
- (b) Effective the first day of the first full pay period after February 01, 2016, all annual rates of pay in Appendix A of the collective agreement which were in effect on January 31, 2016 shall be increased by the Economic Stability Dividend*.
- (c) Effective the first day of the first full pay period after April 01, 2016, all annual rates of pay in Appendix A of the collective agreement which were in effect on March 31, 2016 shall be increased by one-half of one percent (0.5%).
- (d) Effective the first day of the first full pay period after February 01, 2017, all annual rates of pay in Appendix A of the collective agreement which were in effect on January 31, 2017 shall be increased by one percent (1%) plus the Economic Stability Dividend*.
- (e) Effective the first day of the first full pay period after April 01, 2017, all annual rates of pay in Appendix A of the collective agreement which were in effect on March 31, 2017 shall be increased by one-half of one percent (0.5%).
- (f) Effective the first day of the first full pay period after February 01, 2018, all annual rates of pay in Appendix A of the collective agreement which were in effect on January 31, 2018 shall be increased by one percent (1%) plus the Economic Stability Dividend*.
- (g) Effective the first day of the first full pay period after April 01, 2018, all annual rates of pay in Appendix A of the collective agreement which were in effect on March 31, 2018 shall be increased by one-half of one percent (0.5%).
- (h) Effective the first day of the first full pay period after February 01, 2019, all annual rates of pay in Appendix A of the collective agreement which were in effect on January 31, 2019 shall be increased by one percent (1%) plus the Economic Stability Dividend*.

The new rates shall be rounded to the nearest whole dollar. These wage increases shall apply to all current employees who are members of the bargaining unit.

* See Appendix A for the Memorandum of Understanding on the Economic Stability Dividend (ESD)."

The general wage increases listed above are reflected in the revised Provincial Salary Scale which is referenced in Item #7 – Appendix "A", of this Memorandum of Agreement.

(b) "12.2 Secondary Scale Adjustment

12.2.1 All steps on secondary scales will be increased as follows:

- (a) Effective the first day of the first full pay period after April 01, 2015 or the first day of the first full pay period after the date of tentative settlement of the collective agreement (whichever is later): one percent (1%). The Parties agree that retroactive adjustment will apply in the case of a tentative settlement on or before September 1, 2015. After that date there will be no retroactive adjustment.
- (b) Effective the first day of the first full pay period after February 01, 2016: Economic Stability Dividend*
- (c) Effective the first day of the first full pay period after April 01, 2016: one-half of one percent (0.5%)
- (d) Effective the first day of the first full pay period after February 01, 2017: one percent
 (1%) plus Economic Stability Dividend*
- (e) Effective the first day of the first full pay period after April 01, 2017: one-half of one percent (0.5%)
- (f) Effective the first day of the first full pay period after February 01, 2018: one percent
 (1%) plus Economic Stability Dividend*
- (g) Effective the first day of the first full pay period after April 01, 2018: one-half of one percent (0.5%)
- (h) Effective the first day of the first full pay period after February 01, 2019: one percent
 (1%) plus Economic Stability Dividend*

The new rates shall be rounded to the nearest whole cent or dollar as applicable. These wage increases shall apply to all current employees who are members of the bargaining unit.

* See Appendix A for the Memorandum of Understanding on the Economic Stability Dividend (ESD).

12.2.2 Despite Article 12.2.1, above, local parties may elect to revise secondary scales to the extent possible within a weighted average of the salary increases specified in Article 12.2.1."

(c) "12.6 Faculty Administrative Stipends

Stipends currently in place for faculty administrative positions that are occupied by employees covered by this Agreement shall be increased as follows:

- (a) Effective the first day of the first full pay period after April 01, 2015 or the first day of the first full pay period after the date of tentative settlement of the collective agreement (whichever is later): one percent (1%). The Parties agree that retroactive adjustment will apply in the case of a tentative settlement on or before September 1, 2015. After that date there will be no retroactive adjustment.
- (b) Effective the first day of the first full pay period after February 01, 2016: Economic Stability Dividend*
- (c) Effective the first day of the first full pay period after April 01, 2016: one-half of one percent (0.5%)
- (d) Effective the first day of the first full pay period after February 01, 2017: one percent (1%) plus Economic Stability Dividend*
- (e) Effective the first day of the first full pay period after April 01, 2017: one-half of one percent (0.5%)
- (f) Effective the first day of the first full pay period after February 01, 2018: one percent (1%) plus Economic Stability Dividend*
- (g) Effective the first day of the first full pay period after April 01, 2018: one-half of one percent (0.5%)
- (h) Effective the first day of the first full pay period after February 01, 2019: one percent (1%) plus Economic Stability Dividend*

The new rates shall be rounded to the nearest whole cent or dollar as applicable. These wage increases shall apply to all current employees who are members of the bargaining unit.

* See Appendix A for the Memorandum of Understanding on the Economic Stability Dividend (ESD)."

6. Article 17 - Term

Effective the date of ratification, the Employer and the Union agree to amend Article 17 as follows:

"This Agreement shall be in effect from April 1, 20122014 to March 31, 20142019, and shall continue in force until the renewal of this Agreement."

7. Appendix A

TEP	01-Apr-14 to 31-Mar-15	01-Apr-15 ¹ to 31-Jan-16	015 Feb- 16 ^{1,2,3} to 31-Mar-16	01-Apr-16 ^{1,3} to 31-Jan-17	01-Feb- 17 ^{1;2,3} to 31-Mar-17	01-Apr- 17 ^{1,3} to 31-Jan-18	01-Feb- 18 ^{12,3} to 31-Mar-18	01-Apr-18 ^{1,3} to 31-Jan-19	01-Feb-19 ^{1,2,3} to 31-Mar-19
1	\$86,611	\$87,477	TBD ³	\$87,914	\$88,793	\$89,237	\$90,129	\$90,580	\$91,486
2	\$81,136	\$81,947	TBD	\$82,357	\$83,181	\$83,597	\$84,433	\$84,855	\$85,704
3	\$75,577	\$76,333	TBD	\$76,715	\$77,482	\$77,869	\$78,648	\$79,041	\$79,831
4	\$72,485	\$73,210	TBD	\$73,576	\$74,312	\$74,684	\$75,431	\$75,808	\$76,566
5	\$69,829	\$70,527	TBD	\$70,880	\$71,589	\$71,947	\$72,666	\$73,029	\$73,759
6	\$67,175	\$67,847	TBD	\$68,186	\$68,868	\$69,212	\$69,904	\$70,254	\$70,957
7	\$64,519	\$65,164	TBD	\$65,490	\$66,145	\$66,476	\$67,141	\$67,477	\$68,152
	\$61,864	\$62,483	TBD	\$62,795	\$63,423	\$63,740	\$64,377	\$64,699	\$65,346
9	\$59,209	\$59,801	TBD	\$60,100	\$60,701	\$61,005	\$61,615	\$61,923	\$62,542
10	\$56,554	\$57,120	TBD	\$57,406	\$57,980	\$58,270	\$58,853	\$59,147	\$59,738
11	\$53,900	\$54,439	TBD	\$54,711	\$55,258	\$55,534	\$56,089	\$56,369	\$56,933

APPENDIX A PROVINCIAL SALARY SCALE

¹The first day of the first full pay period after this date. For April 1, 2015, the first day of the first full pay period after this date or the first day of the first full pay period after the date of tentative settlement of the collective agreement (whichever is later). The Parties agree that retroactive adjustment will apply in the case of a tentative settlement on or before September 1, 2015. After that date there will be no retroactive adjustment.

²See below for Appendix A - Memorandum of Understanding on the Economic Stability Dividend (ESD). Annual wage rate may be adjusted depending on the ESD.

³ Annual wage rates to be determined depending on the ESD.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (NEW)

Re ECONOMIC STABILITY DIVIDEND (ESD)

Definitions

1. In this Letter of Agreement:

"Collective agreement year" means each twelve (12) month period commencing on the first day of the renewed collective agreement. For example, the collective agreement year for a collective agreement that commences on April 1, 2014 is April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015 and each period from April 1 to March 31 for the term of the collective agreement.

"Economic Forecast Council" means the Economic Forecast Council appointed under s. 4 of the *Budget Transparency and Accountability Act*, [S.B.C. 2000] c. 23.

"Forecast GDP" means the average forecast for British Columbia's real GDP growth made by the Economic Forecast Council and as reported in the annual February budget of the government.

"Fiscal year" means the fiscal year of the government as defined in the *Financial Administration Act* [1996 S.B.C.] c. 138 as 'the period from April 1 in one year to March 31 in the next year'.

"Calendar year" is a twelve (12) month period starting January 1st and ending December 31st of the same year based upon the Gregorian calendar.

"GDP" or "Gross Domestic Product" for the purposes of this LOA means the expenditure side value of all goods and services produced in British Columbia for a given year as stated in the BC Economic Accounts.

"GWI" or "General Wage Increase" means a general wage increase resulting from the formula set out in this LOA and applied as a percentage increase to all wage rates in the collective agreement on the first pay day after the commencement of the eleventh (11th) month in a collective agreement year.

"Real GDP" means the GDP for the previous fiscal year expressed in constant dollars and adjusted for inflation produced by Statistics Canada's Provincial and Territorial Gross Domestic Product by income and by Expenditure Accounts (also known as the provincial and territorial economic accounts) and published as "Real Gross Domestic Product at Market Prices" currently in November of each year.

The Economic Stability Dividend

2. The Economic Stability Dividend shares the benefits of economic growth between employees in the public sector and the Province contingent on growth in BC's real GDP.

3. Employees will receive a general wage increase (GWI) equal to one-half (1/2) of any percentage gain in real GDP above the forecast of the Economic Forecast Council for the relevant calendar year.

4. For greater clarity and as an example only, if real GDP were one percent (1%) above forecast real GDP then employees would be entitled to a GWI of one-half of one percent (0.5%).

Annual Calculation and publication of the Economic Stability Dividend

5. The Economic Stability Dividend will be calculated on an annual basis by the Minister of Finance for each collective agreement year commencing in 2015/16 to 2018/2019 and published through the PSEC Secretariat.

6. The timing in each calendar year will be as follows:

- (i) February Budget Forecast GDP for the upcoming calendar year;
- November of the following calendar year Real GDP published for the previous calendar year;
- (iii) November Calculation by the Minister of Finance of fifty percent (50%) of the difference between the Forecast GDP and the Real GDP for the previous calendar year;
- (iv) Advice from the PSEC Secretariat to employers' associations, employers and unions of the percentage allowable General Wage Increase, if any, for each bargaining unit or group with authorization to employers to implement the Economic Stability Dividend.

7. For greater clarity and as an example only:

For collective agreement year 3 (2016/17):

- (i) February 2015 Forecast GDP for calendar 2015;
- (ii) November 2016 Real GDP published for calendar 2015;
- (iii) November 2016 Calculation of the fifty percent (50%) of the difference between the 2015 Forecast GDP and the 2015 Real GDP by the Minister of Finance through the PSEC Secretariat;
- (IV) Direction from the PSEC Secretariat to employers' associations, employers and unions of the percentage allowable General Wage Increase, if any, for each bargaining unit or group with authorization to employers to implement the Economic Stability Dividend
- (v) Payment will be made concurrent with the General Wage Increases on the first pay period after respectively February, 1, 2016, February 1, 2017, February 1, 2018 and February 1, 2019.

Availability of the Economic Stability Dividend

8. The Economic Stability Dividend will be provided for each of the following collective agreement years: 2015/16 (based on 2014 GDP); 2016/17 (based on 2015 GDP); 2017/18 (based on 2016 GDP); and, 2018/19 (based on 2017 GDP).

Allowable Method of Payment of the Economic Stability Dividend

9. Employers must apply the Economic Stability Dividend as a percentage increase only on collective agreements wage rates and for no other purpose or form.

8. Appendix B

Effective the date of ratification, the Employer and Union agree to amend Appendix B as follows:

The following list of investigators is attached for the use of the local parties at their option under Article 2.3.3 and 2.3.4

Rebecca Frame Irene Holden Deborah Lovett Betty Baxter Ana Mohammed John-Sanderson Louise Pohl

9. Appendix D

Effective the date of ratification, the Employer and Union agree to amend Appendix D as follows:

The following arbitrators are to be chosen in rotation as referenced in Articles 3.2.4 and 3.2.6:

Bob Blasina-Irene Holden Joan Gordan Gordon Judi Korbin Chris Sullivan Colin Taylor

This list may be amended at any time by the Joint Administration Dispute Resolution Committee.

10. Letters of Understanding

- (a) Effective the date of ratification, the Employer and the Union agree to delete the following Letters of Understanding:
 - i. Letter of Understanding #1 JADRC Operational Review
 - ii. Letter of Understanding #2 Employee Security and Regularization
 - iii. Letter of Understanding #3 Partial Sick Leave and Partial Disability Benefits
 - iv. Letter of Understanding #4 Respectful Working Environment
 - v. Letter of Understanding #6 2001 Local Negotiations
 - vi. Letter of Understanding #7 Salary Stipend
- (b) Effective the date of ratification, the Employer and the Union agree to renew Letter of Understanding #5 Variant Applications of Common Agreement Provisions to the NVIT Parties.



(c) Effective the date of ratification, the Employer and the Union agree to amend Letter of Understanding #8 as follows:

LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING 8

HARASSMENT INVESTIGATORS

Re: Harassment Investigators

The parties will form a committee consisting of not more than three (3) members appointed by FPSE, and an equal number of management appointments to discuss the skills and abilities required of harassment investigators. Specifically the committee will discuss the training and/or experience required for individuals to be added to the list of investigators in Appendix B of the Common Agreement.

Where the parties mutually agree, individuals completing the approved training program will be added to the list of investigators. These individuals will be the first called for investigations in accordance with their areas of expertise, knowledge, and experience.

The Committee shall begin meeting by May 1, 2013 and complete their duties by December 31 June 30, 20132015.

The committee will make recommendations to their principals. Any recommendations to be adopted by the parties are subject to ratification by the parties' principals.

Page 14 of 23 Employer Proposals re: 2014 FPSE Template Table Bargaining (d) Effective the date of ratification, the Employer and the Union agree to amend Letter of Understanding #9 as follows:

LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING 9

EXPEDITED ARBITRATION

Re: Expedited Arbitration

Effective the date of ratification, the parties agree that the following expedited arbitration process will be used for the resolution of grievances:

1. Expedited Arbitrations

Where a difference arises at an institution relating to the interpretation, application or administration of a local agreement, including where an allegation is made that a term or condition of a local agreement has been violated, either of the local parties may, after exhausting the steps of the grievance procedure under the local agreement, notify the other local party within ten (10) calendar days of receipt of the last grievance step reply, of its desire to arbitrate and to submit the difference or allegation to expedited arbitration before a single arbitrator.

2. Issues for Expedited Arbitration

- (a) All grievances except those relating to the following shall be resolved by expedited arbitration:
 - i. Dismissals;
 - ii. Suspensions in excess of five (5) working days;
 - iii. Policy grievances;
 - iv. Grievances requiring substantial interpretation of a provision of the collective agreement;
 - v. Grievances requiring the presentation of extrinsic evidence;
 - vi. Grievances where a local party intends to raise a preliminary objection;
 - vii. Grievances arising from the duty to accommodate; and
 - vili. Grievances arising from the interpretation, application and administration of the Common Agreement, including but not limited to, the application of Article 13.1 of the Common Agreement.
- (b) Those grievances not suitable for resolution at expedited arbitration, as listed under section
 2 (a) above, may be referred to arbitration under the provisions of the local agreement.
- (c) By mutual agreement, a grievance falling into any of the categories as listed under section 2
 (a) above, may be placed into the expedited arbitration process.

3. Expedited Arbitrators

The following arbitrators shall be selected on the basis of the person who is available to hear the grievance within thirty (30)-ten (10)-calendar days of appointment, on a rotating basis. It is understood that the same arbitrator will not be selected to hear consecutive grievances except by mutual agreement by the parties.

- Kate Young
- Colin Taylor
- John Hall
- Mark Brown
- Marguerite Jackson
- Joan Gordon

If none of the listed arbitrators is available to hear the grievance within thirty (30) ten (10) calendar days, the local parties shall agree to another arbitrator within thirty (30) calendar days. who is available within ten (10) days of appointment.

4. Process

As the process is intended to be expedited, lawyers shall not be retained to represent either local party. This does not preclude either local party from using staff who may be lawyers.

5. Agreed Statement of Facts

The local parties shall develop an agreed statement of facts and shall exchange rellance documents prior to the hearing. Disclosure of relevant or potentially relevant documents is a mutual and ongoing obligation before and during the particular hearing.

6. Written Submission

By mutual agreement, written submissions may be used in place of a hearing. Submissions shall be in standard format and will not be more than ten (10) pages long.

7. Procedure

All presentations shall be short and concise and are to include a comprehensive opening statement. The local parties shall make limited use of authorities during their presentations.

8. Mediation

- a) Prior to rendering a decision, the arbitrator may assist the local parties in mediating a resolution to the grievance.
- b) Where mediation fails or is not appropriate in the opinion of the arbitrator, a decision shall be rendered as contemplated herein.



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9. Issuance of Decision

The decision of the arbitrator is to be completed on the agreed form and mailed to the local parties within three (3) working days of the hearing.

10. Status of the Decision

- a) All decisions, including mediated settlements, under this expedited arbitration process are limited in application to the particular dispute and are without prejudice. The decisions shall have no precedential value and shall not be referred to in any subsequent proceeding. The expedited arbitrators shall include statements to this effect at the beginning of their decision.
- b) All settlements of proposed expedited arbitration cases made prior to an expedited hearing are also without prejudice and have no precedential value.
- c) The decision or award, including mediated settlements, is final, binding, and conclusive. It is understood that it is not the intention of either party to appeal a decision of an expedited arbitration proceeding.
- d) Should the local parties disagree as to the meaning of the decision or award, including mediated settlements, either party may request that the arbitrator clarify the decision.

11. Costs

- a) The local parties shall equally share in the costs of the fees and expenses of the expedited arbitrator.
- b) Hearings shall be conducted at the institution or at the offices of the local union where possible to minimize costs.

12. Authority of Arbitrator

The expedited arbitrator shall have the same powers and authority as an arbitration board established under the provisions under the Labour Relations Code.



(e) Effective the date of ratification, the Employer and the Union a new Letter of Understanding as follows:

LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING _____ (NEW)

REVIEW OF COLLECTIVE AGREEMENTS

<u>Re: Review of Collective Agreements</u>

- 1. <u>The Employers and the Union agree to establish a Joint Review Committee (the "Committee")</u>. The <u>terms of reference for the Committee include the following:</u>
 - Examine the potential to develop a standardized agreement by reviewing local collective agreements of parties to this Common Agreement; and
 - <u>Report the committee's findings back to the parties' respective principals.</u>
- 2. <u>The Committee shall be made up of one representative from each participating Employer and one</u> representative from each participating Union. The Committee shall also include up to two (2) representatives from PSEA and up to two (2) representatives from FPSE.
- The findings of the Committee will be submitted to the parties' respective principals for review. For the Employer, the principals include the respective institution Board of Directors and the Post-Secondary Employers' Association Board of Directors.
- 4. <u>Leaves of absence and compensation for attendance at meetings by union representatives on the</u> <u>Committee shall be governed by the provisions of the applicable local collective agreement.</u>
- 5. <u>Both employers and unions will bear the cost of their respective representatives' attendance including travel.</u>
- 6. <u>The Committee will begin its work after ratification of the last participating Employer and Union, and conclude its work no later than January 1, 2018 at which time this Letter of Understanding will expire.</u>

(f) Effective the date of ratification, the Employer and the Union a new Letter of Understanding as follows:

LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING _____ (NEW)

WORKING COMMITTEE ON SECONDARY SCALES

The Employer and the Union agree to participate in a joint committee [the "Committee"] with a mandate to:

- a) <u>Discuss and better understand the types of work performed by faculty employees on Secondary</u> <u>Scales.</u>
- b) <u>Come to a mutual understanding about:</u>
 - o what types of work and which employees may require salary adjustment:
 - o what the transition would entail; and
 - o what the cost would be.
- c) Develop recommendations based on those understandings.

Definition:

"Secondary Scales" is defined as faculty compensation schedules, either limited by caps and bars, or reduction formulas, or schedules outside of the Provincial Salary Scale (including any modification) for work normally done by faculty bargaining unit members, as defined in the local collective agreement. "Secondary Scales" are distinct from "other salary scales," which are compensation schedules for work or employment classifications within the bargaining unit that are not captured by the definition of Secondary Scales, i.e. not faculty.

Costs for leaves and expenses to be borne by each party.

The Parties will report to their respective principals throughout the process. Recommendations from the work of the Committee will go to each party's respective principals (Institution Board and PSEA Board in the case of the Employer, and Presidents' Council in the case of FPSE).

The work of the Committee will conclude by January 1, 2018, and any recommendations from the Committee may be brought forward by either party in the next round of collective bargaining.

This LOU shall not preclude the local partles from negotiating improvements for faculty employees on Secondary Scales in the current round of local bargaining, provided that the proposals at the local tables are distinct from issues related to Secondary Scales, which are to be discussed at the Committee established by this LOU.



11. Joint Committee on Benefits Administration

While not to be included in the Faculty Common Agreement, the Employers and the Unions agree that the Joint Committee on Benefits Administration (JCBA) will discuss process issues that may be slowing down the payment of weekly indemnity benefits under the Faculty Common Disability Plan.

The JCBA will conclude its work on these matters no later than December 31, 2015. This date may be extended by mutual agreement of the parties.

The JCBA will report its findings to the parties' respective principals for consideration.

12. Housekeeping

Effective the date of ratification, the Employer and the Union agree to the following housekeeping amendments:

- (a) Amend the Table of Contents by Capitalizing the entire heading of Article 16 to "COMMON FACULTY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUND."
- (b) Number each of the definitions on the "Definitions" page;
- (c) "Agreement" or "Common Agreement" means this Common Agreement reached between the employers and the unions as defined in the Protocol Agreement dated January 29, 2013 "Parties" or "Common Parties definition."
- (d) "Joint Administration and Dispute Resolution Committee" or "JADRC" means the committee established under pursuant to Article 3.2-below. of this Agreement."
- (e) "Parties" or "Common Parties" means the following employers and unions that have ratified a Collective Agreement that includes this Common Agreement:
 - Camosun College/Camosun College Faculty Association (FPSE Local 12)
 - College of New Caledonia/Faculty Association of the College of New Caledonia (FPSE Local 3)
 - College of the Rockies/College of the Rockies Faculty Association (FPSE Local 6)
 - Douglas College/Douglas College Faculty Association (FPSE Local 4)
 - North Island College/North Island College Faculty Association (FPSE Local 16)
 - Northwest Community College/Academic Workers' Union (FPSE Local 11)
 - Okanagan College/Okanagan College Faculty Association (FPSE Local 9)
 - Selkirk College/Selkirk College Faculty Association (FPSE Local 10)
- (f) "Ratification" means the acceptance by a local union and by both an institution and the PSEA of the terms of a Collective Agreement that includes this Common Agreement pursuant to the Protocol Agreement of January 29, 2013. The local unions and institutions are those listed in (e) above."



- (g) Delete old effective dates throughout the Common Agreement where they no longer carry any effect, by mutual agreement during the drafting of the 2014 Common Agreement.
- (h) Delete 9.2.1(b)(vii) as follows:

"Effective April-1, 2007 vision care coverage-shall be doubled to a maximum benefit of \$500 every two (2) years and a minimum benefit of \$300 every two (2) years."

(i) Re-number existing 9.3.2 to 9.3.2(a), and add a new Article 9.3.2(b) to read as follows:

"The disability benefits plan includes Partial Disability Benefits which shall be administered in accordance with the terms and conditions of this plan, as amended July 1, 2009."

The date of ratification will be the date the parties to a local agreement, including the PSEA Board of Directors, conclude the ratification of the local portion and the Template portion of their 2014-2019 collective agreement.

All proposals not contained in this Memorandum are considered withdrawn without prejudice.

Signed by the Parties at Vancouver, British Columbia, on the February 5, 2015.

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