MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

between

NORTHERN LIGHTS COLLEGE (hereinafter called "the Employer")

and the

BCGEU LOCAL 710 - NLC Faculty (hereinafter called "Union")

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

AND

THE UNDERSIGNED BARGAINING REPRESENTATIVES ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE BCGEU LOCAL 710 – NLC Faculty (hereinafter called "Union"), AGREE TO RECOMMEND TO THE UNION MEMBERSHIP:

THAT THEIR COLLECTIVE AGREEMENT COMMENCING <u>APRIL 01 2012</u> (hereinafter called the "new Collective Agreement"), SHALL CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING:

1. Previous Conditions

All of the terms of the local portion of the 2010-2012 Collective Agreement continue except as specifically varied below by paragraphs 2 to 3, both inclusive.

2. Effective Dates

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

3. 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".

4. 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.

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

Signed this day of	, 2012.
BARGAINING REPRESENTATIVES THE UNION: .	FOR BARGAINING REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE EMPLOYER:
Darryl Walker, President BCGEU	Brent Deinstadt, Vice-President, Corporate Services
John Turner, Instructor Bargaining Unit Chairperson	Suzy Bance Suzy Barcelos, Manager, Human Resources
David Batterham, Instructor Bargaining Committee Member	Anndra Graff, Chief Financial Officer
Kathy Weaver BCGEU Staff Representative	Steve Roe, Dean of Academic and Career Programs
	Post-Secondary Employers' Association

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Article 7.6 Joint Committee

There shall be for the College a Joint Committee composed of members equal in numbers for the Union and for the College. The Joint Committee shall consist of representatives of Local 710-NLC Faculty and representatives of the College. The minimum size of the committee shall be two (2) representatives from Local 710-NLC Faculty and two (2) representatives from the College. This committee may call upon additional representatives for technical information or advice. The committee may establish subcommittees or ad hoc committees as it deems necessary and shall set guidelines, and operating procedures, and priorities for such committees.

AGREED:

Signed on behalf of the Union

Signed on behalf of the Employer

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Article 14.2 Work Schedules

- (a) Work schedules shall be established by mutual agreement between the employer's designate and the employees at the local level in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.
- (b) Changes in work schedules and starting and finishing times shall be established at the local level and shall conform with the provisions of this Agreement. The Copies of the revised schedules, once agreed upon, shall be posted as per Article 16.3 given in writing to each Employee affected by the change and to the Union prior to the changes being finalized. Where new work schedules or starting or finishing times cannot be agreed upon at the local level to meet changes in the hours of operation, the matter shall be referred by either party to the joint Committee for consideration and agreement.
- (c) Where revised work schedules or starting or finishing times cannot be agreed upon at the local level to meet changes in the hours of operation, the matter shall be referred by either party to the joint Committee for consideration and agreement. The Joint Committee shall meet within (4) days to consider the matter. Within three (3) days of the initial meeting the Joint Committee shall either resolve the matter or refer it to Step 3 of the grievance procedure for resolution subject to Definition 14.

AGREED:

Signed on behalf of the Union

Signed on behalf of the Employer

AMENDMENT

Article 14.5 Duty Hours

(c) (2) The employee will show due consideration in recognizing that the instructor's role includes activities and duties in addition to teaching and preparation such as office hours, courses development, meetings, articulation, student interviews. The Employer recognizes that activities and duties outside of teaching and preparation are not considered as part of the annual preparation time.

AGREED:

Signed on behalf of the Union

Signed on behalf of the Employer

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14.9 Night Courses

Instructors shall not have to teach more than six (6) hours of night courses per week as part of their regular workload without the consent of the Bargaining Principals.

AGREED:

Signed on Behalf of the Union

Signed on behalf of the Employer

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18.1 Paid Holidays

The following have been designated as paid holidays:

New Year's Day

Labour Day

Good Friday

Thanksgiving Day

Easter Monday

Remembrance Day

Queens Birthday

Christmas Day

Boxing Day

Canada Day

British Columbia Day

Family Day

AGREED:

Signed on/behalf of the Union

Signed on behalf of the Employer

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28.7 Reclassification of Position

- (a) An employee shall not have his/her salary reduced by reason of a change in the classification of his/her position that is caused other than by the employee.
- (b) Any employee whose salary has been protected by a provision of any Component Agreement at any time before July 31, 1977, or whose salary has been protected by any agreement between the Employer and the Union since July 31, 1977, or whose position classification is changed to one with a lower maximum salary through no fault of his/her own, shall receive fifty percent (50%) of the negotiated salary increase applicable to the employee's new classification. Such employee shall receive the full negotiated salary increase when the maximum salary of his/her classification equals or exceeds the salary which he/she is receiving.

Agreed:

Signed by the Union

Signed by the Employer

Dated: 10/14,2017

NEW

Article 28.19 Initial Placement on Scale

d) In circumstances of difficult to fill positions, the employer may decide to place the employee higher than the aforementioned maximum initial placement. Difficult to fill positions are considered by the employer, those positions that are a challenge to recruit due to extenuating circumstances outside of the College's control.

In each circumstance, the College will notify the Union, in writing, outlining the details of and the reasons for the higher initial placement, before the higher initial placement is confirmed. If the Union does not agree with the higher initial placement, the matter will be referred to the Joint Committee for resolution.

In no circumstance will the College offer a total annual salary that exceeds the highest annual salary listed at Step 1 of the Provincial Salary Scale.

AGREED:

Signed on behalf of the Union

Signed on behalf of the Employer

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31.5 Layoff and Recall

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- (a) Layoff of non-regular employees shall be based on service seniority within a department, campus, discipline or specialty, provided that senior staff to be retained has appropriate qualifications.
- (b) Non-regular employees on layoff shall be recalled in order of service seniority within the college campus provided the non-regular employee is qualified to carry out the work which is available.
- (c) Notwithstanding Article 30.531.5(a) non-regular employees hired for seasonal work or a term certain shall be laid off upon completion of the season or term and shall be subject to recall procedures in accordance with Article 30.531.5(b).

AGREED:

Signed on behalf of the Union

Signed on behalf of the Employer

33 TERM OF AGREEMENT

To be negotiated at the BCGEU Common Table.

AGREED:

Signed on behalf of the Union

Signed on behalf of the Employer

Nov 14,201

The parties	agree	to	renew	the	foll	owing:

Memorandum of Agreement # 1

Memorandum of Agreement # 2

Memorandum of Agreement # 3

Memorandum of Agreement # 4

Memorandum of Agreement # 5

Memorandum of Agreement # 6

Memorandum of Agreement # 7

Memorandum of Agreement # 8

Memorandum of Agreement # 9

Memorandum of Agreement # 10

Memorandum of Agreement # 11

Memorandum of Agreement # 12

AGREED:

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APPENDIX 1

Excluded Classes

President (1)

Vice President (2)

Associate Vice President (2)

Campus Administrator (5) (4)

Dean (5)

Associate Dean (2)

Chief Financial Officer Services Manager (1)

Director of Information Technology Services Systems Manager (1)

Confidential Secretary (2)

Executive Assistant (2) (1)

Payroll/Benefits Administrator (1)

Contract Services Coordinator (1)

Human Resources Manager (1)

Human Resources Administrator Advisor (2)

Administrative Assistant (3) (2)

Registrar (1)

Associate Registrar (1)

Regional Director of Facilities Manager (1)

Director Human Resources (1)

Executive Director – NLC Foundation (1)

Executive Director – Communications (1)

Conflict Resolution Advisor (1)

Health, Manager of Safety and Facility Services Environment-Advisor (1)

Communication-Manager/ Director of Marketing Manager (1)

AGREED:

Signed on behalf of the Union

Signed on behalf of the Employer

14.9 Night Courses - NEW

The parties agree to delete the signed green sheet (as below) that deleted Article 14.9 Night Courses signed on Nov. 14, 2012. The current language of the 2010-2012 Collective Agreement will remain in force.

14.9 Night Courses - DELETE

Instructors shall not have to teach more than six (6) hours of night courses per week as part of their regular workload without the consent of the Bargaining Principals.

Agreed to:

Signed by the Union

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Signed by the Employer

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2012 - BCGEU FACULTY COMMON TABLE

between

POST-SECONDARY EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION ("PSEA") representing those employer-members participating in the 2012 BCGEU Faculty Common Table

("the Employers")

and

BRITISH COLUMBIA GOVERNMENT AND SERVICE EMPLOYEES' UNION ("BCGEU") representing those of its local unions participating (and whose employers are participating) in the 2012 BCGEU Faculty Common Table

(BCGEU locals referred to as "the Union")

The parties listed in Schedule "1" have agreed that the following items will form part of the Memorandum of Settlement between them for the 2012 BCGEU Faculty Common Agreement. The parties listed in Schedule "1" agree to recommend this Memorandum of Settlement to their respective principals.

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

All of the terms of the 2010-2012 Faculty Common Agreement continue except as specifically varied below.

1. **Definitions**

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

- (a) "Ratification" means the acceptance by a local union the BCGEU and by an institution and the PSEA of the terms of a Collective Agreement that includes this Common Agreement pursuant to the Protocol Agreement of April 23, 2010 December 4, 2012.
- "Union" means a faculty association or trade union certification as a bargaining agent (b) the B.C. Government & Service Employees Union (BCGEU).



2. Article 2 - Harassment

(a) Effective the date of ratification, the Employers and the Union agree to amend Article 2.1 as follows:

"2.1 Statement of Commitment

The colleges and institutes promote teaching, scholarship and research and the free and critical discussion of ideas.

Unions and employers are committed to providing a working and learning environment that allows for full and free participation of all members of the institutional community. Harassment undermines these objectives and violates the fundamental rights, personal dignity and integrity of individuals or groups of individuals. Harassment is a serious offence that may be cause for disciplinary sanctions including, where appropriate, dismissal or expulsion.

The colleges and institutes have a responsibility under the *BC's Human Rights Code* to prevent harassment and to provide procedures to handle complaints, to resolve problems and to remedy situations where harassment occurs.

The employer will offer educational and training programs designed to prevent harassment and to support the administration of the institutional policies and to ensure that all members of the institutional community are aware of their responsibility with respect to the policy. The Unions and Employers agree that attendance at these educational and training programs is mandatory."

(b) New - Letter of Understanding - Training of Harassment Investigators

Effective the date of ratification of the local parties' Memorandum of Settlement, the Employers and the Union agree to the Letter of Understanding – Training of Harassment Investigators which is attached to this Memorandum of Settlement as Schedule "2".

3. <u>Article 3 – Employer/Union Relations</u>

(a) Effective the date of ratification, the Employers and the Union agree to amend Article 3.2.3(d)(i) and (ii) 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:
 - (i) 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 Employers and the Union agree to delete Articles 3.2.6 and 3.3 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.

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.

(c) New - Letter of Understanding - Expedited Arbitration

Effective the date of ratification of the local parties' Memorandum of Settlement, the Employers and the Union agree to the Letter of Understanding – Expedited Arbitration which is attached to this Memorandum of Settlement as Schedule "3".

4. Article 12 - Salaries

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.

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- (a) Effective December 31, 2012, all annual rates of pay in Appendix A of the collective agreement which were in effect on December 30, 2012 shall be increased by one percent (1.0%). The new rates shall be rounded to the nearest whole dollar.
- (b) Effective April 01, 2013, all annual rates of pay in Appendix A of the collective agreement which were in effect on March 31, 2013 shall be increased by one percent (1.0%). The new rates shall be rounded to the nearest whole dollar.
- (c) Effective September 01, 2013, all annual rates of pay in Appendix A of the collective agreement which were in effect on August 30, 2013 shall be increased by one percent (1.0%). The new rates shall be rounded to the nearest whole dollar.
 - (d) Effective January 01, 2014, all annual rates of pay in Appendix A of the collective agreement which were in effect on December 31, 2013 shall be increased by one percent (1.0%). The new rates shall be rounded to the nearest whole dollar."

The general wage increases listed above are reflected in the revised Provincial Salary Scale which is referenced in Item #8 – Appendix A, of this Memorandum of Settlement.

(b) "12.2 Secondary Scale Adjustment

- 12.2.1 Effective December 31, 2012, all steps on secondary scales will be increased by one percent (1.0%). The new rates shall be rounded to the nearest whole cent or dollar as applicable.
- 12.2.2 Effective April 01, 2013, all steps on secondary scales will be increased by one percent (1.0%). The new rates shall be rounded to the nearest whole cent or dollar as applicable.
- 12.2.3 Effective September 01, 2013, all steps on secondary scales will be increased by one percent (1.0%). The new rates shall be rounded to the nearest whole cent or dollar as applicable.
- 12.2.4 Effective January 01, 2014, all steps on secondary scales will be increased by one percent (1.0%). The new rates shall be rounded to the nearest whole cent or dollar as applicable.
- 12.2.5 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:

- 12.6.1 Effective December 31, 2012, by one percent (1.0%). The new rates shall be rounded to the nearest whole cent or dollar as applicable.
- 12.6.2 Effective April 01, 2013, by one percent (1.0%). The new rates shall be rounded to the nearest whole cent or dollar as applicable.
- 12.6.3 Effective September 01, 2013, by one percent (1.0%). The new rates shall be rounded to the nearest whole cent or dollar as applicable.
- 12.6.4 Effective January 01, 2014, by one percent (1.0%). The new rates shall be rounded to the nearest whole cent or dollar as applicable.

5. Article 13 – Effect of This Agreement

Effective the date of ratification, the Employers and the Union agree to add the following to Article 13.3:

"Letter of Understanding - Expedited Arbitration"

6. <u>Article 16 – Common Faculty Professional Development Fund</u>

Effective the date of ratification, the Employers and the Union agree to amend Article 16.3.2 as follows:

"16.3.2 Any monies in the Fund not spent at the end of one any fiscal year shall be retained by the employer. carried forward to the following fiscal year"

7. Article 17 - Term

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

"This Agreement shall be in effect from April 1, 2010 **2012** to March 31, 2012**-2014**, and shall continue in force until the renewal of this Agreement."



Appendix "A" 8.

APPENDIX A PROVINCIAL SALARY SCALE

	31-Dec-12	01-April-13	01-Sept-13	01-Jan-14
STEP	to	to	to	to
	31-March-13	30-Aug-13	31-Dec-13	31-Mar-14
1	\$84,064	\$84,905	\$85,755	\$86,613
2	\$78,750	\$79,538	\$80,334	\$81,138
3	\$73,355	\$74,089	\$74,830	\$75,579
4	\$70,352	\$71,056	\$71,767	\$72,485
5	\$67,776	\$68,454	\$69,139	\$69,831
6	\$65,199	\$65,851	\$66,510	\$67,176
7	\$62,623	\$63,250	\$63,883	\$64,522
8	\$60,045	\$60,646	\$61,253	\$61,866
9	\$57,468	\$58,043	\$58,624	\$59,211
10	\$54,892	\$55,441	\$55,996	\$56,556
11	\$52,315	\$52,839	\$53,368	\$53,902

9. Letter of Understanding 4 – Respectful Working Environment

Effective the date of ratification of the local parties' Memorandum of Settlement, the Employers and the Union agree to amend the Letter of Understanding 4 – Respectful Working Environment as follows:

"LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING 4

RESPECTFUL WORKING ENVIRONMENT

1. Preamble

The parties recognize that mutual understanding and respect are fundamental to achieving a collaborative and positive working relationship, which is the cornerstone of an effective environment in which key stakeholders – employees and students, work, teach and learn.

<u>The parties further recognize</u> that certain types of conduct, such as inappropriate behaviour, <u>inter</u>personal conflict and bullying in the workplace <u>may be inappropriate</u> <u>create barriers to these objectives</u> and <u>result in both financial and relational costs</u>.

Examples of financial costs include, but are not limited to increased sick leave usage, increased short term and long term disability leaves, workers' compensation claims, decreased levels of performance, and the costs associated with investigations, grievances, mediations, arbitrations, and human rights complaints as well as recruitment and retention costs.

Examples of relational costs include, but are not limited to, the loss of personal dignity as well as the loss of both trust and respect for individuals and the institution.

2. Mandate

Further to Article 2 - Harassment, the parties agree that, in addition to the educational and training programs currently offered by the employer, they local parties, where mutually agreeable, may develop joint initiatives to inform and train employees and will:

- (a) jointly develop and offer mandatory educational and training programs at each institution, designed to:
 - (i) the identification and reduction of enhance understanding of inappropriate interpersonal conflict and bullying, and the effects thereof in the workplace;
 - the effects of mental health issues in the workplace, and
 - (ii) ensure that all members of the institutional community are aware of their resources and responsibilities with respect to interpersonal conflict and bullying; and

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- (iii) <u>actively promote the</u> development and maintenance of a respectful workplace environment.
- (b) review local and common collective agreement language with the goal of standardizing the harassment language and harmonizing procedures across the post-secondary sector.

3. Committee Timelines

The Committee established under the Letter of Understanding re: Training of Harassment Investigators will be used for this purpose. The dates for the Committee to begin meeting and to complete their duties under that Letter of Understanding will also apply, but may be extended by mutual agreement.

3. Local Joint Process

The Parties agree that the local parties may establish a local joint process, including a joint committee, to inform and train employees and to enhance understanding on the matters specified in Section 2 above.

4. Expiry of this Letter

This Letter of Understanding is in effect for the term of the Common Agreement commencing April 1, 2010, unless otherwise agreed by the Parties. "

11. New - Letter of Understanding - Review of Bargaining Structure and Process

Effective the date of ratification of the local parties' Memorandum of Settlement, the Employers and the Union agree to the Letter of Understanding – Review of Bargaining Structure and Process which is attached to this Memorandum of Settlement as Schedule "4".

12. Housekeeping

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

- (a) the Parties agree to delete old effective dates throughout the Common Agreement where they no longer carry any effect, by mutual agreement during the drafting of the Common Agreement;
- (b) amend the "List of the Common Parties" on page I, prior to the Table of Contents as follows:
 - i. Delete the following institutions from the "Employers' Bargaining Committee":
 - 1) College of New Caledonia

- 2) College of the Rockies
- 3) Nicola Valley Institute of Technology
- 4) North Island College:
- Delete the reference to the Federation of Post-Secondary Educators ii. (FPSE) and the FPSE locals:
- Add the respective institutions behind the names of each BCGEU local iii. number under the "BC Government and Services Employees' Union".
- (c) Amend Article 13.3 as follows:

"13.3

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 3.2.6 Suspension and Discharge Grievance Resolution
- Article 3.3 Jurisdiction Dispute Resolution Process
- Article 4 Prior Learning Assessment
- Article 6.1.7 Referral to JADRO
- 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"
- (d) renew LOU 1: JADRC:
- (e) renew LOU 2 Employee Security and Regularization;
- (f) renew LOU 6: 2001 Local Negotiations;
- (g) renew LOU 7: Salary Stipend;
- (h) delete LOU 3: Partial Sick Leave and Partial Disability Benefits;
- (i) delete LOU 5: Variant Applications of Common Agreement Provisions to the NVIT Parties:
- (j) any other housekeeping items mutually agreed to during the drafting of the agreement.

The date of ratification will be the date the parties to a local agreement conclude the ratification of the local portion and the Common Agreement portion of their 2010-12 collective agreement. The ratification process includes ratification by the PSEA Board of Directors.

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

Signed by the parties at Vancouver, British Columbia, on the December 17, 2012. For the Union: For the Employers: Darryl Ainsley, Camosun College John Turner, Local 710 Brent Deinstadt, Northern Lights College Suzanne LeBlanc, Northwest Community College Anne Marie Merkel, Local 712 Bill Winegarden, Local 709 Gary Leier, Selkirk College Cameron McRobb, BCGEU Faculty Anita Bleick, PSEA Bargaining Committee Chairperson Chris Rawson, PSEA

- Camosun College / BCGEU Local 701, Camosun College
- Northern Lights College / BCGEU Local 710, Northern Lights College
- Northwest Community College / BCGEU Local 712, Northwest Community College
- Okanagan College / BCGEU Local 707, Okanagan College
- Selkirk College / BCGEU Local 709, Selkirk College

Letter of Understanding

Between

POST-SECONDARY EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION ("PSEA")
representing those employer-members participating in the 2012 BCGEU Faculty Common Table

("the Employers")

and

BRITISH COLUMBIA GOVERNMENT AND SERVICE EMPLOYEES' UNION ("BCGEU") representing those of its local unions participating (and whose employers are participating) in the 2012 BCGEU Faculty Common Table

(BCGEU locals referred to as "the Union")

Re: Training of Harassment Investigators

The parties will form a committee consisting of not more than three (3) members of the BCGEU, 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.

Individuals completing the approved training program will be added to the list of investigators and will be the first called for investigations in accordance with their areas of expertise, knowledge, and experiences.

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

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

Signed:,	2012
For the Employers:	For the Union:
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Letter of Understanding

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POST-SECONDARY EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION ("PSEA") representing those employer-members participating in the 2012 BCGEU Faculty Common Table

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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 the presentation of extrinsic evidence;
 - v. Grievances where a local party intends to raise a preliminary objection;
 - vi. Grievances arising from the duty to accommodate; and

- vii. 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 ten (10) calendar days of appointment, on a rotating basis.

- Chris Sullivan
- Colin Taylor
- John Hall
- Mark Brown
- · Marguerite Jackson

If none of the listed arbitrators are available within ten (10) days, the local parties shall agree to another arbitrator 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 reliance 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.

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, and is not open to question or review in a court on any grounds whatsoever.
- 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*.

Signed:	, 2012
For the Employers:	For the Union:
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Letter of Understanding

Between

POST-SECONDARY EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION ("PSEA") representing those employer-members participating in the 2012 BCGEU Faculty Common Table

("the Employers")

and

BRITISH COLUMBIA GOVERNMENT AND SERVICE EMPLOYEES' UNION ("BCGEU") representing those of its local unions participating (and whose employers are participating) in the 2012 BCGEU Faculty Common Table

(BCGEU locals referred to as "the Union")

Re: Review of Bargaining Structure and Process

- 1. The Employers and the Union agree to establish a Joint Review Committee (the Committee). The terms of reference for the Committee include the following:
 - Review the current and past bargaining structure and bargaining processes related to common table bargaining;
 - Identify and review successes and challenges of the past structure and bargaining process related to common table bargaining;
 - Examine the future of the common table bargaining, including the potential for expansion of the common table and barriers related thereto;
 - Examine the potential to develop a standardized sectoral agreement(s); and
 - Report the committee's findings back to the parties' respective principals.
- 2. The committee shall be made up of four (4) representatives chosen by the Employers and up to four (4) representatives chosen by the local unions. The committee shall also include up to two (2) representatives from PSEA and up to two (2) representatives from BCGEU. The committee will also extend an invitation to representatives from the Federation of Post-Secondary Educators (FPSE) to participate as members of the committee. Participation by representatives of FPSE will not alter the terms of reference of the committee.
- 3. The findings of the committee will be submitted to the parties' respective principals for review. For the Employer, the principals include the respective College Board of Directors and the Post-Secondary Employers' Association Board of Directors.
- 4. Leaves of absence and compensation for attendance at meetings by union representatives on the committee shall be governed by the provisions of the applicable local collective agreement.

5. The committee will conclude its work no later than June 30, 2013 at which time this Letter of Understanding will expire.

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