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# MINUTES OF THE BC TEACHERS' COUNCIL



June 3-4 & 8-9, 2021

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**JUNE 3, 2021**

**ATTENDANCE**

**BCTC:** Shelley Balfour, Jatinder Bir, Lisa Kishkan, Marjorie Dumont, Alice Kedves, Danielle Neer, Jim Iker, Adrienne Demers, Carolyn Broady, Terence Berting, Jay Dixon, Jo-Anne Chrona, Shannon Wagner, Joseph Colistro, Beverley Young, Serena Chandi

**Absent:** None

**Guests:** Howard Kushner, Commissioner for Teacher Regulation

**Outgoing BCTC**

**Members:** John Hall, Thomas Longridge, Janine Fraser, Matthew Cooke, Ralf St. Clair

**Staff:** Shawn McMullin, Frank Dunham, Dijana Gres, Vicki Wayne, Eric Tso, Sameena Sheriff, Sally Mercer

**Public:**

Christine Stewart	BC Teachers' Federation (BCTF)
Cindy Dalglish	EA Standards of Practice Working Group
Marianne McTavish	University of British Columbia (UBC)
Jason Corday	BC School Superintendents Association (BCSSA)
Mike Skinner	Assistant Superintendent Nechako Lakes School District
Tricia Stobbe	Christian Educators of British Columbia

The Chair, Jim Iker, called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM.

**1. OPENING OF THE MEETING**

- **Acknowledgement with gratitude of the Territories of the Indigenous Peoples within our province.**

The Chair acknowledged with gratitude the Territories of the Indigenous Peoples within our province.

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The Chair commented on the tragic discovery of the remains of 215 children at the site of the former Kamloops Indian Residential School. A moment of silence was observed to honour the 215 children and all the other missing children in Canada.

The Chair informed BCTC that he has sent a message to all BC certificate holders acknowledging the atrocity and sending his thoughts to Indigenous communities across the province.

- **Observance of National Aboriginal History Month**

The Chair welcomed all attendees and acknowledged that June is National Aboriginal History Month. June 2021 marks the 12th anniversary of National Indigenous History Month, which is a time when Canadians honour the history, heritage and diversity of First Nation, Inuit and Métis peoples in Canada, recognize the strength of Indigenous communities, and the importance of the ongoing work of reconciliation.

- **Proclamation: Anti-Racism Awareness Week in BC**

The Chair acknowledged the Province proclamation of Anti-Racism Awareness Week in BC (May 23-29, 2021).

- **Observance of National AccessAbility Week**

The Chair acknowledged the observance of National Accessibility Week (May 30–June 5, 2021).

- **Observance of LGBTQ2+ Pride Month**

The Chair acknowledged the observance of LGBTQ2+ Pride Month (June 2021).

- **Approval of Agenda**

**FRASER/HALL**

Motion: That agenda for June 3, 2021 be approved.

CARRIED

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- **Opening Question**

Chair informed the BCTC that Shawn McMullin has prepared an opening question for the attendees:

*The only way to really get to equity and reconciliation is to continue to revisit our own biases and assumptions – it is the water we each swim in and unless we pause and pay attention, we are at risk of perpetuating the harm imposed on those who have been marginalized.*

*We ask that you reflect on your upbringing. Our childhood is not something you had control of – it is something that happened. Our invitation is to reflect on how that experience shaped – and continues to shape you.*

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## 2. BUSINESS AND REPORTING OUT

- **Welcome and congratulations to new and continuing BCTC members**

The Chair informed the BCTC that the 2021 BCTC Elections have been successfully completed on March 19, 2021. This was the first time the BCTC elections were held electronically via the Simply Voting platform.

The Chair introduced newly elected BCTC members Lisa Kishkan and Shelley Balfour, and welcomed back re-elected BCTC members Jatinder Bir, Alice Kedves and Marjorie Dumont. The Chair also introduced newly appointed BCTC members Danielle Neer (BCTF), Beverly Young (BCSSA), Shannon Wagner (ABCDE), and Serena Chandi (Minister representative), and welcomed back reappointed BCTC member Carolyn Broady (BCSTA).

The Chair also announced the new appointments to the Disciplinary and Professional Conduct Board. Alice Kedves and Carolyn Broady were reappointed for a term ending 2024; Jatinder Bir, Lisa Kishkan, and Shannon Wagner appointed for term ending 2024; and Joseph Colistro (FISA BC) was appointed for a term ending 2023.

Chair offers his congratulations and welcome to all incoming members.

- **Correspondence**

The Chair informed the BCTC that there was a lot of correspondence received since the February meeting. Correspondence to be discussed under specific agenda items over the 4 day meeting.

- **Chair's Report**

- **BCTC Annual Report 2019/20 and 2020/21**

The Chair informed the BCTC that the BCTC Annual Report 2019/20 was completed and released to the public on April 19, 2021.

The BCTC and Ministry staff are already working on the 2020/21 Annual Report with a goal of releasing it before the end of 2021.

- **BCTC Meeting Rules**

The Chair informed the BCTC that the revised BCTC Meeting Rules, sent to the Minister for consideration in March, have now been approved and are posted on the BCTC website.

- **Certification Standards S.14 – Ulkatcho Language Authority**

The Chair informed that the Ulkatcho Language Authority, approved by BCTC as a First Nations Language Authority in February, was allowed by the Minister and has been added to the list of approved First Nations Language Authorities within the Certification Standards, Section 14.

- **Administrative Law Training**

Chair noted that the BCTC Administrative Law Training occurred on May 26, 2021 and thanked all members for attending.

- **BCTC Meeting Mode and Fall 2021 and Winter 2022 Dates**

The Chair advised the BCTC that, depending on the vaccination rollout and directions from

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the PHO, the BCTC is hoping to be able to meet in-person in the fall 2021.

The Chair informed members that they will need to provide their preference regarding the fall 2021 and winter 2022 BCTC meeting dates. The meeting dates will be voted on via a Zoom poll during the June 9 meeting. Several date options were proposed for consideration.

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### **3. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

No comments were made from the public.

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### **4. ELECTION OF BCTC CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR**

- **Administered by Commissioner for Teacher Regulation**

The Chair informed the BCTC that the election of the Chair and Vice-Chair must take place as per meeting rules. The election was facilitated by the Commissioner for Teacher Regulation following the procedures established by BCTC.

Jim Iker was acclaimed as Chair.

Jatinder Bir was nominated for Vice-Chair. Alice Kedves was also nominated for Vice-Chair but declined nomination. Jatinder Bir was acclaimed as Vice-Chair.

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### **5. COMMITTEE AND EXTERNAL PARTNER GROUP ELECTIONS**

The Chair informed the BCTC that the BCTC committee and external partner group elections must take place as per BCTC meeting rules and terms of reference for each committee. Ministry staff facilitated and oversaw the election process which was completed via Zoom poll.

- **PCSSC – 4 members**

Carolyn Broady, Jatinder Bir, Jim Iker and Marjorie Dumont were acclaimed.

- **TEPARC – 4 members**

Lisa Kishkan, Danielle Neer, Jim Iker and Alice Kedves were acclaimed. Shannon Wagner was appointed to the standing ABCDE seat.

- **TEPASC – 1 member**

Shelley Balfour and Joseph Colistro were both nominated. Shelly Balfour was elected.

- **NTSWG – 1 member**

Shelly Balfour was acclaimed.

- **K-12 Aboriginal Education Partners Table – 1 member**

Marjorie Dumont was acclaimed.

**6. SETTING BCTC WORKPLAN 2021-2022**

- **Reflect on 2020-2021 goals and set goals for 2021-2022**

BCTC reviewed the Workplan for 2020/21 and started their discussion on the Workplan 2021/22. Completion of this item was differed to a later day in the BCTC meeting.

<b>2020-2021 goals:</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>Goal 1:</b> Communication, amplification and promotion of Professional Standards with particular attention to Standard 9 and concerns of racism in society.	Ongoing
<b>Goal 2:</b> Review and revision of the Certification Standards.	Ongoing
<b>Goal 3:</b> Review and revision of the Teacher Education Program Approval Standards.	Ongoing
<b>Goal 4:</b> Development of a New Teacher Survey with a focus on teacher professional identity.	Ongoing
<b>Goal 5:</b> Explore Blended Learning programs to deepen understanding of modes and purposes.	Ongoing

**7. MINISTRY UPDATE ON TEACHER CERTIFICATION ENHANCEMENT PROJECT**

The Chair deferred this item to a later day in the BCTC meeting.

**8. REVIEW OF THE MINUTES**

The Chair deferred this item to June 4, 2021.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

**BIR/DIXON**

Motion: That the meeting of June 3, 2021 be adjourned.

CARRIED

COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 12:02 PM

**JUNE 4, 2021**

**ATTENDANCE**

**BCTC:** Shelley Balfour, Jatinder Bir, Lisa Kishkan, Marjorie Dumont, Alice Kedves, Danielle Neer, Jim Iker, Adrienne Demers, Carolyn Broady, Terence Berting, Jay Dixon, Jo-Anne Chrona, Shannon Wagner, Joseph Colistro, Beverley Young, Serena Chandi

**Absent:** None

**Guests:** Howard Kushner, Commissioner for Teacher Regulation  
Leyton Schnellert, University of British Columbia (UBC)  
Marianne McTavish, University of British Columbia (UBC)  
Aliko Marinakis, University of Victoria (UVic)  
Jean-Paul Restoule, University of Victoria (UVic)  
Paul Neufeld, Simon Fraser University (SFU)  
Janice St. Helene, Simon Fraser University (SFU)

**Outgoing BCTC Members:** John Hall, Thomas Longridge, Janine Fraser, Matthew Cooke

**Staff:** Shawn McMullin, Frank Dunham, Dijana Gres, Vicki Wayne, Eric Tso, Sameena Sheriff, Sally Mercer

<b>Public:</b>	Christine Stewart	BC Teachers' Federation (BCTF)
	Allyson Fleming	Vancouver Island University (VIU)
	Mike Skinner	Assistant Superintendent Nechako Lakes School District
	Tricia Stobbe	Christian Educators of British Columbia
	David Paterson	Vancouver Island University (VIU)
	Cindy Dalglish	EA Standards of Practice Working Group

The Chair, Jim Iker, called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM.

**1. OPENING OF THE MEETING**

- **Acknowledgement with gratitude of the Territories of the Indigenous Peoples within our province, Traditional Keepers of this Land.**

BCTC member, Joe Colistro, acknowledged with gratitude the Territories of the Indigenous Peoples within our province.

- **Approval of Agenda**

**BROADY/CHRONA**

Motion: That the agenda of June 4, 2021 be adopted.

CARRIED



- **BCTC Events Calendar 2021-2022**

The BCTC reviewed the BCTC Event Calendar for 2021-2022. The Chair noted that EDUC staff updates the calendar quarterly and post on the BCTC SharePoint.

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The Chair informed the public that the BCTC will move into private at approximately 10:30 AM for decisions pertaining to item 5 on the agenda - Teacher Education Program Approval & Review Committee (TEPARC), Changes to Existing Programs.

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- **Opening Question**

Chair informed the BCTC that, Shawn McMullin, has prepared an opening question for the attendees.

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## **2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Cindy Dalglish spoke to BCTC about the possibility of creating robust standards of practice for Educational Assistants (EA's). The standards of practice for EA's would be applicable to hiring requirements and post-secondary education requirements. It would also be important to ensure that EAs are maintaining the standards.

Aliki Marinakis made a comment to BCTC regarding the connection between residential schools and the forceful dislocation of Indigenous peoples from their land. Aliki noted that white logging communities replaced many of the Indigenous communities on the west coast of Vancouver Island. She also commented on the removing of Indigenous practicum students from their communities.

Jean Paul Restoule spoke to BCTC about the Bachelor of Education in Indigenous Language Revitalization (BEDILR) program change.

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**3. SETTING BCTC WORKPLAN 2021-2022 – CONT'D**

The Chair deferred this matter to later day in the BCTC Meeting.

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**4. MINISTRY UPDATE ON TEACHER CERTIFICATION ENHANCEMENT PROJECT**

The Chair deferred this matter to later day in the BCTC Meeting.

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**5. TEP APPROVAL AND REVIEW COMMITTEE (TEPARC)**

TEPARC members Janine Fraser and John Hall provided an overview of the TEPARC work since the February 2021 meeting.

- **Report Out and Recommendations**
  - Changes to Existing Programs
    - UVic BEDILR Practicum MOU
    - UBC Blended TEP

**BIR/KEDVES**

Motion: To move into private.

CARRIED

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**BIR**

Motion: That the Letter of Understanding specific to practicum placements for teacher candidates within the UVIC B.Ed Indigenous Language Revitalization (BEDILR) program be approved.

CARRIED

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**DEMERS**

Motion: That the proposed minor change UBC Rural and Remote Professional Certification Program be approved.

CARRIED

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**BALFOUR**

Motion: To move out of private.

CARRIED

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**6. TEP APPROVAL AND REVIEW COMMITTEE (TEPARC) – CONT'D**

- **Structured Dialogue Report Out - Simon Fraser University (SFU)**

BCTC members Joe Colistro and Adrienne Demers provided a report out to the BCTC on the Structured Dialogue that was conducted virtually with SFU on April 13, 2021. Paul Neufeld and Janice St. Helene from SFU made further comments and answered questions.

- **Maintenance Review Updates – VIU and TWU**

The Chair deferred this matter to later day in the BCTC Meeting.

**7. DIALOGUE WITH THE COMMISSIONER FOR TEACHER REGULATION**

The Chair welcomed the Commissioner for Teacher Regulation, Howard Kushner.

The Commissioner informed the BCTC about the following:

- The number of files received by Intake during the 2020/21 year versus the 2019/20 year
- The discipline outcomes from the 2020/21 year versus 2019/20
- The types of files received related to COVID-19

The Commissioner and BCTC engaged in dialogue regarding the stress on teachers from COVID-19, communication issues from language barriers, different interpretations of inappropriate language use, the impact of Standard 9 on the Commissioner’s work, administrative responsibility during COVID-19 and related conduct issues, and matters dealt with at the District level vs. at the Regulator level.

**BROADY/NEER**

Motion: To extend BCTC meeting to 12:15 PM.

CARRIED

**8. REVIEW OF THE MINUTES**

**KISHKAN/BALFOUR**

Motion: That the minutes from June 3, 2021 be adopted.

CARRIED

**CHRONA/BALFOUR**

Motion: That the minutes from June 4, 2021 be adopted.

CARRIED

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

**WAGNER/COLISTRO**

Motion: That the meeting of June 4, 2021 be adjourned.

CARRIED

COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 12:21 PM

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**JUNE 8, 2021**

**ATTENDANCE**

**BCTC:** Shelley Balfour, Jatinder Bir, Lisa Kishkan, Marjorie Dumont, Alice Kedves, Danielle Neer, Jim Iker, Adrienne Demers, Carolyn Broady, Terence Berting, Jay Dixon, Jo-Anne Chrona, Shannon Wagner, Joseph Colistro, Beverley Young, Serena Chandi

**Absent:** None

**Guests:** Lynne Tomlinson, University of British Columbia (UBC)  
Meredith Fenton, University of British Columbia (UBC)  
Simone Hausknecht, University of British Columbia (UBC)  
Vanessa Smith, University of British Columbia (UBC)  
Ed Kroc, University of British Columbia (UBC)  
Nicole Gardner, Director of Outreach, Analytics and Reporting, Educ. Analytics Office

**Outgoing**

**BCTC Members:** John Hall, Thomas Longridge, Janine Fraser, Matthew Cooke, Ralf St. Clair

**Staff:** Shawn McMullin, Frank Dunham, Dijana Gres, Vicki Wayne, Eric Tso, Sameena Sheriff, Andrew Crawford

<b>Public:</b>	Christine Steward	BC Teachers Federation (BCTF)
	Marianne McTavish	University of British Columbia (UBC)
	Mike Skinner	Assistant Superintendent Nechako Lakes School Distr
	Tricia Stobbe	Christian Educators of British Columbia
	Gregory Gerber	New York Institute of Technology, Vancouver
	Cindy Dalglish	EA Standards of Practice Working Group
	David Paterson	Vancouver Island University (VIU)
	Allyson Fleming	Vancouver Island University (VIU)

The Chair, Jim Iker, called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM.

**1. OPENING OF THE MEETING**

- **Acknowledgement with gratitude of the Territories of the Indigenous Peoples within our province.**

Outgoing BCTC member, Matthew Cooke, acknowledged with gratitude the Territories of the Indigenous Peoples within our province.

The Chair acknowledged the achievements of several Indigenous students from the Nechako Lakes School District.

A moment of silence was observed to honour the four members of the Muslim family who were

tragically murdered in London, Ontario.

- **Approval of Agenda**

**NEER/KEDVES**

Motion: That the agenda of June 8, 2021 be adopted.

CARRIED

- **Opening Question**

Chair informed the BCTC that, Shawn McMullin, has prepared an opening question for the attendees.

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**2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Christine Stewart commented on the need to find common messaging on Standard 9 and awareness about the workshops available.

Cindy Dalglish commented on the relationships and collaboration between groups like unions to work towards collective goals.

**3. SETTING BCTC WORKPLAN 2021-2022 – CONT'D**

The BCTC continued their discussions regarding their proposed Workplan for 2021/22.

2021-2022 goals:	Status
<b>Goal 1:</b> To communicate, amplify and promote the Professional Standards with particular attention to Standard 9, Reconciliation, and concerns of racism in society.	Ongoing

<b>Goal 2:</b> To continue the review and revisions of the Certification Standards.	Ongoing
<b>Goal 3:</b> To complete the review and revisions of the TEP Approval Standards and start the implementation process.	Ongoing
<b>Goal 4:</b> To launch the New Teacher Survey 2021 and complete analysis of the data collected.	Ongoing
<b>Goal 5:</b> To continue exploring Blended Learning TEP options that will better support rural and remote communities and make BC teacher training programs more accessible.	Ongoing
<b>Goal 6:</b> To actively engage in the following areas of professional learning so that Council members are better supported in understanding the role and mandate of BCTC: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the TRC Calls to Action and UNDRIP.</li> <li>• anti-oppression, colonialism, and anti-racism.</li> </ul>	New

**CHRONA/DEMERS**

Motion: That the BCTC Workplan 2021-2022 be approved.

CARRIED

**4. PROFESSIONAL AND CERTIFICATION STANDARDS STEERING COMMITTEE (PCSSC)**

PCSSC members Jim Iker and Marjorie Dumont provided an overview of the PCSSC work since the February 2021 meeting.

• **Report Out and Recommendations**

- Professional Standards - Promotion and Awareness
- Certification Standards Review
  - Familiarization Course Development (UBC)

Lynne Tomlinson, Meredith Fenton, Simone Hausknecht and Vanessa Smith from the University of British Columbia presented the UBC Familiarization Course Proposal to BCTC and answered questions.

- Standards Specific to Language Proficiency

**BALFOUR/COLISTRO**

Motion: That the Chair formally follow up with Minister Jennifer Whiteside requesting that the Ministry provide funding and continued resources for *in-service* for teachers with a goal of creating greater awareness about the Professional Standards, and especially Standard 9.

CARRIED

**5. MINISTRY UPDATE ON TEACHER CERTIFICATION ENHANCEMENT PROJECT**

Serena Chandi, Executive Director, and Andrew Crawford, A/Director of Certification, from the Teacher Certification Branch provided an update on the Teacher Certification Project. The project focuses on the following areas of teacher certification:

- Changes to TCB website and streamlining of application process
- Changes to "My Account" area
- Digitization of application process
- New Teacher Regulation Software System

Serena and Andrew engaged in dialogue with the BCTC about changes to communications with teachers and serving educators in the French language through the new system.

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**6. NEW TEACHER SURVEY WORKING GROUP (NTSWG)**

Chair welcomed Nicole Gardner, Director of Outreach, Analytics and Reporting, Education Analytics Office, and Ed Kroc, Assistant Professor with Curriculum and Pedagogy, UBC, the external members of the NTSWG.

NTSWG member Ralf St. Clair provided an overview of the NTSWG work since the February 2021 meeting.

- **Report Out and Recommendations**
  - Draft Questions for 2021 Survey

**NEER/BALFOUR**

Motion: That BCTC approve in-principle the New Teacher Survey 2021 - Draft Survey Questions.

CARRIED

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**7. REVIEW OF THE MINUTES**

The Chair deferred this item to June 9, 2021.

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**8. ADJOURNMENT**

**CHRONA/BALFOUR**

Motion: That the meeting of June 8, 2021 be adjourned.

CARRIED

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COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 12:00 PM

**JUNE 9, 2021**

**ATTENDANCE**

- BCTC:** Shelley Balfour, Jatinder Bir, Lisa Kishkan, Marjorie Dumont, Alice Kedves, Danielle Neer, Jim Iker, Adrienne Demers, Carolyn Broady, Terence Berting, Jay Dixon, Jo-Anne Chrona, Shannon Wagner, Joseph Colistro, Beverley Young, Serena Chandi
- Absent:** None
- Guests:** None
- Outgoing BCTC Members:** John Hall, Thomas Longridge, Janine Fraser, Matthew Cooke, Ralf St. Clair, Shelaina Postings
- Staff:** Shawn McMullin, Frank Dunham, Dijana Gres, Vicki Wayne, Eric Tso, Sameena Sheriff
- Public:**

Christine Stewart	BC Teachers' Federation (BCTF)
Mike Skinner	Assistant Superintendent Nechako Lakes School District
Tricia Stobbe	Christian Educators of British Columbia

The Chair, Jim Iker, called the meeting to order at 9:04 AM.

**1. OPENING OF THE MEETING**

- **Acknowledgement with gratitude of the Territories of the Indigenous Peoples within our province**

BCTC member, Carolyn Broady, acknowledged with gratitude the Territories of the Indigenous Peoples within our province.

The Chair acknowledged the achievements of several Indigenous hockey players.

- **Approval of Agenda**

**CHRONA/KISHKAN**

Motion: That the agenda of June 9, 2021 be adopted.

CARRIED

- **Future Meeting Dates - Poll and Decision**

The Chair informed the BCTC that there will be three polls, two for the fall meeting dates (to provide options for both virtual and in-person meetings), and one poll for the winter in-person meeting.

Members voted via Zoom poll, the dates of **October 6-8, 2021** were chosen as the in-person BCTC fall meeting dates, and **September 28-29 and October 7-8, 2021** were chosen as the online BCTC fall meeting dates (if required). The dates of **February 9-11, 2022** were chosen as the in-person BCTC winter meeting dates.



• **Opening Question**

Chair informed the BCTC that, Shawn McMullin, has prepared an opening question for the attendees.

*The only way to really get to equity and reconciliation is to continue to revisit our own biases and assumptions – it is the water we each swim in and unless we pause and pay attention, we are at risk of perpetuating the harm imposed on those who have been marginalized.*

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**2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Tricia Stobbe thanked the BCTC for their work and introduced herself to the new BCTC members.

Christine Stewart made a comment on learning about systemic racism and systemic white supremacy as a teacher and how addressing them is difficult but very necessary.

**DIXON/KISHKAN**

Motion: That the BCTC schedule a 3-hour workshop for the sole purpose of engaging in a thorough review of the draft revisions to the Certification Standards pertaining to English and French Language Proficiency.

CARRIED

**3. TEP APPROVAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE (TEPASC)**

TEPASC Member, Matthew Cooke, provided an overview of the TEPASC work since the February 2021 meeting.

• **Report Out and Recommendations**

- Update on review of revised draft TEP Approval Standards by BCTC external legal counsel
- Recommendation to BCTC

**WAGNER/CHRONA**

Motion: That the BCTC approve the Draft TEP Approval Standards version 12 and that they be sent to Minister Jennifer Whiteside for her review and consideration.

CARRIED

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**4. FAREWELL TO OUTGOING BCTC MEMBERS**

- **Video message from Minister Jennifer Whiteside**

The Chair informed the BCTC that Minister Whiteside was not able to join the BCTC meeting but instead, prepared a video message for the Council members. In the video, Minister Whiteside recognized each outgoing member and the contribution they made to the BCTC. The Minister also welcomed the incoming BCTC members.

- **Comments from Chair and BCTC members**

The Chair thanked each outgoing BCTC member for their considerable and unique contributions to the Council.

Departing BCTC Members:

- Matt Cooke – Elected, North Zone
- Janine Fraser – Elected, Interior Zone
- John Hall – Appointed, nominated by BCTF
- Tom Longridge – Appointed, nominated by BCSSA
- Ralf St. Clair – Appointed, nominated by ABCDE
- Shelaina Postings – Appointed, Minister's Representative
- Jay Dixon – Appointed, nominated by BCPVPA – *Chair announced that Jay will be leaving BCTC at the end of July to pursue a new role in SD71. In the new role Jay will become a member of the BCSSA and cease membership with the BCPVPA.*

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**5. TEP WORKING GROUP (TEPWG)**

- **Continued dialogue with ABCDE/TEPs on plan for 2021/22 academic year in light of COVID**

The Chair informed BCTC that the TEPWG report out is posted on SharePoint and will be shared via email to all members post-meeting.

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**6. REVIEW OF THE MINUTES**

The Chair advised that the draft minutes for June 8 and 9, 2021 will be circulated via email post-meeting to BCTC members for review and approval.

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**7. ADJOURNMENT**

**BIR/KISHKAN**

Motion: That the meeting of June 9, 2021 be adjourned.

CARRIED

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COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 12:13 PM



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Jim Iker, Chair



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Shawn McMullin, Director of Professional Excellence



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Sameena Sheriff, Recording Secretary