MINUTES OF THE BC TEACHERS’ COUNCIL

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April 12, 2017

Attendance

Council: Rebecca Blair, John Hall, Jeffrey Jones, Teresa Rezansoff, Ted Riecken, Fred Robertson, Peter Van Huizen, Cathy Lambright, John Tyler, Matthew Cooke, Monty Palmantier, Laurence Greeff, Susan Wilson, Jim Iker,

Absent: Janine Fraser, Ramona Soares,

Guest: Ministry of Education Deputy Minister Dave Byng

Staff: Wilma Clarke, Shawn McMullin, Frank Dunham, Eric Tso, William Dare, Camelia Grecu, Alexandra Gillis, Katarina Hodak, Andrew Crawford, David Wilkie,

Public: Vandy Britton University of the Fraser Valley
Nicolas Fillion Simon Fraser University
Jo-Anne Chrona First Nations Education Steering Committee
Christine Stewart British Columbia Teachers’ Federation
Rod Brown University of British Columbia
Tricia Stobbe Christian Educators of British Columbia
Kimberly Franklin Trinity Western University
Mark Campbell Simon Fraser University
Sharon Wahl Vancouver Island University
Sarah Osberg Thompson Rivers University
Robyn Rankin Vancouver School Board
Elizabeth Moore Independent Schools Association of BC
Claire Rushton University of British Columbia

The Chair, Rebecca Blair, called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

1. Introduction and Recognition of the Traditional Territories

The Chair welcomed members of the public and recognized the traditional territories of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh peoples.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Rezansoff/Jones

Motion: That the agenda for April 12, 2017 be approved.

CARRIED
3. **Chair’s Report Out**

The Chair informed Council that she recently attended a Continuing Professional Development meeting via teleconference. The Chair also announced that Ted Riecken, Peter Van Huizen and Rebecca Blair have been re-appointed as members of the BC Teachers’ Council and that Jo-Anne Chrona has been newly appointed to Council for the next term.

4. **Council Dialogue with Deputy Minister – Dave Byng**

The Chair welcomed Dave Byng, Deputy Minister of Education, and reviewed the Council’s recent accomplishments. The Deputy Minister thanked the Council for their work and congratulated them on the progress made towards the goals of their Work Plan.

5. **Fall 2017 Meeting Date**

The Chair informed Council that this is the last meeting of the 2016-2017 reporting period. TRB staff were directed to bring forward potential Fall 2017 meeting dates for discussion tomorrow.

6. **Correspondence**

The Council reviewed the following correspondence:

- Letter from Council to UNBC approving Teacher Education Program changes
- Letter from VIU to Council requesting VIU specific data report from the New Teacher Survey
  - Letter from Council to VIU informing university staff that they are required to submit an FOI request in order to access the information


The Chair reminded the Council that its work plan for 2016-17 was as follows:

1. Continue the review of the Standards for Educators in BC
2. Analysis and strategic release of the data from the New Teacher Survey
3. Establishment and implementation of an Interim Teacher Education Program Review Process
4. Establishment of a formal review process for teacher education programs
5. Development and implementation of a Council Communications Plan.
6. Ongoing Review of Council’s policies, procedures and meeting rules.
7. Begin a review process of Certification Standards
PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

8. UPDATE FROM THE INTERIM TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM REVIEW COMMITTEE

Shawn McMullin presented the ITEPRC dashboard to Council and discussed the Teacher Education Program review and approval process to date.

BREAK

9. PRESENTATION: ADDING OUTDOOR/ADVENTURE EDUCATION AS A TEACHABLE SUBJECT

Sarah Osberg and Robyn Rankin delivered a presentation on the merits of adding Outdoor Education as a teachable subject. The Council discussed the logistics of implementation, teacher training and student safety.

10. BC TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM - STRUCTURED DIALOGUES

Fred Robertson and Jim Iker presented their findings from the VIU Structured Dialogue. Sharon Wahl, Associate Dean of Education, was in attendance to provide her perspective and respond to questions.

LUNCH

11. DISCUSSION ON BCTC PARTICIPANTS AT THE BC TEP ROUND TABLE AT UBC, MAY 10-12 2017

The Chair informed Council that the TRB has reserved seats for two BCTC members to attend a Teacher Education Round Table at UBC Vancouver. The Council agreed that Laurence Greeff and Peter Van Huizen would attend on the Council’s behalf.
12. **BC Teacher Education Program - Structured Dialogues Continued**

Ted Riecken and Laurence Greeff presented their findings from the TWU Structured Dialogue. Kimberly Franklin, Dean of Education, was in attendance to comment and provide clarification.

Frank Dunham reviewed the 2017-2018 Structured Dialogue Schedule.

13. **UBCO Program Conditions Site Visit**

Frank Dunham reviewed the UBCO program approval conditions. The Chair asked Council to establish a consistent team that would complete the upcoming site visits.

**LAMBRIGHT/ROBERTSON**

**Motion:** That we refer this task back to the ITEPRC for them to establish a team amongst themselves.

**ROBERTSON**

**Amendment to the Motion:** That we refer this task back to the ITEPRC for them to establish a team.

**CARRIED**

**LAMBRIGHT/ROBERTSON**

**Motion:** That we refer this task back to the ITEPRC for them to establish a team.

**CARRIED**

14. **Update from the Chair on the TEP Working Group**

John Hall and Rebecca Blair discussed the recent work of the TEP Working Group. The Council was advised to review the updated TEPWG documents and send their questions to Shawn McMullin.

15. **TEP Interim Review Process**

The Chair reminded Council that the dissolution of the ITEPRC and the formation of the TEPRC will be on the agenda for the Fall 2017 Council meeting.
16. **Certification and Teacher Education Program Standards Review Update**

Katarina Hodak and Jane Worton presented to Council on the Certification Standards Review. The Council agreed to add this item to tomorrow’s agenda so that it can be discussed further.

17. **Review of the Minutes**

JONES/LAMBRIGHT  
**Motion:** That the Council adopt the meeting minutes.  
**CARRIED**

18. **Adjournment**

COOKE/ROBERTSON  
**Motion:** That the meeting be adjourned.  
**CARRIED**

*Council adjourned at 3:52 PM*
APRIL 13, 2017

ATTENDANCE

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Absent: Janine Fraser, Ramona Soares,

Staff: Wilma Clarke, Shawn McMullin, Frank Dunham, Eric Tso, William Dare, Camelia Grecu, Katarina Hodak, Andrew Crawford, Kimberly Dionne, Alexandra Gillis,

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Peter Froese Federation of Independent School Associations
Jo-Anne Chrona First Nations Education Steering Committee
Christine Stewart British Columbia Teachers’ Federation
John Yamamoto University of British Columbia
Tricia Stobbe Christian Educators of British Columbia

The Chair, Rebecca Blair, called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

1. INTRODUCTIONS

The Chair welcomed members of the public.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

REZANSOFF/IKER
Motion: That the agenda for April 13, 2017 be approved.

CARRIED

3. CERTIFICATION STANDARDS REVIEW PROCESS DISCUSSION

The Council reviewed the Certification Standards Review process to date.
GREEFF/REZANSOFF
Motion: That the Council move to Phase 2 of the Certification Standards Review as outlined in the Request for Proposal contract.

COOKE/LAMBRIGHT
Amendment to the Motion: That the Council direct staff to continue with Phase 2 of the Certification Standards Review up to Letter B “Co-present themes of Certification Standards to the Council at a scheduled Council meeting” as outlined in the Request for Proposal contract.

HALL/REZANSOFF
Amendment to the Motion: That the Council direct staff to continue with Phase 2 of the Certification Standards Review up to Letter B “Co-present a thematic draft of Certification Standards to the Council at a scheduled Council meeting” as outlined in the Request for Proposal contract.

COOKE/LAMBRIGHT
Amendment to the Motion: That the Council direct staff to continue with Phase 2 of the Certification Standards Review up to Letter B “Co-present themes of Certification Standards to the Council at a scheduled Council meeting” as outlined in the Request for Proposal contract.

GREEFF/REZANSOFF
Motion: That the Council move to Phase 2 of the Certification Standards Review as outlined in the Request for Proposal contract.

Cathy Lambright voted in the negative.

CARRIED

The TRB Executive Director provided assurance that a stakeholder list and interview schedule would be provided to Council in the interim.

ROBERTSON/COOKE
Motion: That as a part of Phase 2, Council draft that initial set of proposed standards.

DEFEATED

BREAK
4. **UPDATE ON PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS REVIEW AND NEW TEACHER SURVEY**

Shawn McMullin presented an update on the New Teacher Survey and discussed the Draft Professional Standards feedback that has been received to date.

5. **NOTICE OF MOTION FROM LAURENCE GREEFF**


6. **COUNCIL LEARNING: PROGRAM APPROVAL STANDARDS – GUIDING THE REVIEW OF TEPs**

Frank Dunham reviewed the Council’s feedback from the Program Approval Standards workshop held on February 2, 2017.

7. **REPORT OUT: K-12 ABORIGINAL EDUCATION PARTNERS TABLE**

Laurence Greeff presented a report on the K-12 Aboriginal Education Partners Table meeting he attended on February 22, 2017.

8. **REPORT OUT: FRENCH LANGUAGE ADVISORY COUNCIL**


9. **NOTICE OF MOTION BROUGHT FORWARD FROM FEBRUARY MEETING**

JONES/WILSON

**Motion:** That Council request staff to provide information and recommended process for the temporary or interim certification of teachers from countries other than Canada for the purposes of teaching languages other than English in schools in British Columbia

HALL/IKER

Motion: That the motion be tabled until the next meeting.

CARRIED
10. **Confirmation of Fall 2017 Council Meeting Dates**

   The Council agreed that the next Council meeting will take place on October 5-6, 2017.

11. **Council Communication Plan: 2016-2017**

   The Council agreed to publicly commemorate World Teachers’ Day on October 5, 2017.

12. **Goodbyes**

   The Chair announced that Monty Palmantier has completed his appointment term. The Council thanked Monty for his commitment and service.

13. **Review of the Minutes**

   PALMANTIER/JONES
   Motion: That the meeting minutes be adopted.

   CARRIED

14. **Adjournment**

   LAMBRIGHT/PALMANTIER
   Motion: That the meeting be adjourned.

   CARRIED

*Council adjourned at 11:52 AM*
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Rebecca Blair, Chair

Wilma Clarke, Executive Director

Eric Tso, Recording Secretary