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Minutes of the BC Teachers' Council
Held at the Teacher Regulation Branch
Thursday & Friday, April 28-29, 2016

APRIL 28, 2016

ATTENDANCE

Council: Rebecca Blair, Matthew Cooke, Janine Fraser, John Hall, Jim Iker, Jeffrey Jones, Cathy Lambright, Teresa Rezansoff, Ted Riecken, Fred Robertson, John Tyler, Peter Van Huizen, Monty Palmantier, Ramona Soares

Absent: Susan Wilson

Staff: Wilma Clarke, Billy Sutherland, Shawn McMullin, Frank Dunham

Public Members: Rod Brown University of British Columbia
Chris Stewart British Columbia Teachers’ Federation
Beverly Ruberg Thompson Rivers University
Tricia Stobbe Christian Teachers Association of British Columbia

The Chair, Rebecca Blair, called the meeting to order at 1:04 pm.

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.

The Chair recognized the National Day of Mourning for those who lost their lives as a result of work-related accidents or occupational diseases.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

GREEFF/VAN HUISEN
Motion: That item 4 be deleted from the agenda. CARRIED

COOKE/REZANSOFF
Motion: That the agenda for April 28, 2016 be approved as amended. CARRIED

3. REMAINING MEETING DATES FOR 2016-2017

Council members agreed to respond to an online poll for a Council meeting date in May.
4. **Correspondence**

**GREEFF/TYLER**
Motion: Move the topic of correspondence related to our mandate to later in the day.

CARRIED

5. **Public Comment Period**

6. **Council Meeting Rules**

**LAMBRIGHT/VAN HUIZEN**
Motion: That an amendment to the meeting rules be made to allow the Annual Report to be developed in the same process it was last year.

CARRIED

**ROBERTSON**

Notice of Motion on an amendment to the meeting rules regarding election procedures.

7. **Council Workplan for 2016-2017**

**GREEFF/ROBERTS**

Motion: That the following be our work plan for 2016/2017.

1. Continue the review of the Standards for Educators in BC
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.

CARRIED

8. **General Discussion - Correspondence (continued)**

**REZANSOFF/ROBERTSON**

Motion: That we redirect the BC Teacher' Council letters to the Fraser Institute and Minister Valcourt/Bennett to Minister Bernier with a cover letter to be added outlining our reasons for sending them to the Minister.

**HALL/ROBERTSON**

Amendment: That we copy the letters to the Representative for Children and Youth.

CARRIED
REZANOFF/ROBERTSON
Motion: That we redirect the BC Teacher' Council letters to the Fraser Institute and Minister Valcourt/Bennett to Minister Bernier with a cover letter to be added outlining our reasons for sending them to the Minister, and that we copy the letter to the Representative for Children and Youth.
DEFEATED

9. COUNCIL REPRESENTATION ON K-12 ABORIGINAL EDUCATION PARTNERS GROUP

GREEFF/LAMBRIGHT
Motion: That the K-12 Aboriginal Education Partners Group representative’s report be moved to tomorrow’s meeting and be dealt with on the agenda first thing.
CARRIED

LAMBRIGHT/ROBERTSON
Motion: To extend the meeting up to 15 minutes to 4:15pm.
DEFEATED

ROBERTSON/GREEFF
Motion: That this discussion be referred to tomorrow’s agenda.
CARRIED

10. REVIEW OF THE MINUTES

IKER/FRASER
Motion: That the minutes be approved as grammatically amended by staff.
CARRIED

11. ADJOURNMENT

IKER/HALL
Motion: That the meeting be adjourned.
CARRIED

COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 4:00 PM
April 29, 2016

Attendance

Council: Rebecca Blair, Matthew Cooke, Janine Fraser, Laurence Greeff, John Hall, Glen Hansman, Jim Iker, Jeffrey Jones, Cathy Lambrigh, Monty Palmantier, Teresa Rezansoff, Ted Riecken, Fred Robertson, John Tyler, Peter Van Huizen

Absent: Ramona Soares, Susan Wilson

Staff: Wilma Clarke, Billy Sutherland, Shawn McMullin, Frank Dunham, Kim Dionne, Alexandra Gillis

Public Members: Wendy Carr University of British Columbia
Peter Froese Federation of Independent Schools Association
Susan Crichton University of British Columbia Okanagan
Chris Stewart British Columbia Teachers’ Federation
Beverly Ruberg Thompson Rivers University
Glen Hansman British Columbia Teachers’ Federation
Tricia Stobbe Christian Teachers Association of British Columbia
Rod Brown University of British Columbia

The Chair, Rebecca Blair, called the meeting to order at 9:01 am.

1. Introductions

The Chair welcomes members of the public.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Rezansoff/Van Huizen
Motion: That the agenda for April 29, 2016 be approved as amended.
CARRIED

3. BC Teacher Education Programs (TEPs)

Council reviewed the Interim TEP Review Committee’s (ITEPRC) Terms of Reference

Rezansoff/Cooke
Motion: That the revised Terms of Reference document be approved.
CARRIED
Council reviewed the ITEPRC – Interim TEP Approval Process – V4 (with edits)

HALL/IKER
Motion: That number 10, Judicial Review be amended to say: The institution may consider judicial review if denied.

ROBERTSON/*
Motion: Extend the agenda until the discussion on this document is concluded.
Motion denied by Chair.

ROBERTSON
Challenge the Chair.

GREEFF/TYLER
Motion: Sustain the Chair.

..............................................................CARIED..............................................................

ROBERTSON/LAMBRIGHT
Amendment: That the amendment proposed to number 10 Judicial Review be changed to state: Council’s decision is open to application to the courts for judicial review.

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HALL/IKER
Motion as amended: That number 10, Judicial Review be amended to say: Note: Council’s decision is open to application to the courts for judicial review.

..............................................................CARIED..............................................................

IKER/LAMBRIGHT
Motion: That Council accept this proposed policy Interim TEP Approval Process.

TYLER
Call the question.

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IKER/LAMBRIGHT
Main motion: That Council accepts this proposed policy Interim TEP Approval Process.

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GREEFF/FRASER
Motion: Move item #9 on the agenda be moved to the agenda for the next meeting of Council.

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RIECKEN/REZANSOFF
Motion: Continue agenda item #2 – BC Teacher Education Programs – and suspend the other items on the agenda until we have completed this item.

..............................................................CARIED..............................................................
HALL/VAN HUIZEN  
Motion: That Council meet in private to discuss the program proposals.  
CARRIED

TYLER/*  
Motion: That Council move out of private and continue.  
CARRIED

TYLER/VAN HUIZEN  
Motion: That Council approve the Thompson Rivers University BETT TEP.  
CARRIED

COOKE/JONES  
Motion: That Council approve the Thompson Rivers University STEM TEP.  
CARRIED

RIECKEN/JONES  
Motion: That Council approve UBC’s proposed changes to its middle school option.  
CARRIED

4. Council Meeting Dates  
LAMBRIGHT/COOKE  
Motion: That the next meeting of Council be May 25 & 26, 2016.  
CARRIED

5. Council Meeting Rules  
Council sought amendments to the Working Groups section to include election voting procedures  
ROBERTSON/COOKE  
Motion: That BC Teachers’ Council Meeting Rules be amended by adding the following five items to the proposed Election Voting Procedures:
9. That the successful candidate for a Council election receive a majority of votes cast.
10. If a ballot is not decisive, the lowest polling candidate will be dropped from the ballot and voting will continue until a successful candidate is elected.
11. Should a ballot be decisive for at least one candidate, the candidate with the least votes shall not be dropped from the ballot.
12. Each discrete election shall be completed before beginning a subsequent vote.
13. All ballots shall be destroyed at the conclusion of elections.  
CARRIED
6. **Professional Standards Steering Committee Update**

Members of the Committee updated Council on their deliberations.

7. **Discussion of BC Teachers’ Council Mandate and Motions**

**FRASER/ROBERTSON**
Motion: That the Chair write and send the letters to the Fraser Institute and Minister Bennett as per the Council’s previous decision.

**FRASER/ROBERTSON**
Motion: Refer the Election Voting Procedures amendment motion to staff for review and recommendations.

8. **K-12 Aboriginal Education Partners Representative Report**

Laurence Greeff updated Council on the March 10, 2016 meeting.

**GREEFF/HALL**
Motion: That Council support the recommendation from the K-12 Aboriginal Education Partners to the Minister of Education that the Ministry be encouraged to host a joint K-12 Aboriginal Education Partners meeting to discuss the recommendations of the Auditor General.

**HALL/GREEFF**
Motion: That the Council representative at the K-12 Aboriginal Education Partners group have both voice and vote.

**IKER/LAMBRIGHT**
Motion: Postpone consideration of this motion to the Council’s next meeting.

9. **Council Communication Plan**

A draft BC Teachers’ Council Communications Plan was reviewed by Council. Council determined the Plan be placed on the agenda of a future meeting for discussion.
10. Goodbyes

Council thanked Glen Hansman for his service to the Council and presented him with a certificate.

11. Review of the Minutes

JONES/FRASER
Motion: That the minutes be approved as amended.

CARRIED

12. Adjournment

LAMBRIGHT/COOKE
Motion: That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 3:58 PM
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