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FEBRUARY 8, 2018

ATTENDANCE

Council: Rebecca Blair, John Hall, Jeffrey Jones, Teresa Rezansoff, Ted Riecken, Fred Robertson, Peter Van Huizen, Cathy Lambright, John Tyler, Matthew Cooke, Jo-Anne Chrona, Laurence Greeff, Susan Wilson, Janine Fraser, Jim Iker, Paul Squires

Absent:

Election Officer:

Staff: Wilma Clarke, Shawn McMullin, Frank Dunham, Darren Piper, William Dare, Camelia Grecu, Andrew Crawford, Kim Dionne, Alexandra Gillis, Peta Brookstone

Public:	Christine Stewart	British Columbia Teachers' Federation
	Kit Krieger	BC Principals' and Vice Principal's Association
*Add names	Claire Rushton	University of British Columbia
	Glen Hansman	British Columbia Teachers' Federation
	Dr. Wendy Carr	University of British Columbia
	Dr. Allyson Jule	Trinity Western University
	Lor Millier	University of British Columbia

The Chair, Rebecca Blair, called the meeting to order at 9:03am.

1. INTRODUCTION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

REZANSOFF/COOKE

Motion: That the agenda for February 8, 2018 be approved.

CARRIED

2. BUSINESS AND REPORTING OUT

CORRESPONDENCE

The Council reviewed correspondence sent and received since the October 5-6 meeting.

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CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair informed BCTC that she sat on the Selection Committee for the new Commissioner for Teacher Regulation. Chair informed BCTC and gallery that the opening 10 minutes of the Friday meeting will be *in private* so that the Chair may provide an update to members on the selection process.

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PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Glen Hansman of the BC Teachers' Federation addressed the Council with a statement.

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3. BCTC WORKPLAN FOR 2017-2018

The Chair presented the BCTC Mandate and Workplan including goals/status for 2017-2018.

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4. REPORT OUT: TEP APPROVAL & REVIEW PROCESS (TEPWG)

The Chair and John Hall presented a PowerPoint overview of the TEP Approval and Review Process.

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BREAK

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REVIEW OF GUIDING PRINCIPLES & IMPLEMENTATION FRAMEWORK PACKAGE

The Chair and Vice-Chair reviewed the TEP Approval and Review Framework package approved in principle by the TEPWG in January 2018.

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REZANSOFF/VAN HUIZEN

Motion: to approve in principle, the guiding principles and implementation framework.

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CARRIED

5. REPRESENTATIVE FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH PRESENTATION

Cancelled as presenter was not present.

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LUNCH

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6. REPORT OUT: K-12 ABORIGINAL EDUCATION PARTNERS TABLE

Laurence Greeff provided a verbal report out on recent meetings of the K-12 Aboriginal Education Partners Table, in which recommendations were made to the Ministry.

Brian Hill, Representative for Children and Youth (RCY) Manager for Monitoring gave a thorough report which was well received by the K-12 partners.

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7. REPORT OUT AND OVERVIEW OF REVISED PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

The Chair and Cathy Lambright walked the Council through a PowerPoint of the Professional Standards Review Process.

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DISCUSSION OF INDIVIDUAL REVISED STANDARDS

Professional Standards Steering Committee (PSSC) members introduced and reviewed each proposed Professional Standard in seriatim.

STANDARD 1

GREEFF/ HALL

Motion: to remove the first sentence in Standard 1: 'Educators believe in the success of all students.'

..... AMENDED

HALL/GREEFF

Motion: to replace the first sentence with: 'Educators value the success of all students. educators care for students and act in their best interests.'

..... CARRIED

FRASER/LAMBRIGHT

Motion: to replace 'Aboriginal' with 'First Nations, Metis and Inuit' in all areas in the Standards.

..... CARRIED

ROBERTSON/TYLER

Motion: to approve Standard 1 in principle.

..... CARRIED

STANDARD 2

HALL/FRASER

Motion: to change the word 'profession' to 'duties' in Standard 2.

..... CARRIED

FRASER/IKER

Motion: to remove the words 'are role models', from the stem only, in Standard 2.

..... AMENDED

HALL/JONES

Motion: to change the first sentence in the descriptor of Standard 2 to 'Educators are role models and have a privileged position of power and trust'

..... CARRIED

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ROBERTSON/LAMBRIGHT

Motion: to approve Standard 2 in principle.

CARRIED

STANDARD 3

FRASER/GREEFF

Motion: to insert the words 'and special' in the last sentence of Standard 3:

'Educators work to create a positive, safe and inclusive learning environment to best meet the diverse **and special** needs of students.'

REACHED A TIMED ITEM

ROBERTSON/LAMBRIGHT

Motion: to extend adjournment time to 4:30pm today

DEFEATED

BREAK

8. SUMMARY OF COMMISSIONER'S ANNUAL REPORT

Elena Miller (Acting Commissioner) presented the findings of the Commissioner's Annual Report. She spoke on behalf of the previous commissioner, Bruce Preston.

COOKE/LAMBRIGHT

Motion: to extend the presentation time of the summary of the Commissioner's annual report

CARRIED

9. REVIEW OF THE MINUTES

HALL/WILSON

Motion: That the meeting minutes be adopted.

CARRIED

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ADJOURNMENT

JONES/VAN HUIZEN

Motion: That the meeting be adjourned.

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CARRIED

COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 4:39 PM

FEBRUARY 9, 2018

ATTENDANCE

Council: Rebecca Blair, John Hall, Jeffrey Jones, Teresa Rezansoff, Ted Riecken, Fred Robertson, Peter Van Huizen, Cathy Lambright, John Tyler, Matthew Cooke, Jo-Anne Chrona, Laurence Greeff, Susan Wilson, Jim Iker, Paul Squires

Absent: Janine Fraser

Guest:

Staff: Wilma Clarke, Shawn McMullin, Frank Dunham, Darren Piper, William Dare, Camelia Grecu, Alexandra Gillis, Mimi Lin, Andrew Crawford

Public Members:

Christine Stewart	British Columbia Teachers' Federation
Kit Krieger	BC Principals' and Vice Principal's Association
Dr. Andree Gaucoin	British Columbia Teachers' Federation
Dr. Wendy Carr	University of British Columbia
Dr. Larry Kuehn	British Columbia Teachers' Federation
Dr. Allyson Jule	Trinity Western University

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

1. UPDATE ON THE PROCESS TO APPOINT A NEW COMMISSIONER

Chair provided an update on the process for hiring of new Commissioner (in private).

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TRB staff and members of the public were invited to enter the Council chambers.

2. BUSINESS AND REPORTING OUT

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

LAMBRIGHT/WILSON

Motion: That the agenda for February 9, 2018 be approved.

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CARRIED

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR TEMPORARY MEMBER

The Chair called for the nomination of a temporary appointment to the K-12 Aboriginal Education Partners Table as Laurence Greeff's term ends on March 21, 2018.

Cathy Lambright accepted the nomination.

SELECTION OF DATE FOR ADDITIONAL ONE-DAY MEETING

The Chair suggested selecting an additional one day meeting to complete the review of the revised proposed Professional Standards.

Council members decided on Thursday March 15.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No comments

4. STRUCTURED DIALOGUES REPORT OUT

Frank Dunham, TRB Assistant Director, Teacher Education Program Reviews provided introduction.

THOMPSON RIVERS UNIVERSITY (TRU)

Jeffrey Jones and Jo-Anne Chrona reported out on the Structured Dialogue that occurred this past fall at TRU.

Called Dr. John Churchley, Chair of the School of Education, and Carol Rees, Associate Professor, B.Ed. Coordinator from the TRB Boardroom, and they spoke to the Structured Dialogue from the perspective of the program and answered questions from Council members.

UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA (UBC)

John Tyler and Teresa Rezansoff reported out on the Structured Dialogue that occurred this past fall at UBC.

Dr. Wendy Carr, Associate Dean, UBC spoke to the Structured Dialogue from the perspective of the program and answered questions from Council members.

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TYLER/REZANSOFF

Motion: that Council supports a reinstatement of an ongoing provincially-funded mentorship program

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CARRIED

GREEFF/IKER

Motion: that Council supports the ongoing development of the Implementing a BC Mental Health Literacy Strategy for Schools program

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CARRIED

BREAK

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DISCUSSION OF PROCESS REGARDING SATELLITE CAMPUSES

HALL/REZANSOFF

Motion: to Postpone Discussion

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DEFEATED

IKER/LAMBRIGHT

Motion: to include TEP satellite campuses in structured dialogues

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CARRIED

5. UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA OKANAGAN (UBCO) SITE VISIT REPORT OUT

The Chair provided introduction.

BCTC site visit members provided a brief overview of the first site visit to UBCO. Members recalled that conditional approval of the UBCO Renewed Program required four site visits within the first cycle of the program (16 months).

The Chair, Jeffrey Jones and Ted Riecken reported out on the site visit to UBCO on November 30 2017.

Next visit will be in April (possibly April 10).

6. DISCUSSION ITEM - MATTER OF UNCERTIFIED TEACHERS TEACHING ON-CALL (TTOC)

Chair indicated Laurence Greeff has requested time on the agenda to discuss this matter, particularly due to the recent media reports on SD83.

Council members discussed the issue of replacement individuals who are employed for periods of 20 days or less, either in situations where a certificate holder may not be available, or in situations where a teacher candidate or individual who has not (yet) received a teaching certificate.

Discussion clearly reflected there is a shortage of certified teachers in the province.

LAMBRIGHT/IKER

Motion: that Council writes a letter of concern to the Minister regarding the hiring of replacement individuals and the concerns regarding regulatory oversight to maintain public confidence in the K-12 system.

CARRIED

LUNCH

7. TEP APPROVAL & REVIEW PROCESS (CONT'D)

Review of Guiding Principles & Implementation Framework Package

The Chair and Vice-Chair reviewed the TEP Approval and Review Framework package approved in principle by the TEPWG in January 2018.

8. PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS REVIEW (CONT'D)

STANDARD 3 (CONT'D)

FRASER/GREEFF (brought forward from day one)

Motion: to insert the words 'and special' in the last sentence of Standard 3:

'Educators work to create a positive, safe and inclusive learning environment to best meet the diverse **and special** needs of students.'

DEFEATED

HALL/ROBERTSON

Motion: to approve Standard 3 in principle

CARRIED

STANDARD 4

GREEFF/COOKE

Motion: to approve Standard 4 in principle

CARRIED

STANDARD 5

RIECKEN/REZANSOFF

Motion: to insert the word 'respectful' before the word 'inclusive' in the initial statement of Standard 5:

'Educators implement effective planning, instruction, assessment and reporting practices to create **respectful**, inclusive environments for student learning and development.'

CARRIED

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GREEFF/HALL

Motion: to approve Standard 5 in principle.

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CARRIED

STANDARD 6

IKER/HALL

Motion: to replace 'demonstrate' with 'have' in the initial statement of Standard 6:

Educators **have** a broad knowledge base and an understanding of areas they teach.

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DEFEATED

HALL/RIECKEN

Motion: to insert the word 'other' before 'global perspectives' in the supporting stem of Standard 6:

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DEFEATED

REZANSOFF/ROBERTSON

Motion: to approve Standard 6 in principle.

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CARRIED

STANDARD 7

GREEFF/IKER

Motion: to call the question.

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CARRIED

HALL/GREEFF

Motion: to remove the word 'continual' in the initial statement of Standard 7.

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CARRIED

BREAK

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9. CERTIFICATION STANDARDS REVIEW UPDATE

Andrew Crawford, Acting Director of Certification provided an update on the Certification Standards Review Process and answered questions from Council members.

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10. TEP APPROVAL STANDARDS REVIEW UPDATE

Fred Robertson, on behalf of the Professional Standards Steering Committee (PSSC), provided an update on the TEP Approval Standards Review process

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11. UPDATE ON THE BCTC ELECTION 2018

Sally Mercer, BCTC Election Officer, provided an update on the 2018 BCTC election.

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12. BCTF CURRICULUM SURVEY PRESENTATION

Dr. Larry Kuehn and Dr. Andree Gacoin presented a summary of the 2017 BCTF Curriculum Change and Implementation Survey and answered questions from Council members.

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13. REVIEW OF THE MINUTES

LAMBRIGHT/JONES

Motion: That the meeting minutes be adopted.

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CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

JONES/COOKE

Motion: That the meeting be adjourned.

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CARRIED

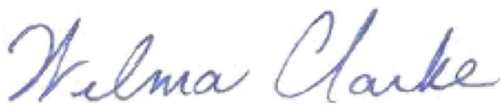
COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 4:12

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Rebecca Blair, Chair



Wilma Clarke, Executive Director



Darren Piper, Recording Secretary