MINUTES OF THE BC TEACHERS’ COUNCIL

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JANUARY 21, 2016

ATTENDANCE

Council:  Rebecca Blair, Janine Fraser, John Hall, Glen Hansman, Jeffrey Jones, Teresa Rezansoff, Ted Riecken, Fred Robertson, Peter Van Huizen, Ann Whiteaker, Cathy Lambright, John Tyler, Matthew Cooke, Ramona Soares

Absent:  Monty Palmantier

Staff:  Wilma Clarke, Jody D’Angelo, Alison Hougham, Shawn McMullin, Monica Winter, Andrew Crawford, Eric Tso

Public Members:  Beverly Ruberg  TRU
                  Chris Stewart  BCTF
                  Wendy Carr  UBC
                  Rod Brown  UBC
                  Carol Rees  TRU
                  Susan Crichton  UBC
                  Tricia Stobbe  CTABC
                  John Puddifoot  Public
                  Kim Franklin  TWU

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

1.  INTRODUCTION AND RECOGNITION OF 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

HANSMAN/REZANSOFF
Motion: That the agenda for January 21, 2016 be approved.

3.  SHAREPOINT ACCESS

The Executive Director agreed to arrange SharePoint training for Council.
4. TRB Security Protocol

The Director of Professional Excellence-Outreach informed Council that the TRB has had a security system installed and provided info on how the system works.

5. Workplan for 2015-2016

The Chair reminded Council that the 2015-16 workplan is as follows:

1. Certification of trades educators - COMPLETE
2. Initiating first stages of the review of the Standards for educators in BC
3. Analysis of the data for the New Teacher Survey
4. Establishment of a review process for teacher education programs (TEP’s)
5. Communication of the Council’s work and mandate

6. Future Meeting Dates

ROBERTSON/HALL
Motion: That we have a fourth meeting during the date of April 21-24 and 22, 2016.

AMENDED

TYLER/REZANSOFF
Amendment to the Motion: That TRB send out a Doodle poll with the two dates and whatever of the two dates people could attend, that would be the date Council chooses. A calendar will be circulated for Council to indicate their availability.

CARRIED

Motion: A calendar will be circulated for Council to indicate their availability.

CARRIED AS AMENDED

REZANSOFF/ROBTERSON
Motion: That fourth meeting date be set for April 28 and 29th, 2016.

CARRIED

7. Trades Tele-Forum Update

The Director of Professional Excellence and Outreach gave Council an update on the Trades Tele-forum which was held on October 15, 2015 to answer any questions regarding the new Trades Certificate.

8. Annual Report

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

9. CORRESPONDENCE

HANSMAN/HALL
Motion: That the Council’s correspondence to former Minister Valcourt and his response be forwarded to the Honorable Carolyn Bennett.

CARRIED

ROBERTSON/REICKEN
Motion: That Council elects a member to sit on the K-12 Aboriginal Education Partners Table to satisfy the request.

CARRIED

COOKE
Notice of Motion: That the Council rep to the working group be a voice, no vote role and provide a brief report to Council.

HALL/ROBERTSON
Notice of Motion: That Council communicate directly to the Fraser Institute its displeasure with the ranking of schools.

10. TALKING BREAKS

Council agreed that a question related to the agenda will be added to the agenda ahead of time in order to solicit conversation and feedback from the public visitors.

11. TALKING BREAK

Kim Franklin, Trinity Western University gave some background information on an article released by the Vancouver Sun regarding Mark Yarhouse and Trinity Western University.

Beverly Ruberg, Thompson River University gave some positive feedback on a Professional Education workshop she recently attended.

Carol Rees, Thompson River University thanked the Teacher Regulation Branch for the time and work they put in with regards to the university’s proposals.
12. January 22 Agenda

LAMBRIGHT/COOKE
Motion: That the January 22, 2016 agenda be amended to include the Working Group Financials item and Council Communications Plan Update item.

CARRIED

13. BC Teacher Education Programs

HANSMAN/FRASER
Motion: That the draft Guiding Principles be adopted.

CARRIED

JONES/FRASER
Motion: That the meeting be extended until 12:10pm.

CARRIED

REZANSOFF/LAMBRIGHT
Motion: That Council approve, in principle, the Interim Teacher Education Program Review approval process with the Committee of the Council as an option.

CARRIED

HANSMAN/FRASER
Motion: That the Interim Teacher Education Program Review Committee be comprised of five members of Council.

AMENDED

GREEFF/ROBERTSON
Amendment to the Motion: That the Interim Teacher Education Program Review Committee be comprised of five members of Council and that the composition be reviewed on a yearly basis.

CARRIED

REZANSOFF/WHITEAKER
Amendment to the Amendment: That the Interim Teacher Education Program Review Committee be comprised of five members of Council, three certificate holders and two non-certificate holders; and that the composition, be reviewed on a yearly basis.

DEFEATED

Motion: That the Interim Teacher Education Program Review Committee be comprised of five members of Council, and that the composition, be reviewed on a yearly basis.

CARRIED AS AMENDED

HANSMAN/VAN HUIZEN
Motion: That the Interim Program Approval Team be comprised of two Council members, one certificate holder, and one teacher educator.

CARRIED
14. PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS

Andrew Crawford, Manager of Certification gave a presentation on the Professional Standards.

Cathy Lambright and Teresa Rezansoff gave an update on the work of the Standards Review Steering Committee.

REZANSOFF/HALL
Motion: That the Standards Review Steering Committee terms of reference change to reflect decision making will be on a consensus model if possible; if unable to reach consensus it will go to majority vote.
CARRIED

15. BC TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAMS CONTINUED

GREEFF/WHITEAKER
Motion: That Council refers the BETT proposal to the Interim Teacher Education Program Review subcommittee for them to determine the next steps.
CARRIED

GREEFF/VAN HUIZEN
Motion: That Council refers the STEM proposal to the Interim Teacher Education Program Review subcommittee for them to determine the next steps.
CARRIED

18. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

TYLER/JONES
Motion: That Council approve the January 21, 2016 minutes.
CARRIED

19. ADJOURNMENT

TYLER/JONES
Motion: That the meeting be adjourned.
CARRIED

COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 3:57 PM
JANUARY 22, 2016

ATTENDANCE

Council: Rebecca Blair, Janine Fraser, John Hall, Glen Hansman, Jeffrey Jones, Teresa Rezansoff, Fred Robertson, Peter Van Huizen, Ann Whiteaker, Cathy Lambright, John Tyler, Matthew Cooke, Ramona Soares

Absent: Monty Palmartier, Ted Riecken

Staff: Wilma Clarke, Jody D’Angelo, Alison Hougham, Shawn McMullin, Bruce Preston

Public Members: John Puddifoot Public
Kim Franklin TWU
Chris Stewart BCTF
John Yamamoto UBC
Ted Cadwallader Ministry of Education

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

GREEFF/WHITEAKER
Motion: That the agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

3. WORKING GROUP FINANCIALS

The Executive Director informed the Council that the Council has funds allocated to support its operations - this figure is a forecast based on past expenditures and projected Council workplans.

Should the Council wish to undertake certain work or develop a committee of some kind, the ED will consider the following when determining if financial support is available:

1. The approval of the Minister and Assistant Deputy Minister
2. Whether the work falls within the mandate of the Council
3. Whether the work falls within the workplan of the Council
4. **New Teacher Survey**

The Director of Professional Excellence and Outreach gave an update on the New Teacher Survey.

5. **Public Comment Period**

Kim Franklin, Trinity Western University, thanked Council for the work they are doing on the New Teacher survey.

6. **Council Learning Opportunities Update**

GREEFF/ROBERTSON

Motion: That a learning opportunity be arranged by staff that focuses on the Regulatory Governance-Council on Licensure, Enforcement and Regulation.

CARRIED

7. **Interim Education Program Committee Election**

WHITEAKER/VAN HUIZEN

Motion: That it be tabled until 11:00am.

CARRIED

8. **Notice Motion: Reparative Therapies**

HANSMAN/FRASER

Motion: That the Teachers’ Council:

a) be on record as stating its opposition to the use or promotion of “reparative therapies” or “conversion therapies,” a form of abuse aimed at lesbian, gay or bisexual students.

b) call upon both the provincial and federal governments to ban “conversion therapies.”

TABLED

VAN HUIZEN/WHITEAKER

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

CARRIED

9. **Fraser Institute Correspondence**

HALL/ROBERTSON

Motion: That Council communicate directly to the Fraser Institute its displeasure with the ranking of
schools.

10. **K-12 Aboriginal Education Partners Table**

COOKE/REZANOFF
Motion: That the Council rep to the working group be a voice, no vote role and provide a brief report to Council.

LAMBRIGHT/GREEFF
Amendment to the Motion: That the motion be tabled until after the next K-12 Aboriginal Education Partners Meeting.


WHITEAKER/GREEFF
Motion: That the meeting orders of the day be extended to 12:00pm and that the meeting be extended to complete the remaining items.

12. **Presentation: Aboriginal Education Reports**

Ted Cadwallader, Provincial Director, Aboriginal Education with the Ministry of Education provided a presentation regarding the Ministry’s 2014-2015 How Are We Doing Report as well as the recommendations contained in the Auditor General’s Report on Aboriginal Education.

13. **Interim Education Program Committee Election Continued**

Jeff, Matthew, Rebecca, John Tyler and Ted were elected to serve on the Interim Education Program Committee.

14. **K-12 Aboriginal Education Partners Table Continued**

Laurence was elected to sit on the K-12 Aboriginal Education Partners Table.

15. **Council Policies**

WHITEAKER/LAMBRIGHT
Motion: That the Council request staff to review previous policy from the BC College of Teachers to identify policies which are applicable to the current work of the Council and provide a report to Council at a future Council meetings.

CARRIED

16. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

LAMBRIGHT/GREEFF
Motion: That Council approve the January 22, 2016 meeting minutes.

CARRIED

17. ADJOURNMENT

WHITEAKER/REZANOFF
Motion: That the meeting be adjourned.

DEFEATED/CARRIED

COUNCIL ADJOURNED AT 12:40 PM
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Rebecca Blair, Chair

Wilma Clarke, Executive Director

Jody D'Angelo, Recording Secretary