MINUTES OF THE BC TEACHERS’ COUNCIL

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June 6, 2019

ATTENDANCE

Council: Rebecca Blair, Jim Iker, Jatinder Kaur Bir, Matthew Cooke, Alice Kedves, Jo Chrona, Tom Longridge, Ralf St. Clair, Peter Van Huizen, John Hall, Carolyn Broady, Marjorie Dumont, Shelaina Postings, Terry Berting, Jay Dixon, Janine Fraser

Regrets: John Tyler, outgoing BCTC member

Staff: Shawn McMullin, Frank Dunham, William Dare, Dijana Gres, Alexandra Gillis, Christine Ducharme

Guests: Susan Wilson, outgoing BCTC member
Eben Watt, Director, Stakeholder and Intergovernmental Relations, Ministry Jobs, Trade and Technology

Public: Benjamin Cheung University of British Columbia
Marianne McTavish University of British Columbia
Tricia Stobbe Christian Educators of British Columbia
Christine Stewart BC Teachers’ Federation

The Chair, Rebecca Blair, called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm.

1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

Acknowledgement of the Traditional Territories of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Peoples

The Chair recognizes the Traditional Territories of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh peoples and thanks them for allowing this meeting to be held on their territories.

The Chair asked BCTC member Iker to open the meeting with a question for attendee response. BCTC member Hall volunteered to prepare a question to open the next meeting.
• Approval of Agenda

The Chair reminded members that the agenda was developed from the motions passed at the February 2019 BCTC meeting and from BCTC’s 2018-2019 workplan. Some members have requested a discussion regarding staffing changes and implications.

HALL/BROADY
Motion: That the agenda for June 7, 2019 be amended to allow an in-private discussion with respect to Ministry staffing changes and potential implications on the work of Council.

CARRIED

• Future meeting dates for 2019/2020

The Chair reminded members that meeting dates for the fall 2019 and spring 2020 must be set at this meeting and requested that members indicate their preferences.

2. BUSINESS AND REPORTING OUT

• Correspondence

The Chair informed BCTC that there was correspondence sent/received since the February meeting. Correspondence not discussed under the correspondence section were discussed under specific agenda items later in the agenda.

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- 2019-05-28
  To UNBC re. TEPARC 2019-05-15 Meeting Outcome
- 2019-06-04
  From DM re. Staff Changes

Correspondence requiring BCTC’s action

- 2019-05-07
  From MRF re. Professional Standards
- 2019-05-15
  From UBCV re. DHH Pathways
- 2019-05-16
  To MRF re. Professional Standards
- 2019-05-28
  To UBCV re. DHH Pathways

Chair’s Report Out

The Chair informed BCTC that the Teacher Education Program Approval and Review Framework was ratified at the TEP Roundtable at Vancouver Island University on May 3, 2019.

Welcome and Farewell to BCTC Members

The Chair welcomed new BCTC members Terry Berting, Jay Dixon and Shelaina Postings, with thanks to former members John Tyler and Susan Wilson.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The Chair invited the public to speak to BCTC. The Chair reminded attendees of their opportunity to review the agenda and provide comment on anything pertinent/of interest to them. Issues raised during this period may be referred to the Chair and Ministry staff for consideration.

Benjamin Cheung spoke about Psychology not being included as a teachable area qualifying graduates to enter teacher education programs. The Chair spoke about the current review of the Certification Standards, advising that there will be opportunity for public input.
4. **ELECTION OF BCTC CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR**

   **Administered by the Commissioner for Teacher Regulation**

   The Chair informed 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 acclaimed as Vice-Chair.

   *The outgoing Chair handed meeting over to the incoming Chair.*

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

   - **Professional & Certification Standards Steering Committee (PCSSC)**

     The Chair reminded BCTC that due to a departure a position on the PCSSC was currently vacant. Ministry staff facilitated and oversaw the election. Carolyn Broady was acclaimed.

   - **French Education Stakeholders Advisory Committee**

     The Chair reminded BCTC members that a representative must be elected annually. Ministry staff facilitated and oversaw the election. Peter Van Huizen was acclaimed.

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

     The Chair reminded BCTC that a representative must be elected annually. Ministry staff facilitated and oversaw the election. Marjorie Dumont was acclaimed.

The Chair reminded BCTC members that the 2018/19 Workplan was developed at the BCTC June 2018 meeting as follows:

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<td>Goal 6: Continuation of the review of the BCTC’s policies, procedures and meeting rules</td>
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The Chair reminded BCTC members that a new workplan must be established for 2019/2020. The following workplan was proposed:

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ST. CLAIR/LONGRIDGE
Motion: To review and develop a New Teacher Survey. CARRIED

HALL/DUMONT
Motion: To adopt the 2019/2020 Workplan. CARRIED

7. EDUCATION EVENT REPORT OUTS

- UBCV 1-day conference: Supporting Students with Special Needs in Canadian Schools

Member Kedves provided a verbal report out to BCTC on the June 1, 2019 conference.

- OECD Conference

Member St. Clair provided a verbal report out to BCTC on the May 22/23, 2019 conference.
8. **PRESENTATION: MINISTRY OF JOBS, TRADE AND TECHNOLOGY**

The Chair welcomed Eben Watt, Director, Stakeholder and Intergovernmental Relations, Ministry of Jobs, Trade and Technology, who gave a presentation on labour mobility and how the Canadian Free Trade Agreement (CFTA) and North West Partnership Trade Agreement (NWPTA) intersects with the Certification Standards applied to certified educators from other jurisdictions in Canada wishing to certify in British Columbia.

9. **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

The Chair reminded BCTC to ensure accuracy of the Minutes.

**ST. CLAIR/COOKE**

Motion: To extend the meeting by 10 minutes.

CARRIED

**LONGRIDGE/CHRONA**

Motion: To accept the Minutes.

CARRIED

10. **ADJOURNMENT**

**BLAIR/DIXON**

Motion: That the Meeting of June 6, 2019 be adjourned.

CARRIED

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**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 4:10 PM**
June 7, 2019

ATTENDANCE

BCTC: Jim Iker, Jatinder Kaur Bir, Rebecca Blair, Marjorie Dumont, Peter Van Huizen, Alice Kedves, Ralf St. Clair, Matthew Cooke, Jay Dixon, Terry Berting, Tom Longridge, Carolyn Broady, Jo Chrona, John Hall, Shelaina Postings

Regrets: Janine Fraser, Rebecca Blair (afternoon), Jatinder Bir (afternoon)

John Tyler, outgoing BCTC member

Staff: Shawn McMullin, Frank Dunham, William Dare, Alexandra Gillis, Dijana Gres, Jacqueline Marchioni, Sally Mercer, Howard Kushner, Christine Ducharme, Kim Dionne

Guests: Allyson Jule Trinity Western University

Marian Riedel Vancouver Island University

Vandy Britton University of the Fraser Valley

James Nahachewsky University of Victoria – East Kootenay Teacher Education Program (via teleconference)

Susan Wilson Outgoing BCTC member

David Cusack Ministry of Education

Tyler Pantella Ministry of Education

Trevor Paul Ministry of Education

Public: Christine Stewart BC Teachers’ Federation

Rod Brown University of British Columbia

Tricia Stobbe Christian Educators of British Columbia

BCTC held an in-private discussion from 9:00 am to 9:40 am, moving out of private at 9:40 am to commence the meeting.
MOVING INTO PRIVATE

COOKE/BROADY
Motion: To move into private.  
CARRIED

MOVING OUT OF PRIVATE

BLAIR
Motion: To move out of private.  
CARRIED

The Chair, Jim Iker, called the meeting to order at 9:40 am.

INTRODUCTIONS

The Chair welcomed members of the public.

1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

Approval of Agenda

The Chair welcomed attendees and requested approval of the agenda. The Chair informed attendees that BCTC will be moving into private at approximately 1:20 pm for decision on # 7 Teacher Education Program Approval & Review Committee (TEPARC) report out; recommendation report to BCTC on the Vancouver Island University Bachelor of Education with secondary cohort.

BERTING/DIXON
Motion: That the agenda for June 7, 2019 be approved/approved as amended.  
CARRIED

2. DIALOGUE WITH COMMISSIONER FOR TEACHER REGULATION, HOWARD KUSHNER

The Chair introduced Commissioner Howard Kushner to dialogue with BCTC regarding the Regulatory Standards and the Discipline process and distributed the Commissioner’s 2017/18 Annual Report to members.
3. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The Chair invited the public to speak to BCTC. The Chair reminded attendees of their opportunity to review the agenda and provide comment on anything pertinent or of interest to them. Issues raised by the public may be referred to the Chair and Ministry staff for consideration.

No comments.

4. PROFESSIONAL AND CERTIFICATION STANDARDS REVIEW COMMITTEE (PCSSC) REPORT OUT

The Chair informed BCTC that the Minister of Education did not disallow the revised Professional Standards 1 and 2, the Professional Standards Preamble, or the Glossary of Terms. It was noted that there was now a complete set of revised Professional Standards to be communicated to the field.

The Chair reminded BCTC of the motion passed at the February meeting requesting that the Director of Certification create a draft set of realigned Certification Standards to address priority revisions to the format and content of the Certification Bylaws and Policies.

- Review of the Minister’s response to the Revised Professional Standards

The Chair requested motions as follows:

- BCTC make no further changes/edits to the Standards, Preamble or Glossary at this time.
- Notification to the field as soon as possible regarding the revised Professional Standards for BC Educators using the language proposed by the PCSSC.
- A Professional Standards for BC Educators package to be posted on the BCTC webpage.
- A FAQ document, including a comparison version of the Standards, to be posted on the BCTC webpage.

- Next steps with the Revised Professional Standards
- Review of the realigned Certification Standards (Bylaw 2 & Policy 2)
- Next steps with the Certification Standards review

VAN HUIZEN/ST. CLAIR
Motion: That BCTC adopt the Professional Standards, Preamble and Glossary as written. CARRIED

BROADY/VAN HUIZEN
Motion: That correspondence be sent via email next week to certificate holders, including LOP holders
teaching within the public system, along with education partners and others on the Professional Standards for BC Educators, Preamble and Glossary.

CARRIED

LONGRIDGE/COOKE
Motion: That the Professional Standards package be posted online.

CARRIED

BIR/BLAIR
Motion: To have an FAQ document, including a comparison version of the Standards, posted on the BCTC and Ministry of Education website.

CARRIED

HALL/BERTING
Motion: That the re-aligned Certification Standards be approved and forwarded to the Minister of Education for consideration.

CARRIED

5. STRUCTURED DIALOGUE REPORT OUT – Trinity Western University

The Chair informed BCTC that School of Education Dean, Allyson Jule, was available to answer questions and speak to the structured dialogue that occurred at TWU on February 6, 2019. BCTC members Hall and Iker provided their report out to BCTC.

6. TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM APPROVAL & REVIEW COMMITTEE (TEPARC) REPORT OUT

- Updates on the teacher education programs liaison work

- Recommendation report was provided to BCTC on the Vancouver Island University (VIU) Bachelor of Education program with a secondary cohort
MOVING INTO PRIVATE

Cooke/Dixon
Motion: To move into private.

CARRIED

MOVING OUT OF PRIVATE

Chrona
Motion: To move out of private.

CARRIED

Cooke/Dumont
Motion: To approve the proposal for changes to the VIU Bachelor of Education program.

CARRIED

7. STRUCTURED DIALOGUE REPORT OUT – University of the Fraser Valley

The Chair informed the BCTC that UFV Department Head, Vandy Britton, was available to answer questions and speak to the structured dialogue that occurred at UFV on April 3, 2019. BCTC members Cooke and Bir provided their report out to BCTC.

8. STRUCTURED DIALOGUE REPORT OUT – University of Victoria – East Kootenay Teacher Education Program

The Chair informed BCTC that the Associate Dean of Undergraduate Programs, James Nahachewsky, was available by teleconference to answer questions and speak to the structured dialogue that occurred at UVIC-EKTEP on May 1, 2019. BCTC members Kedves and Bir provided their report out to BCTC.
9. **BCTC WEBPAGE REVIEW/CONSIDERATION**

The Chair informed BCTC that the new webpage was live and requested feedback from BCTC. The Chair welcomed David Cusack, Tyler Pantella and Trevor Paul from the Ministry of Education Corporate Communications to present the webpage to the BCTC.

10. **TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM APPROVAL STANDARDS COMMITTEE (TEPASC) REPORT OUT**

The Chair reminded BCTC that a motion was passed at the February meeting requesting that the TEPASC reformat Policy 5.

- Approval of TEPASC workplan
- Review of realigned TEP Approval Standards (Policy 5)
- Next steps with TEP Approval Standards review

**DUMONT/CHRONA**

*Motion:* To approve and submit the realigned TEP Approval Standards for consideration.

CARRIED

**LONGRIDGE/HALL**

*Motion:* To approve the TEPASC workplan

CARRIED

**BROADY/COOKE**

*Motion:* To approve the revised TEPASC Terms of Reference

CARRIED

**HALL/KEDVES**

*Motion:* That the fall BCTC meeting dates will be October 10-11, 2019.

CARRIED

**LONGRIDGE/BERTING**

*Motion:* That the spring BCTC meeting dates will be February 27-28, 2020.

CARRIED
11. REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Chair reminded BCTC to ensure the accuracy of the minutes.

BROADY/DUMONT

Motion: To accept the Minutes.

CARRIED

12. ADJOURNMENT

DIXON/COOKE

Motion: That the Meeting of June 6, 2019 be adjourned.

CARRIED

Meeting Adjourned at 4:00 PM

It was noted that the meeting is open to the public and audio recorded.
Jim Iker, Chair

Shawn McMullin, Director of Professional Excellence and Outreach

Christine Ducharme & William Dare, Recording Secretaries