



# **APPROVED Minutes**

**REGULAR MEETING** Wednesday, June 23, 2021 4:00 - 6:00 pm **MS Teams** 

#### **Present**

# **Voting Members**

- 1. Andrea Kucherawy, Support Staff (Vice-Chair)
- 2. Bijan Ahmadi, Faculty (Chair)
- 3. Blair Fisher, Faculty
- 4. Chris Avis, Faculty
- 5. Debbie Hlady, Administration
- 6. Disha Khattry, Student
- 7. Janet Danks, Support Staff
- 8. Jennifer LeVecque, Faculty
- 9. Connie Klassen, ICC Chair

- 10. John Boraas, Administration
- 11. Puneet Kaur, Student
- 12. Mark Fournier, Faculty
- 13. Richard Stride, Administration
- 14. Ruth Lyall, Faculty
- 15. Ryan Russell, Faculty
- 16. Vivian Fayowski, Faculty
- 17. Robin Fast, Faculty

Non-Voting Members

Joanne Cumberland, Board of Governors Kimberly Eden, Temporary Secretary

Peter Moroney, Education Policy & Planning

**Guests:** 

Regrets/Absent:

Scott Harris, Administration Isabel Grondin, Faculty

Sherri Bell, President (regrets) Todd Ormiston, Indigenization Representative

**PRESENTER ITEM** 

Α. CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM Bijan Ahmadi

The regular meeting was called to order at 4:15 pm. Quorum was reached.

В. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COAST SALISH TERRITORY Bijan Ahmadi

Camosun College campuses are located on the traditional territories of the Lkwungen and <u>W</u>SÁNEĆ peoples. We acknowledge their welcome and graciousness to the students who

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seek knowledge here. < http://camosun.ca/learn/school/indigenous-education-community-connections/about/index.html>

#### C. SPECIAL MESSAGE

**Peter Moroney** 

There will be an opportunity to connect with Melody on Friday from 3-4:30 Mount Douglas Park.

#### **Motion:**

To recognize the value Melody Foreman has brought in her two years with Education Council, and to send her our best wishes

Moved by: Bijan Ahmadi Seconded by: Blair Fisher Motion Carries

### D. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

Bijan Ahmadi

The agenda for June 23, 2021 was approved by unanimous consent.

#### E. MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

Bijan Ahmadi

The minutes for the May 15, 2021 meeting were revised.

Although it was explicitly stated at the end of the meeting, the minutes do not currently reflect the 30 days notice given for the election that took place today.

#### **Motion:**

To approve the minutes of May 15, 2021 as noted above

Moved by: Puneet Kaur Seconded by: Janet Danks Motion Carries

#### F. REPORTS

#### 1. Education Council Chair

Bijan Ahmadi

We just had our special meeting where all of the incoming members and continuing members voted for their council chair (Bijan Ahmadi) and vice chair (Andrea Kucherawy)

Want to announce our new permanent secretary position has been filled. After posting and interviews, our new permanent secretary for EDCO in the Education Approvals Coordinator position is Andrea. She will start June 28. Congratulations to Andrea.

Members questioned whether Andrea can hold both positions? We are currently getting guidance. We've checked the bylaws and as far as we can

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determine there is nothing that precludes this. She won a seat as a CUPE member on council.

In terms of Vice chair – we haven't found any information that would preclude her from holding both positions.

If we do determine this is something that is not permitted – then we will call for new election for Vice-Chair.

2. VP Education John Boraas

John Boraas reported that we are doing a lot of work beginning to shift our thinking to our return to campus and wishes everyone a restful vacation.

Board Member Joanne Cumberland

- At the last board meeting we said good bye to departing board members and welcomed new student members
- Summer enrolments up above 2019 2020 levels
- Lots of discussion around how employees and students safely return to campus in the Fall
- Film studio we had \$150,000 for business plan and we've hired consultants and developed a steering committee
- Foundation report disbursed \$700,000- \$50,000 more than last year
- Audit committee audit done by KPMG clean audit opinion
- International enrolment for fall looking good
- President search moving along

This is Joanne Cumberland's final board report as we have a new liaison next year. Bijan offered thanks to Joanne for all her service to EDCO

#### G. COMMITTEE REPORTS

# **Education Council Policy and Standards Committee**

Pete Moroney reported that the committee met on June 16 and it was the last one scheduled for this academic year

- First item was Grading Policy which has been to EDCO previously
- It needed more consultation specifically around the section about timelines of the submission of final grades
- Exams policy new piece of policy work underway came out of PLA Policy

   identified a loop hole that allows students to use PLA to be re-evaluated
   for a course they may have failed
  - Seen as a way to recover from a fail
  - Concerned if we close that loophole it going to create problems downstream so we've a request, largely from deans, to have an exams policy exams re-write policy to put in place procedures and options for students who might fail on a final exam we will bring this back to EDCO once we've gone through the consultation process

**Peter Moroney** 

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#### H. INTEGRATED CURRICULUM COMMITTEE REPORT

**Connie Klassen** 

Presented the submission for Basic English as a Second Language and English for Academic Purposes. Both have received full approval for 2022F

#### **Motion:**

Be it so moved that Education Council approves changes to the following curriculum:

BESL EAP

> Moved by: John Boraas Seconded by: Chris Avis Motion Carries

# I. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

**Peter Moroney** 

# **Grades Policy**

- The major change is: the policy currently says that students are to have their grades within 3 working days after the end of the final exam period
- There have been discussions around what the number of days should be and when that clock starts
- Was written: before end of final exam period now written after submission deadline
- Moving to 5 days is more reasonable

## Comments from Council members included:

- There needs to be some awareness around holiday/school breaks ie: if an
  exam is given on Dec 21 the faculty member wouldn't have to submit marks
  until January for courses ending in December. This will disadvantage
  students who need to register for the next course.
- Without it being clear in policy deans can't guide faculty to change evaluation dates
- Need prescriptive piece in the policy

Motion Withdrawn, and policy returned to the Committee.

#### J. THANK YOU AND GOODBYE

Bijan Ahmadi

Thanks and appreciation were given to outgoing Education Council members

Isabel Grondin Chris Avis Jennifer LeVecque

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	Janet Danks	
	Robin Fast	
	Vivian Fayowski	
	Joanne Cumberland	
	Puneet Kaur	
K.	ADJOURNMENT	Bijan Ahmadi
	The meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm.	