



Education Council

Ensuring that our students are provided with quality educational experiences

APPROVED Minutes

REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, Sept 20, 2023

4:00 - 6:00 pm

P216, LACC 321, MS Teams

Present

Voting Members

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| 1. Andrea Kucherawy, Support Staff (Vice-Chair) | 7. Mark Fournier, Faculty |
| 2. Bijan Ahmadi, Faculty (Chair) | 8. Nicholas Read, Faculty |
| 3. Blair Fisher, Faculty | 9. Richard Stride, Administration |
| 4. Edgar Nelson, Faculty | 10. Ritika, Student |
| 5. John Boraas, Administration | 11. Ryan Russell, Faculty |
| 6. Lois Fernyhough, Faculty | 12. Tia Primrose, Support Staff |

Non-Voting Members

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| Heather Del Villano, Interim ICC Chair | Lane Trotter, President |
| Peter Moroney, Education Policy & Planning | TBA, Indigenization Coordinator |
| Dr. Monty Bryant, Board of Governors | |

Guests:

Rashed Al-Haque, Education Policy Specialist; Sarah-Joy Kallos, Co-op Internship Coordinator;
Alexis Martfeld, A&S, Faculty

Regrets/Absent: Debbie Hlady, Scott Harris, Derek Murray

ITEM	PRESENTER
<p>A. CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM</p> <p>The regular meeting was called to order at 4:04 pm. Quorum was reached.</p>	Bijan Ahmadi
<p>B. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COAST SALISH TERRITORY</p> <p><i>Camosun College campuses are located on the traditional territories of the Lək̓ʷəŋən and WSÁNEĆ peoples. We acknowledge their welcome and graciousness to the students who seek knowledge here. <http://camosun.ca/learn/school/indigenous-education-community-connections/about/index.html></i></p>	Bijan Ahmadi
<p>C. CHECK-IN</p> <p>Bijan welcomed the Council and guests to the meeting, noting that Council membership is close to being full. He called on everyone to introduce themselves for the benefit of the new members and guests.</p>	Bijan Ahmadi

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D. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA	Bijan Ahmadi
The agenda for Sept 20, 2023 was approved by unanimous consent.	
E. MINUTES FOR APPROVAL	Bijan Ahmadi
The minutes for the June 21, 2023 special and regular meetings were approved by unanimous consent (with corrections to attendees in the regular meeting).	
F. REPORTS	
1. Education Council Chair	Bijan Ahmadi
Bijan recognized the new members, guests, and Monty Bryant (Board member liaison). He announced the EdCo by-election and that there are two faculty and three student positions still open. The nomination period is open from September 20 – October 3, with a voting period of 23-25 of October, and new members joining council at the November meeting. He encouraged those interested to contact the elections group and nominate themselves. Those who are seeking more information can contact Bijan or Andrea.	
2. VP Education	John Boraas
John spoke about his title change (Provost) and how it reflects the importance of the education that is delivered and uplifting the place of education at the College. He also informed the Council of Connie’s leave of absence, and that Heather DeVillano has been asked to take on the ICC Chair position for this year. He thanked Heather and indicated that if anyone had any questions that they could email him.	
3. Board Member	Dr. Monty Bryant
Monty reported that the Board had two meetings. One was an open office meeting for the two new student members, Logan Hudson and Jagjeet Singh. The Board passed revisions to the Sexual Violence Policy and passed the Five-Year Capital Plan. He informed the Council that last year’s \$145 million project costs for Lansdowne student housing are now \$218 million, and the government has a certain amount of money to contribute. The Board is continuing to work closely with them, and they are optimistic it is going well. We are looking at housing for 400 students and are hoping to have an announcement in late fall or early in the new year. The other capital plan items are the technology/computer expansion for \$21.4 million; the Young Building revitalization for \$180 million; CBA and Tech roof and envelope, the Liz Ashton curtain wall and envelope/paved linear infrastructure; Interurban student housing and Culinary Arts Centre upgrades.	
The Board also approved the government required Financial Information Act report. The Board Oversight Cybersecurity Risk Management audit committee is being renamed to Audit and Risk Management. Two Board members will be attending a forum in Vancouver on Oct. 5. There is a remote option for others to attend if interested.	

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<p>Lane spoke about the Future Ready Plan, a \$1.4 billion government surplus which would fund short term courses. Camosun has 64 future skills courses, the highest in BC.</p>	
G. COMMITTEE REPORTS	
<p>Education Council Policy and Standards Committee</p> <p>Pete reported that the committee’s first meeting of the academic year is on October 6. Current membership, the purpose of the Committee and what entails was discussed. An open invitation was extended for more members and/or guest observers and to contact him if interested.</p>	Peter Moroney
H. INTEGRATED CURRICULUM COMMITTEE REPORT	
<p>Heather reported that the Committee is off to a running start and has already had two meetings (one regular and one carry-over). There are two new Faculty Curriculum Leads (Access and Business), with hopes for an FCL from HHS. She provided an overview of the curriculum under review, including the Environmental Technology diploma which will hopefully be brought forth in October’s EdCo for approval.</p>	
I. ITEMS FOR PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION	
<p>Draft Academic Concessions initial policy consultation</p> <p>Rashed provided background and an overview of the draft Academic Concessions policy and the Academic Concessions Request Form.</p> <p>Members provided feedback and discussion points. Rashed will bring these suggestions back to Policy & Standards for further review. Next steps include a legal review of the policy, and it will be posted online for college-wide feedback. He is hoping to be able to bring this back to EdCo for approval near the end of the term so that it can be ready for the start of 2024.</p>	Rashed Al-Haque
<p>EdCo Members Welcome/Orientation</p> <p>Bijan provided a welcome orientation for new and current members.</p> <p>The EdCo Members’ Guidebook and welcome orientation are posted on the EdCo SharePoint.</p> <p>Bijan encouraged Council members to reach out to him with any questions, points, or concerns.</p>	Bijan Ahmadi
J. ADJOURNMENT	
<p>The meeting adjourned at 5:45 pm.</p>	