

The EDUCATION COUNCIL
 Special Meeting minutes – April 21, 2020
 Via Zoom

P = Present - A= Absent

In Attendance:

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T. Ballam
 D. Falkenhagen
 K. Gear
 C. Gotta
 S. Lachthaler
 T. Clarke
 T. Larsen
 I. Parfitt

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P. Pastor
 J. Vanderhoek
 K. Martin
 R. Fayant
 J. O’Meara
 Y. Monroe
 B. Olsen

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K. Pham
 R. Andrews
 T. Snauwaert
 D. Feldman
 T. Whitehead
 A. Graeme
 J. Kincaid
 N. Makortoff (recorder)

Guests:

Danny Beatty

4a Motion for consideration by Education Council

“Education Council approve, on an interim basis for the Fall 2020, Winter 2021, and if required Spring 2021 semesters, the acceptance of Duolingo English Proficiency test results from applicants attempting to demonstrate they possess the English language proficiency levels required to meet College and Program admission requirements.”

CARRIED

IELTS has been used as the primary source for testing English Proficiency. At this time this source cannot be used as IELTS testing is face-to-face. We are looking at an alternative online solution. The only online alternative we are aware of at this time is to use Duolingo’s English Test (<https://englishtest.duolingo.com/>). This option has been approved for use at many Canadian Institutions already. Some Study Direct Stream countries will not accept this option at this time. This option will only be made available to students who are applying to the Fall 2020, Winter 2021, and Spring 2021 terms.