

EDUCATION COUNCIL
Minutes – March 9, 2021
 4:00 pm, Zoom meeting

P = Present - A= Absent

In Attendance:

P	T. Ballam	A	P. Pastor	A	V. Wadhwa
A	D. Falkenhagen (1 st Vice Chair)	P	J. Vanderhoek	P	R. Andrews
P	K. Gear	P	P. Caldwell	P	T. Punched
P	C. Gotta	P	C. Ridge	P	T. Snauwaert
P	S. Lechthaler	P	J. Long	P	T. Whitehead
P	T. Clarke	P	V. Khurana	P	A. Graeme
P	T. Larsen (2 nd Vice Chair)	P	J. Nagpal	P	J. O'Meara
P	I. Parfitt (Chair)	A	S. Singh	P	N. Makortoff (recorder)

Guests:

Dianne Binn

Call to order and welcome

Meeting was called to order at 4:02 pm.

1 Territorial Acknowledgment

Selkirk College acknowledges our respect for and deep gratitude to the First Nations of the West Kootenay and Boundary Regions: the Sinixt (Lakes), the Syilx (Okanagan), the Ktunaxa, and the Secwepemc (Shuswap) peoples on whose traditional territories we are honoured to operate.

2 Approval of Agenda of 2021-03-09

Approved as presented.

CARRIED

3 Approval of Minutes of 2020-01-12

Approved as presented.

CARRIED

4a Updates

Information

SmartCatalog

Quick walkthrough of what the system looks like

On track to use this new system for the Spring 2021 Term course outlines

Elections

There will be elections coming up this spring. All of the SCFA and BCGEU positions are up for re-election. Notice of this will be sent out in April and the elections will take place in May.

How will we continue to meet in the Fall? Potentially there will be both in-person and virtual meetings. Or both at the same time (Hybrid model). How do we advertise a hybrid model to create a diverse representation?

4b Membership Engagement

Information

Suggestion was made to create a short video of what each committee does.

5	Past Action Items, Approval in Principle, and Items that need further consideration document	Information
	The DFAB course outlines will be provided as soon as possible.	
6	Standing Committee Reports	
	A Admissions and Standards (A&S)	
	1 Draft minutes of 2021-02-23 were submitted for information.	Information
	B Curriculum Committee (CC)	
	1 Approved minutes of 2021-01-29 and draft minutes of 2021-02-26 were submitted for information and required motions	Information
	2 <i>"Pursuant to the CIA Section 24(2)(f), and Board delegation document of March 22, 2016, Education Council approves the changes to the Academic Upgrading and Development courses."</i>	CARRIED
	<p>ENGL 10 English – Intermediate Level ENGL 50 English – Advanced Level ENGL 66 Essential English – Provincial Level GEOG 60 Geography – Provincial Level</p> <p>These courses have had changes made to the learning outcomes. It is noted that the final exam must be passed in order to pass the course. Is this a necessary? Cari-Ann will look into this. The Articulation Handbook link has the incorrect year. Update to the most current version.</p>	
	3 <i>"Pursuant to the CIA Section 24(2)(f), and Board delegation document of March 22, 2016, Education Council approves in principle the new Engineering courses subject to program policy being updated with graduation requirements and including the TWC as an elective course."</i>	CARRIED
	<p>ENGR 100 Engineering Design and Communication I ENGR 101 Engineering Design and Communication II TWC 130 Technical Writing and Communications</p> <p>The program policy will be updated with the new graduation requirements and sent to A&S for review before coming to EdCo for final approval.</p>	
	4 <i>"Pursuant to the CIA Section 24(2)(f), and Board delegation document of March 22, 2016, Education Council approves the changes to the Business Program course prerequisites."</i>	CARRIED
	<p>Business Administration courses Post Graduation Diploma in Accounting courses Post Graduation in Business Management courses</p> <p>Make sure that all of the courses that are not Business courses have the correct prerequisite listed. The program is not changing the high school course prerequisites.</p>	
	C Policy Review Committee (PRC)	
	1 Approved minutes of 2021-01-20 and draft minutes of 2021-02-18 were submitted for information	Information

D Indigenization Committee

1 Draft minutes of 2021-02-08 were submitted for information. Information

7 Unfinished Business

A No unfinished business to discuss at this meeting

8 New Business

A Striking of By-law Review Task Force

“Education Council moves to strike a By-Law Review Task Force.”

There is already a Bylaw Task Force. This Task Force was created in May of 2020.

9 Reports

A EdCo Chair Report (*verbal report*)

Information

Attending Standing committee meetings. There are many policies that are being updated. All are being looked at through EDI, Indigenous, and Accessibility lenses.

B VP Education Report (*submitted*)

Information

A letter from the Provincial Health Officer was shared that included Go Forward Guidelines. We are looking at more in-person classes to be offered in the Fall. We still do not have all of the details but will provide them as they become available. The Spring 2021 term will go forward with online or remote delivery.

Ancillary Services have their own guidelines.

Vaccinations will be taking place at the Selkirk College Castlegar and Tenth Street campuses.

Students are already asking about the Fall term. What do we tell them? There is some panic happening with students about a recent posting that announced that we are planning to return to in-person delivery in the Fall. A communication will be created to send to students to let them know about some of the plans for the fall and to let them know that as more details are provided they will be shared with them.

For information – the TESOL program will be suspended for the Fall 2021 term.

D Fulcrum Report (*verbal report*)

Information

No meeting.

10 Self-Assessments

A Self-assessments were not discussed at this meeting.

Information

11 Adjournment

Next meeting May 11, 2021 at 4:00 pm via Zoom meetings.