

EDUCATION COUNCIL

Minutes - March 8, 2022

4:00 pm, Hybrid (in-person and on zoom) meeting

P = Present - A= Absent In Attendance: D. Falkenhagen (1st Vice Chair) K. Pham Р K. Webb J. Ible R. Andrews Ρ S. Lechthaler (Chair) P. Caldwell T. Punchard (2nd Vice Chair) Α Ρ Α R. Mitz C. Ridge T. Snauwaert Α L. Williams D. Drover Ρ T. Whitehead T. Clarke Р A. Graeme M. Ferrer Α T. Larsen H. Vardhan B. Albano (Registrar) Ρ R. MacQuarrie N. Makortoff (recorder)

Guests:

Call to order and welcome

Meeting was called to order at 4:03 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 2021-03-08

CARRIED

Approved as amended. Item 6 C 2 was deferred to a future meeting.

3 Approval of Minutes of 2022-02-08

CARRIED

Approved as presented.

4a Updates Information

There was an update on the progress of Policy 1000 Policy Development Process. This policy will be looked at by the working group on March 9th. Potentially the draft version will be available to share with PRC at their March 16th meeting.

There are 3 lenses that are being looked through in the development of this policy: Decolonization, EDI, and Trauma Informed.

The housing and transportation issues were brought up. There was a task group looking into this and this group will be brought back to revisit this. Transit might be expanding services. This still needs to be confirmed. If anyone has some ideas on how to mitigate the housing shortage and increase transit services please pass this information on to the task group.

4b Membership Engagement

The Buddy Groups list was shared with the members.



5 Past Action Items, Approval in Principle, and Items that need further consideration document

Information

Policy 8100 working group is working on completing the workflow diagrams and preparing a draft version of the policy to bring to EdCo. The goal is to try and bring some items to the April EdCo meeting.

6 Standing Committee Reports

A Admissions and Standards (A&S)

1 No meeting in February

Information

B Curriculum Committee (CC)

1 No meeting in February

Information

C Policy Review Committee (PRC)

1 Draft minutes of 2022-02-16 were submitted for information.

Information

D Indigenization Committee

1 Draft minutes of 2022-02-16 were submitted for information.

Information

7 Unfinished Business

A No unfinished business

8 New Business

"Pursuant to the CIA Section 23(1)(b), and Board delegation document of March 22, 2016, Education Council approves the Approval in Principle request for new Practical Nurse Program." **CARRIED**

The start date for this program is January 2023.

There is already a provincial curriculum in place for this program.

Notice of intent has already been placed.

Practice partners were contacted to confirm that there are placements for 680 hours of practicum.

With a January start the students could potentially use the Fall term for upgrading if needed.

Program and Course outcomes will come from the provincial guide.

Admission options could be explored with students who are unsure.

Course design will begin in the next few months. The curriculum will come from the provincial curriculum guide. The guide also has suggestions for teaching and learning approaches. The courses will be new.

This program will run over 5 terms. It will be a cohort program. From the start it will be run every other year. We do not want to overburden the practice partners.

The Pharmacy Technician program is working on some agreements with CNC and VIU. The agreements include language that says the theory part of the program will be delivered by Selkirk College and then the students could choose to do the lab portion at Selkirk College or at one of these other institutions.

Information

Paths could look like this:

2022 start at Selkirk College, 2023 labs here and at VIU, 2024 labs here, at VIU and at CNC. There will be more information to come as the agreements get finalized. The Program is not changing in any way. Just creating partnerships to potentially make things easier on students.



3 "Pursuant to the CIA Section 19(1)(e), and Board delegation document of March 22, 2016, Education Council has reviewed that Policy has been followed and recommends that the Selkirk College Board of Governors cancel the Blacksmithing, Casting, and Sculptural Metal Certificate Programs."

CARRIED

These programs went through a Level 3 program review and many consultations took place before the decision was made to cancel these programs.

Students in the current programs will finish this term. Why cancelation and not suspension? At this time there are no plans to offer these programs again. But we still will retain all of the equipment so if in the future something changes we can decide then if these programs should be offered again in some way.

There will be a new 8-month program created. Through the review and consultations, we found that the Blacksmithing option is more in demand. The new program will be called Blacksmithing and Metal Arts.

9 Reports

A VP Education Report (submitted)

Information

International students will still be learning online in the Spring term. There are difficulties getting study visas. We are working within PHO guidelines. QAPA recommended to have Level 3 program reviews completed every 7 years instead of 5.

Participating in an Animal Care accreditation virtual tour.

Both the HCA and the ECCE programs have more seats available as more funding became available.

Piloting some micro credential programs. This credential will be added to the credential framework.

B Systems Review Task Force – Terms of Reference

CARRIED

"As per the EdCo Bylaws, EdCo approves the Systems Review Task Force Terms of Reference."

C Striking of an EdCo By-law Review Task Force

CARRIED

"Education Council moves to strike an EdCo By-Law Review Task Force." Members of this committee are: Taya, Darcy, Justin, and Sarah

D EdCo Chair Report (submitted)

10 Adjournment

Next meeting April 12, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. in-person in the Staff Lounge (Castlegar Campus) and on Zoom meetings. This will be a joint meeting with the Board of Governors.