

Associate Dean's External Advisory Committee - Teacher Education

Terms of Reference July 2015

Preamble:

The Associate Dean's External Advisory Committee is an advisory committee to the Associate Dean of Teacher Education and its stakeholders. The committee meets once or twice per year. Length of service is unrestricted.

Mandate:

This external advisory committee serves the Faculty by providing a forum for faculty members to interact with members of the teaching profession in an effort to understand the needs and activities of the Faculty and the profession at large.

Objectives:

- Provide a venue for the Associate Dean to share ongoing developments, ideas and challenges within the BEd program with members of the profession,
- Provide a venue for members of the profession to share ongoing professional engagements, questions and/or concerns with the Faculty of Education,
- Provide advice to the Associate Dean regarding program directions.

Deliverables:

- Communication between the Faculty and members of the profession,
- Involvement of members of the profession in advocating for Faculty of Education programs and giving feedback about those programs, considering challenges, etc.,
- Response to new initiatives and emerging needs in the field,
- Improved understanding about the complexity of program delivery and evolution,
- Alignment of program delivery, where possible, to new directions in the field.

Composition:

- 4 departmental representatives who are instructors in the BEd program,
- 1 representative of the Faculty's Indigenous community,
- 2 teacher representatives (ideally a recent graduate of UBC's BEd program),
- 1 to 2 school or district administrator/s,
- up to 3 invited guests who are education community partners, including representatives from the Ministry of Education or Advanced Education, Teacher Regulation Branch, BC Teachers Federation and/or Community Field Experience partners.

At least one member of the Associate Dean's External Advisory Committee, in addition to TEO faculty, also serves on the Teacher Education Advisory Committee (TEAC).