



## Meeting Minutes

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### TEAC - Teacher Education Advisory Committee

Thursday, November 24, 2022

Teacher Education Office - Room T101.

1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

**Attendees:** Karen Ragoonaden (Chair, TEO), Surita Jhangiani (ECPS), Melanie Wong (LLED), Kyle Hamilton (OSE), Cynthia Nicol (EDCP), Naomi Narcisse (NITEP), John Yamamoto (TEO)

**Regrets:** Hartej Gill (EDST), Maddy Angus (Recorder)

1. **Welcome**
2. **Land Acknowledgement** - Karen Ragoonaden
3. **Approval of agenda**  
*The agenda was approved as circulated.*
4. **Review of meeting minutes from October 27, 2022**  
*The October 27, 2022 minutes were approved as circulated*
5. **Business Arising from minutes**
  - TEAC Terms of Reference have been approved and will be updated on the website
  - Question regarding future scheduling of TEAC meetings
6. **Office of Indigenous Education Updates**
  - Recognizing the BEd awards ceremony this week; 185+ people participating, great turnout, lots of NITEP representation, especially guest speaker Bailey Johnson
  - Alexis noted that the information session (to secondary students) in the northern BC Centre in Prince George was well attended with about 50-60 students
  - There is interest in (Indigenous) language learners to use 30 credits of Language Diploma to ladder into a Teacher Education program - the interest is to look at new and/or different pathways for [additional] accreditation for these individuals
  - The Senior Advisor Indigenous, the Office of Indigenous Education and TEO will be meeting with the TQS to discuss this issue
  - Checked in with Holly Poell in Bella Coola; students just completed their 2-week practicum and are pushing through their program
  - 2 students from Bella Coola coming down to Vancouver this week for the make-up graduation ceremonies



## 7. Teacher Education Office Updates

- Maintenance Review completed this week
  - incredibly busy schedule for this review
  - Conversations were held and overall the PAT committee seemed to have a positive reaction
- Looking into internal conversations about possible revisions and/or changes to the existing Teacher Education Program
  - using past reviews and structured dialogues as a general guide
- Meetings with EDCP and EDST to discuss changes in secondary models: History and Music

## 8. Department Updates

- **Educational and Counselling Psychology, and Special Education (ECPS)**
  - No updates
- **Language & Literacy Education (LLED)**
  - Met with LLED 351 instructor team, getting ready for Term 2
- **Department of Curriculum & Pedagogy (EDCP)**
  - No major updates
    - Graduation was very enjoyable
    - Working hard on potential changes to the program
    - Currently working on course confirmation for IRP
- **Department of Educational Studies (EDST)**
  - No report (Hartej not available)
- **Okanagan School of Education (OSE)**
  - Still working with NITEP on getting a pathway for students to get admitted to the BEd at OSE
  - NITEP 90 credits; OSE requires 120 credits
  - The proposal is prepared and ready for Senate, and will hopefully be submitted next week
  - BCTC structured dialogue on November 25, 2022
  - BC TEP Field/Practicum coordinators met on November 24 - one issue that came up was teacher candidates continuing to be used by districts as TOCs; demand/pressure is incredible, but this cannot continue to be done

## 9. Review of TEAC minutes 2021-2022

- Discussions about pilot programming -
- need to be flexible with how the current TEP is offered, so that creativity can be welcomed and pilots can be attempted



- John will be meeting with Scott Goble (Music) and Andrea Webb/Lindsay Gibson (SS) to discuss possible changes/revisions in the secondary program
- need passionate people who are willing to be creative
- Need a structure for how to propose and/or implement possible changes to the existing TEP
- Smaller scale changes ('tweaks') to start, which will avoid the need to go through CCASA/Senate, with CAT 1 and/or CAT 2 changes

#### 10. New Business

- Online courses; 6-9 credits (Melanie)
  - Is there a possibility of offering online courses in the summer term
  - It is difficult for many reasons for students to come back in the summer
  - It might be a good opportunity for UBC to offer this type of option
- The recent decision to allow VIU some online coursework may have some bearing on whether the BCTC would be amenable to this possibility
- Need to put together a proposal to the BCTC for permission to do this, with an explicit rationale as to why this should be permitted

#### 11. Adjournment

- *Meeting adjourned at 2:11 PM*

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 19, 2022, @ 11:00 am - 12:30 pm**