
**Minutes of the Eighty-First Council Meeting – 10-11 December 2020
Via videoconference**

Council

Present: Dietmar Kennepohl (Co-Chair), Gayla Rogers (Co-Chair), Gurston Dacks, Jeff Goldberg, Paul Gooch, Annie Prud'homme-Généreux, Gord Nixon, John Stubbs, Lynn Taylor

Absent: Arlette Zinck

Secretariat Guy Germain (Director), Alex Makar (Research Officer)

Guests Kim Brockhoff (for agenda item 1 only – via videoconference)
Tim Heath, William Hanson, Kate McGovern (for agenda item 3 only – via videoconference)
Paul Gaudette (for agenda item 4 only – via videoconference)

Members were welcomed to the eighty-first meeting of the Campus Alberta Quality Council.

1. Greetings from Kim Brockhoff, new Executive Director

Kim Brockhoff, the new Executive Director of the sector to which the Secretariat reports, joined the beginning of the meeting to bring greetings to Council. Members introduced themselves and a brief question and answer period followed.

2. Approval of minutes – 15, 16, 19 June 2020 / 1-2 October 2020 / 26 November 2020

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the 15, 16, 19 June 2020 minutes be adopted, as amended.

CARRIED

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the 1-2 October 2020 minutes be adopted.

CARRIED

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the 26 November 2020 minutes be adopted, as amended.

CARRIED

3. Concordia University of Edmonton – continued consideration of a proposal for a Doctor of Psychology

Concordia University of Edmonton is seeking approval to offer a new Doctor of Psychology program. At the June 2018 meeting, Council initially considered the program evaluation team report and the University's response to it. Members had agreed to continue discussion of the University's degree program at a subsequent meeting once two key requirements were met by the institution.

After reviewing the additional information provided, informed by a previous in-depth review by Council's Proposal Review Standing Committee, it was MOVED and SECONDED that Council recommend that the Minister of Advanced Education approve Concordia University's Doctor of Psychology program.

CARRIED

Members AGREED to the issues to be addressed in the outcomes letter to the institution, including Council's expectations with respect to monitoring.

4. Discussion with Paul Gaudette (Post-secondary Programs) on baccalaureates with an applied focus

Paul Gaudette, Director of the Post-secondary Programs branch, joined the meeting to continue discussion of baccalaureates with an applied focus, and how the ministry and CAQC might transition the existing older applied degrees that have never been reviewed by Council.

5. CAQC Chair and Secretariat report

The Co-Chairs and Secretariat Director reviewed their report and responded to members' questions of clarification.

5. Committees

(a) Proposal Review Standing Committee

The Proposal Review Standing Committee reported it had taken the following actions on behalf of Council since the previous meeting agenda update:

- with respect to Lakeland College's Bachelor of Applied Science (Agriculture Technology) proposal, reviewed the College's revised submission and revised response to the evaluation team report in preparation for subsequent discussion at Council.
- with respect to Mount Royal University's Bachelor of Social Work proposal, reviewed the proposal, the evaluation team report, and the University's response in preparation for subsequent discussion at Council.
- with respect to Concordia University of Edmonton's Doctor of Psychology proposal, reviewed the University's updated response plan in preparation for subsequent discussion at Council.
- began consideration of a request from the University of Calgary for a fully expedited review of its proposal for a Master of Precision Health program.
- after reviewing further information it had received from the institution, agreed to a request from Grant MacEwan University for a fully expedited review of its proposal for a 4-year Bachelor of Fine Arts (Arts and Cultural Management, Music Theatre Performance, Studio Arts, Theatre Production) program and, after conducting a desk review, agreed to recommend to the Minister that he approve the program.
- after reviewing further information it had received from the institution, agreed to a request from The King's University for a fully expedited review of its proposal for a 4-year Bachelor of Science (Interdisciplinary Science) program and, after conducting a desk review, agreed to recommend to the Minister that he approve the program. The program was subsequently approved.

(b) Monitoring Standing Committee

The Monitoring Standing Committee reported it had taken the following actions on behalf of Council since the previous meeting agenda update:

- after reviewing an implementation update from Yukon University regarding its 4-year Bachelor of Business Administration program, conveyed its observations in a feedback letter.
- after concluding its consideration of the results of St. Mary's University's cyclical review results of its 3-year and 4-year Bachelor of Arts (Psychology) programs, conveyed its observations in a feedback letter.
- after concluding its consideration of the results of Burman University's cyclical review results of its 4-year Bachelor of Music and 3-year and 4-year Bachelor of Arts (Music) programs, conveyed its observations in a feedback letter.
- after concluding its consideration of the results of Concordia University of Edmonton's cyclical review results of its 4-year Bachelor of Management program, conveyed its observations in a feedback letter.
- after concluding its consideration of the results of Concordia University of Edmonton's cyclical review results of its Master of Information Systems Security Management and Master of Information Systems Assurance Management programs, conveyed its observations in a feedback letter.
- began its consideration of 2018/19 annual report follow-up information from Cape Breton University.

7. Follow-up

Members discussed proposed changes to its criteria for nominating reviewers, and engaged in member transition planning.

After reviewing revised wording regarding Council's Organizational Evaluations and Comprehensive Evaluations, it was MOVED and SECONDED that changes to s. 3.2 and 5.2 of the *Handbook* be adopted.

CARRIED

After reviewing how Council will now conduct its annual reporting process, it was MOVED and SECONDED that changes to s. 5.3.2 of the *Handbook* be adopted.

CARRIED

The next meeting of Council is scheduled for 11-12 March 2021.