
**Minutes of the Eighty-Eighth Council Meeting – 20-21 September 2021
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, Arlette Zinck

Secretariat Paul Gaudette (Director), Guy Germain (Senior Manager), Alex Makar (Coordinator), Robert Rock (Manager)

Guests Sarah Eaton (for agenda item 4 only – via videoconference)

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

1. Approval of minutes – 21-22 June 2021 / 2 September 2021

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the 21-22 June 2021 minutes be adopted.

CARRIED

It was MOVED and SECONDED that the 2 September 2021 minutes be adopted.

CARRIED

2. CAQC Chair and Secretariat report

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

3. Looking back and looking forward

Members reflected on Council's achievements and challenges it has faced over the past year as well as future opportunities. During the discussion, members considered the feedback it solicits from evaluators and applicant institutions following each external review. They noted the generally positive comments and identified possible refinements to Council's processes, documents, and advice to institutions to address the few areas identified for improvement. Council also discussed membership and transition planning, and each member reaffirmed the Member Code of Conduct.

4. Discussion with Sarah Eaton on academic integrity and contract cheating

At Council's invitation, Dr. Sarah Eaton, Associate Professor and Chair, Leadership, Policy, and Governance Specialization at the University of Calgary, met with Council to discuss the role of quality assurance in upholding and enacting academic integrity in higher education. As preparation, Dr. Eaton was provided with the current references to academic integrity in Council's *Handbook*, and discussion ensued as to how the *Handbook* might be augmented.

5. Follow-up

Members discussed a document drafted by the Ministry that would assist new degree granting institutions applying for the first time to offer a degree in Alberta, and offered suggestions for improvement prior to its dissemination.

Members received for information implementation reporting for newly approved degree programs at Concordia University of Edmonton, The King's University, Lakeland College, Lethbridge College, Mount Royal University, Red Deer Polytechnic, and the University of Calgary.

6. 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:

- after reviewing a request from MacEwan University to change the name of its 4-yr Bachelor of Music in Jazz and Contemporary Popular Music to Bachelor of Music, provided its feedback to the Ministry. The name change was subsequently approved.
- with respect to Red Deer College's proposal for a 4-year Bachelor of Education, completed its review in preparation for subsequent discussion at Council.
- after reviewing a request from Lethbridge College to change the name of its 4-yr Bachelor of Applied Science in Ecosystem Management to Bachelor of Ecosystem Management, provided its feedback to the Ministry. The name change was subsequently approved.
- after reviewing further information it had received from the institution, agreed to a request from the University of Northern British Columbia for a fully expedited review of its proposal for a Master of Business Administration 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 concluding its consideration of the results of Concordia University of Edmonton's cyclical review of its 3-year Bachelor of Science (Environmental Science) and 4-year Bachelor of Science (Environmental Science) programs, conveyed its observations in a feedback letter.
- after concluding its review of the Alberta supplementary review report for Cape Breton University's Master of Business Administration in Community Economic Development program, conveyed its observations in a feedback letter.
- after concluding its consideration of the results of The King's University's cyclical review of its 4-year Bachelor of Arts (Environmental Studies) and 4-year Bachelor of Science (Environmental Studies) programs, conveyed its observations in a feedback letter.
- after concluding its consideration of the results of The King's University's cyclical review of its 3-year Bachelor of Arts (Music), 4-year Bachelor of Arts (Music), and 4-year Bachelor of Music programs, conveyed its observations in a feedback letter.
- after concluding its consideration of the results of Ambrose University's cyclical review of its 3-year Bachelor of Arts (Behavioural Science) and 4-year Bachelor of Arts (Behavioural Science) programs, conveyed its observations in a feedback letter.

- after concluding its consideration of the results of Ambrose University's cyclical review of its 3-year Bachelor of Arts (Christian Studies) and 4-year Bachelor of Arts (Christian Studies) programs, conveyed its observations in a feedback letter.
- after concluding its consideration of the results of Mount Royal University's cyclical review of its 4-year Bachelor of Child Studies (Child and Youth Care Counsellor) program, conveyed its observations in a feedback letter.
- after concluding its consideration of the results of Mount Royal University's cyclical review of its 4-year Bachelor of Nursing program, conveyed its observations in a feedback letter.
- after concluding its consideration of the results of Ambrose University's cyclical review of its 3-year Bachelor of Arts (General Studies) program, conveyed its observations in a feedback letter.
- after concluding its consideration of the results of MacEwan University's cyclical review of its 4-year Bachelor of Commerce (7 majors) program, conveyed its observations in a feedback letter.
- after concluding its consideration of the results of Mount Royal University's cyclical review of its 4-year Bachelor of Health and Physical Education (Ecotourism and Outdoor Leadership) program, conveyed its observations in a feedback letter.
- after concluding its consideration of the results of Ambrose University's cyclical review of its 3-year Bachelor of Arts (English) and 4-year Bachelor of Arts (English) programs, conveyed its observations in a feedback letter.
- after concluding its consideration of the results of Mount Royal University's cyclical review of its 4-year Bachelor of Health and Physical Education (Athletic Therapy) program, conveyed its observations in a feedback letter.

The next meeting of Council is scheduled for 1 November 2021.