Piping Articulation Meeting 2021- Draft

Meeting Date:	June 22, 2021
Location:	Camosun College (Online)
Meeting Time:	8:30am – 12:00pm
Committee Chair:	Darren Vaux
Recording Secretary:	Dibya Shrestha

Participants:	Brad Oliver (Okanagan), Eric Bradbury (X), Mick Bryant (BCIT), Jack Morris (College of Rockies), Nick Charette (NIC), Pete Arkestyn + 3 (TRU), Rod Lidstone (Camosun), Troy Werrell (New Caledonia), Mike Vallee (X), Will Schwarz (UAE), Rodney Smith (University of Fraser Valley)
Regrets:	
Guests:	Chris Bey (ITA); Rick Vanier, Ryan Milligan, Marisa Mihailoff (Technical
	Safety BC), Tim Carson (BC Campus)

Administration

Item No.	Discussion & Actions
1.1	Welcome/Introductions Participants introduced themselves and briefly outlined their respective programs. Darren Vaux (Chair of Pipe Trades) welcomed the group on behalf of Camosun College.
2.1	Approval of Agenda: Accepted.

Reports

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3.1	Pipe Trades System Liaison Person (SLP) Report: Jack Morris (COR) 3.1.1
	 Jack provided updates from BCATTA meeting - a provincial deans group with one lead or associate lead serving as system liaison person for each of trades cluster.
	 He suggested on forefront, group is preparing for return to full activity in Fall – ongoing in person activity to meet the practical requirements, while considering uncertainty of COVID measures. Group had conversation on pivoting to hybrid delivery in terms of online activity, tools and plans to continue with it.
	 Rebound from COVID and economic activities is expected to increase number of apprentices so, we need to look at next couple of years some of our programming areas. There might be strain on our resources due to escalating material costs across the trade, not easily absorbed by the

	 existing budget. ITA is expected to get back to the mandated discussion on funding formula which has not been updated for some time. Group had discussion with ITA and provincial representatives to increase the underrepresented group e.g. female, Indigenous people, disabled supported by most institutions and welcomed new director of ITA First Nation initiatives. Jack suggested deans are having conversation on linking female trades person with female mentors, "Don't be a Bystander" training and becoming allies to support the female Furthermore, articulation committee is having conversation on successes and frustration on roll out of harmonization hiccups along the way, development of student resources, open resources and trades training.
4.1	Industry Training Authority BC: Chris Bey
	4.1.1
	 Chris presented attached report with focus on program outlines,
	harmonization, transition plans, and exam statistics.
	He requested to send any questions to Darren.
4.2	 Technical Safety BC: Rick Vanier, Ryan Milligan and Marisa Mihailoff 4.2.1 Rick, Ryan and Melissa Eddie presented the attached information on gas code adoption, training program recognition and certification exams updates, respectively. Ryan suggested to sign up for the notifications. Darren referred to the creation of question bank. Rick suggested retired safety officer built the questions and technical office supported the editing which will be reviewed by the working group. No new questions to the existing bank was suggested. For new ones, vetting will be carried out by working group. Post-secondary will be able to edit as well.
4.3	 BC Campus: Tim Carson 4.3.1 Tim presented attached powerpoint on open educational resources for the trades. He requested when resources are used, they would like to hear back so that they could take the data to the funder to show the need. BC campus is providing funding to do Millwright and Sheet Metal resources which will be rolled out as it becomes available with Creative Licence. We will be the first province to accomplish it.
5.1	Break
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Open Discussion

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6.1	6.1.1
	 Motion by Paul "The Piping Articulation Committee recommends The Industry Training Authority, as per the Industry Training Authority Act, take responsibility for all exams, Certifications and Post- secondary accreditation for Gasfitter A and B, as part of the compulsory Trades Initiatives."
	 Motion seconded motion by Troy Werrell without any objections. Action: Chair will follow up with ITA folks on the motion above. 6.1.2
	 Motion by Rod "The BC Pipe trade articulation committee, recommends that all colleges administer any third-party certifications, being taken by apprentices, during a time frame outside of scheduled ITA classes." Motion Seconded by Darren
	• Action: Chair will follow up with BCWWA and TS BC to advise them of this committee's recommendation.

Next Meeting

7.1	Discussions & Actions
	 7.1.1 Motion by Darren "We have next years articulation at College of New Caledonia, June 21-23rd" Accepted by Troy. 7.1.2 Motion to Adjourn Darren, Seconded by Matt