

BCCEC meeting
Okanagan College
May 1, 2024 (Wednesday)

Minutes

1. **Welcome to Okanagan College (@ 9:35 AM)**
 - Joe Baker (Dean of the School of Business)
2. **Announcements**
3. **Minute taker arrangement**
4. **Amendments to the agenda (none; agenda accepted as proposed)**
5. **Move to accept and adopt the agenda (accepted)**
6. **Move to (minutes from October 2023 are not available)**
7. **Business Arising / Carried forward**
 - Youry mentioned some additional assessment of student outcomes in the midst of ChatGPT, and it is not encouraging.
8. **New business**
 - 8.1 BCCAT Rob Fleming
 - Mentioned the Spring Update 2024 (<https://www.bccat.ca/resources/ACUupdate202404.pdf>)
 - Promoted JAM coming up in Vancouver (November 9: <https://www.bccat.ca/articulation/jam/>); pointed out past JAM materials (presentations, etc.) are available online (<https://www.bccat.ca/articulation/jam/#past>)
 - 35th anniversary of BCCAT, time for some celebration!
 - Some changes in leadership in the Council (some term expirations)
 - Referred to the recent publications and resources available (<https://www.bccat.ca/publications/>) – and described a few, including “Survey of Mobile Students” and “Course Outlines in the BC Transfer System: Designing Content and Format to Facilitate Course Transferability”.
 - Rob spoke to a study that is repeated every few years on enrolment data, in which is found that transfer students perform as well as direct entry students. Again, this research is repeated every few years, and the results are consistent.

- Made mention of transfer-friendly course outlines (see reference to report up above) as not only a tool for articulation but also for more effective course development & delivery (there are 15K course outlines in the BCCAT systems but access to outlines must be specifically requested, i.e. these are ~~are~~ not generally published on the web, for IP reasons).
- Some research will be taken this year on the role of letter-of-permissions and their impact on learning outcomes (are they a help as they are used? are they are harm as they are used?)
- BCCAT recently began to include pan-Canadian (bigger Ontario schools) and some US institutions, with information brought into the transfer guide from around 15 BC public institutions (“Global Transfer Guide to BC”)
- Discussions continue with Ontario of their adapting the BCCAT system for their transfer system, and in fact, their adoption of the BCCAT system will take place over several years (modulo legal issues).
- Rob described the “Transfer Credit System Pathways” project (<https://www.bccat.ca/technology/pathways/>), which examines how course transfers map onto actual program requirements. There are two phases to this project: the first is establishing a proof-of-concept system with several colleges / teaching universities and one (?) research institution and most of the provincial engineering programs; the second is the exploration of a “pathway request” mechanism, where a sender could identify a possible pathway to a receiver that is feasible but which does not yet exist, i.e. to discern what is missing in articulation but could possibly be ~~arranged/~~ negotiated/arranged/negotiated for improve pathways.

8.2 Institutional Reports

Submitted by the following institutions (with authors listed)

- Alexander College (Ahmed Malki)
- Camosun College (Saryta Schaerer)
- College of the Rockies (Lawrence Maki)
- Columbia College (Ken Chan)
- Coquitlam College (Meghan O’Connor)
- Douglas College, CMPT (Shahriar Khosravi)
- Douglas College, CSIS (Ivan Wong)
- Fraser International College (Jiang Ye)
- Kwantlen Polytechnic University (Marie Lichimo and Nükhet Tuncbilek)
- Langara College (Bryan Green)
- North Island College (Brian Koehler)
- Northern Lights College (Salil Ghosh)
- Okanagan College (Youry Khmelevsky)
- Trinity Western University (Herbert Tsang)

- University Canada West (presented in person by Atefeh Mohebi)
- University of British Columbia, Okanagan (Fatemeh Fard)
- University of British Columbia, Vancouver (Steven A. Wolfman)
- University of Victoria (Mike Zastre and Anthony Estey)
- Vancouver Island University (Huizu Liu)

8.3 BCCEC Meeting, Friday, October 18, 2024, Proposal – In-Person/Hybrid? Location?

- To be hosted by Northern Lights College, Fort St. John campus

8.4 WCCCE Update

- Youry reported on preparations for this year's conference at OC (Thursday, May 2 → Friday, May 3)
- WCCES to take place towards the end of Thursday
- ~~Conference~~The conference banquet takes place at 6 pm on Thursday
- Lots of financial support from local companies

9. Future meetings

9.1 BCCEC Fall 2024 meeting (tentative: Friday, October 18, 2024)? Hybrid / In-person?

- Northern Lights College, Fort St. John Campus

9.2 BCCEC Spring 2025 meeting (tentative: Friday, April 30 or May 7)? Hybrid/In-Person?

- ~~Date~~The date of WCCCE (May 1/2 or May 8/9) will be known by October 2024

9.3 BCCEC Fall 2025 Meeting

- Coquitlam College, to be ~~confirmed~~confirmed.

9.4 BCCEC Spring 2026 Meeting and WCCCE Conference (??)

- to be determined

10. Roundtable discussion

11. Adjournment at 4:02 pm

- Moved (Patrice Belleville), seconded (Caesar Jude Clemente)

Minutes prepared by: Mike Zastre (University of Victoria)

Attending (no particular order) – both in-person and remote

- Fatemeh Fard (UBC-O)
- Gabriel Vitus (Douglas College)
- Frank Lu (NIC)
- Lawrence Maki (COTR)
- Brian Koehler (NIC)
- Rob Fleming (BCCAT)
- Huizhu Liu (VIU)
- Saryta Schaerer (Camosun)
- Megan O'Connor (Coquitlam College)
- Shahriar Khosravi (Douglas College)
- Ahmed Malki (Alexander College)
- Atefeh Mohebi (University Canada West)
- Jim Nastos (OC)
- Herbert Tsang (TWU)
- Patrice Belleville (UBC-V)
- Bryan Green (Langara College)
- Ivan Wong (Douglas College)
- Caesar Jude Clemente (KPU)
- Ken Chan (Columbia College)
- Kevin O'Neil (TRU)
- Salil Ghosh (Northern Lights College)
- Nüknet Tunabilek (KPU)
- Marie Lichimo (KPU)
- Mike Zastre (UVic)