



Saskatchewan Higher Education Quality Assurance Board (SHEQAB)
Minutes of the June 15, 2023 Meeting
Location: Microsoft Teams

Members: Tavia Laliberte (Interim Chair), Barbara Gustafson, Laurie Rancourt, Keith Walker, and Brad Donaldson

Regrets: Lori Kidney and Marc Jerry

Secretariat: Tammy Jones, Damilola Fadeyi, and Gamal Bin Ghanem

1. Opening Welcome & Introductions

Tavia Laliberte, Interim Chair, opened the meeting with a welcome to all and an acknowledgement of Treaty 6 (Saskatoon) and Treaty 4 (Regina) lands, traditional territories of the Cree, Saulteaux, Ojibwe, Dakota, Lakota, Nakota, and the homeland of Métis Nation.

2. Approval of Agenda

It was moved and seconded (Donaldson, Rancourt) to approve the agenda as presented. CARRIED.

3. Approval of the Minutes of the March 31, 2023 Meeting

It was moved and seconded (Rancourt, Gustafson) to approve the minutes of the March 31, 2023 meeting. CARRIED.

4. Update - Annual Meeting between the Minister of Advanced Education and the Interim Chair

The Interim Chair provided the Board with an update of the annual meeting she had with the Minister, held on May 9, 2023.

5. Update on Briercrest's Bachelor of Arts Applied Linguistics: TESOL

The Board was advised of the Ministry of Advanced Education's authorization of Briercrest's Bachelor of Arts (BA) Applied Linguistics: Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) with conditions.

6. 2023 Public review of Saskatchewan's Quality Assurance Standards

In May 2023, the Board conducted consultations with the post-secondary sector and quality assurance bodies on proposed amendments to Saskatchewan's quality assurance standards. The Board carefully reviewed the feedback and will provide a recommendation to the Minister regarding proposed amendments to the standards.

7. Board Appointments

a. New Member Orientation - September 2023

By fall 2023, the Secretariat will conduct an orientation for the new member to be appointed by the Minister of Advanced Education.

b. SHEQAB 2024 Succession Plan

The Board reviewed all current term appointments to identify upcoming vacancies with respect to succession planning. Per the *SHEQAB Appointments Policy*, a Nominations Subcommittee was appointed to oversee the nomination process.

8. Information Items:

a. Monitoring Reports

The Secretariat reported to the SHEQAB that letters have been sent to Saskatchewan Polytechnic, Briercrest College and Seminary, and Cape Breton University to initiate the annual monitoring process for current authorized degrees. Reports from institutions are due August 31, 2023, and will be reviewed at the SHEQAB's fall meeting.

b. Continuous Improvement Projects

The Secretariat provided an update on its continuous improvement projects which include a plan to conduct inter-jurisdictional research to identify best practices in monitoring requirements across Canadian jurisdictions. Once completed, the Secretariat will update the Board of its findings.

9. Next Meeting

The next SHEQAB meeting is scheduled for October 18, 2023 at the Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies (SIIT) in Saskatoon.

Adjournment