

Attendance**online***Members****Program Faculty:**

- Jillian Garrett, Education Council Chair (Arts)
- Andrea Thiessen (Health and Social Development)
- Brenda Ridgeley (Business)
- Morgan Martin, Vice-Chair (Science and Technology)
- Kelly Brochu (Trades and Apprenticeship)

Regional Faculty:

- **Bryan White** (Faculty Representative Shuswap Revelstoke)*

Regrets

- Neil Fassina, President
- Claude Hurtubise (Faculty Representative, Central Okanagan)
- Wendy Wheeler (Faculty Representative, South Okanagan Similkameen)
- Leanne Mallory (Faculty Representative, North Okanagan)
- Chelsey Simmons (Student Representative, Central Okanagan)
- Malachi Gossen (Student Representative, South Okanagan Similkameen)
- Sara Delgado Soto (Student Representative, South Okanagan Similkameen)
- Rhea Dupuis, Director, Indigenous Relations
- Mary Kline, Director, Continuing Studies
- Inga Wheeler, Registrar
- JoAnn Fowler (Board of Governors)

Support Staff:

- Michelle Somerville
- Vivian Moretti

Students:

- Shirelle Nickoli (North Okanagan)

Educational Administrators:

- Samantha Lenci, Provost and Vice President, Academic
- Paul Martin, Dean, Teaching & Learning Innovations
- **Chris Newitt**, Associate Dean, Arts and Sciences*

Recording:

- Elaine Booi, Governance Administrator

Guests**Presenting:**

- Jenn Goodwin, Vice President, Enrolment & College Relations
- Louise Blaise, Faculty, Kinesiology

Guests:

- Mary Ann Knoll, Faculty, Business Administration

Topic	Action
1. CALL TO ORDER	
Quorum was established and the meeting called to order at 2:03p.m.	
2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT	
P. Martin provided a land acknowledgement.	

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3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT The Chair asked whether members had any conflicts to declare. No conflicts were declared.	
4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA A member requested that the June 2, 2026 Special Meeting Minutes be pulled from the consent agenda. The minutes were moved to item 7. Other Business and Business Arising from Consent Agenda. The Chair added that the June 11, 2026 Special Meeting Minutes were removed from the agenda and will be distributed separately. Members did not have any further amendments and the Chair proceeded with reading the motion. <i>Motion: THAT the Education Council approves the June 18, 2026 agenda and thereby approves the consent agenda as amended.</i> M. Somerville	CARRIED
4.1 Consent Agenda i. Education Council Special Meeting Minutes – June 2, 2026 ii. Education Council Special Meeting Minutes – June 11, 2026 <i>This item was removed from the agenda.</i>	
5. NEW BUSINESS Presentation	
5.1 Enrolment Report J. Goodwin presented the Enrolment Report to Council. <i>S. Nickoli joined the meeting at 2:12p.m.</i> Members asked questions regarding full-time equivalent (FTE) enrolment and headcount figures, and J. Goodwin provided clarification. Discussion highlighted the importance of FTE data in supporting institutional planning, including subscriptions, library resources, and other operational functions. J. Goodwin acknowledged and thanked the teams that contributed to the development of the report. <i>J. Goodwin left the meeting at 2:22pm.</i>	
Activity	
5.2 Kinesiology Activity L. Blais lead Council in a Kinesiology activity.	
Recess <i>The Chair called for a recess at 3:30p.m.</i> <i>The Chair called the meeting back to order at 4:00p.m.</i> <i>C. Newitt and L. Mallory joined the meeting at 4:00p.m.</i>	

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Governance	
5.3 Workplan 2026-2027	
The Chair presented the Education Council workplan to Council and members did not have any questions or comments. The Chair proceeded with reading the motion. <i>Motion: THAT the Education Council approve Education Council Annual Workplan 2026-2027 as presented.</i> M. Martin	
	CARRIED
5.4 Committee Assignments	
The Chair presented the committee assignments to Council and members did not have any questions or comments. <i>Motion: THAT the Education Council approve the Education Council Standing Committee Membership as presented.</i> P. Martin	
	CARRIED
5.5 Education Council Communications	
A member noted that at a previous meeting they raised concerns that had been shared by another department but were advised against this. The member expressed concern about how perspectives from individuals or groups not represented on Council could be brought forward for consideration and asked whether there were other avenues available for communicating concerns to Education Council. The Chair noted that this was an important discussion, as Education Council sometimes receives feedback and correspondence from members of the College community. Members discussed the composition and distribution of Education Council seats in relation to the <i>College and Institute Act</i>, the Education Council Bylaws, and the Election Rules. The Chair observed that individuals outside of Council wish to have input into decisions and acknowledged concerns that some members of the College community may feel they lack opportunities to contribute. The Chair asked what approaches Council could consider to ensure people can share their perspectives in a way that is transparent and appropriate. The Provost noted that this was the first year the Education Plan had been brought to Education Council in its current format and that the process by which it is brought to Education Council may be reviewed. A member noted the importance of maintaining clear and consistent processes and cautioned against creating a situation where Council is expected to hear individual views on every issue. The member emphasized the value of established governance processes and suggested that some processes could be strengthened moving forward. Members discussed process-related considerations, including how Council can ensure its processes are transparent and understood by the wider College community. The Chair concluded the discussion, noting that it had been a valuable conversation regarding governance processes and communication. The Chair indicated that the matter may be revisited.	

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6. REPORTS	
6.1 Education Council Chair	
The Chair noted that elections for the Vice Chair position would take place in the fall. The Chair also acknowledged those attending their final Education Council meeting and thanked them for their contributions, service, and commitment to Council during their terms. i. Education Council Proposal Presentation Guidelines The Chair noted that the Governance Administrator developed Proposal Presentation Guidelines to support proposers in preparing and presenting proposals to Education Council. The guidelines will be posted on the Education Council website as a resource for future proposers. A member suggested including a statement clarifying that Education Council considers all aspects of a proposal during its review, not solely the specific element being presented for approval. Members agreed with the suggestion and supported incorporating the clarification into the guidelines.	
6.2 Provost and Vice President Academic	
The Provost thanked members for their engagement and contributions throughout the year. The Provost noted that consultation does not always result in agreement but emphasized the value of open discussion about teaching and learning.	
6.3 Registrar	
No report was given.	
7. OTHER BUSINESS & BUSINESS ARISING FROM CONSENT AGENDA	
i. Education Council Special Meeting Minutes – June 2, 2026 Members discussed proposed revisions to Section 5.7: Education Plan of the minutes regarding the information provided to members with the Education Plan. A member clarified that they would like additional information to be included in future Education Plans and specified the information they had referenced during the discussion. The member requested that this clarification be reflected in the minutes and members agreed. Following the clarification, the Chair proceeded with reading the motion. <i>THAT the Education Council approves the Education Council Special Meeting Minutes – June 2, 2026 as amended.</i> <i>B. Ridgeley</i>	
CARRIED	
8. ADJOURNMENT	
The meeting adjourned at 4:51p.m.	