

College of Rehabilitation Sciences College Council
Minutes of Meeting

Date- October 30, 2024

Time- 4:00-6:00

Location- Zoom

Chair- Reg Urbanowski

Attendees

Teresa Allison
Ruth Barclay
Faye Bauer
Debra Beach-Ducharme
Jenn Billeck
Julie Braga
Cara Brown
Amine Choukou
Juliette Cooper
Mark Garrett
Deborah Handziuk
Candice Harmon
Elisa Hudson
Leslie Johnson
Lisa Engel
Monique Levesque
Kaitlin King
Denise Mackey
Natalie Schroeder-MacLeod
Brian MacNeil
Puck Mai
Andrea Mandzuk
Lisa Mendez
Oyindamola Otubusen
Joanne Parsons
Patricia Plett
Jacquie Ripat
Diana Sanchez Ramirez
Lea Soliman
Mirella Veras
Sandra Webber

Regrets

Aya El-Alawi -on leave
Sandra Biesheuvel

Lisa Diamond-Burchuk
Madeline Burghardt
Cory Campbell
Louise Chartrand
Kelly Codispodi-on leave
Sarah Conci
Moni Fricke-on leave
Jordan Friesen
Ed Giesbrecht-on leave
Margaret Hart
Liz Harvey
Ian Hay
Kaitlin Joyal
Nancy Klassen
Me-Linh Le
Leanne Leclair-on leave
Jeanette Logan
Jodene Neufeld
Rolly Lavallee
Charlene Mathison
Mike McMurray
Karan Multani
Rebecca Schorr
Brenda Semenko
Patricia Thille
Taylor Tutkaluke
Maureen Walker
Karen Wood

Special Guest
Alexa Okraïneç
Nicole Graham-Tetrault
Karen Jashyn
Susan Stratford
Sebastian Tessier

Recorder
Liane Allen

1. Welcome and Quorum met
2. Minutes Review
 - a. November 2023 Minutes
 - i. Motion by J. Cooper to pass the November 2023 minutes as presented.
Seconded by L. Soliman Motion CARRIED
 - b. August 2024 Minutes
 - i. Motion by S. Webber to pass the August 2024 minutes as presented. Seconded
by J. Parsons Motion CARRIED
3. Francophone Seats (slides attached)

- a. Earliest possible implementation will be in September 2026, but will more likely be implemented in September of 2027
 - b. The following needs to be added to the approval process- Admissions Committee
 - c. In addition to francophone seats, the college needs to also consider other equity-based groups that may need attention
 - d. The request for the addition of francophone seats is a separate decision for each program
 - e. Motion by J. Parsons that the college council requests that the college leadership team bring the issue of francophone seat designation back their OT, PT, and RT departments, including admissions committees, and aim to present a decision back to College Council in May. Seconded by C. Brown
Motion CARRIED
4. MSLP Proposal (slides attached)
- a. The admission requirements were reviewed as presented.
 - b. There were concerns raised about the compressed timeframe for the program, this has been reviewed and determined to be appropriate. The only time period within the program with no break is during the last 6.5 months. Should the program length need to be altered, there is opportunity for change.
 - c. The clinical placement length mentioned is 26 weeks which exceeds the required amount. The placement period for SLP programs across Canada vary between 20-30 weeks. It is noted that it is important to collect hours from all areas of practice.
 - d. Casper will be utilized, but will not be used in determining whether Indigenous applicants in categories #1 and #4 will be interviewed. There have been equity concerns raised regarding the use of Casper, which is why they will not be used in the assessment of applications from Indigenous applicants. Using both the GPA and Casper will provide a more balanced view of other applicants.
 - e. The College of Audiology and Speech Language Pathology has not been part of the submission creation at their request. They will be part of the external review process.
 - f. Motion by M. Garrett that Council approve the proposal for the Master of Speech-Language Pathology Program in the College of Rehabilitation Sciences and recommend the proposal proceed to RFHS Faculty Executive Council. Seconded by L. Soliman.

Motion CARRIED

Meeting Adjourned at 5:06