# 2022 Welding Articulation Committee Meeting Agenda

Thompson Rivers Univeristy
805 TRU Way Kamloops, BC
Room ITT 306

May 31, Jun 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> 9:00-4:00

# Tuesday May 31

9:00 Welcome and introductions

Jim Carson thanked Al Sumal for all his work over the years at articulation, as well as his dedication to the welding field in BC and Canada

Additions to the Agenda-Welder testing cost, Retired welder plaque, diverse students,

Start and end dates,

Approval of the Agenda

Approval of the previous Minutes of WAC meeting

Discussion on current status of industry and training institutes- every institute provided an update

Testing costs were discussed and it was agreed that everyone would send their fees to Sean Jarvis for collation and distribution

12:00 Lunch

- 1:00 Open discussion on diverse welding students and the challenges we are facing with teaching at our colleges.
  - Discussion on the welder Plague. please send info to Larry Franzen so he can add names
- 1:30 Challenge pathways in BC- the group discussed the various options and vetting procedures for individuals who wish to challenge and gain certification as a welder in BC this was a long discussion with different options proposed and pitfalls and testing issues associated with different outcomes.
  - It was agreed to discuss further with outside group requesting input form the welding articulation group.
  - Mark Flynn, Skyler Dayus and Spenser Julseth-White will be involved in further talks and take final proposal back to the group before agreement to be put in place.
- 3:00 Election of new Chair, after discussion it was agreed that we would put elect two individuals to represent the group, a chair and a vice chair. People were asked to think about it for the night and an election would be held the following day.
- 3:30 Discussion on cleaning up wording for the day and Passover of questions or concerns from Tuesday for Wednesdays meeting
- 4:00 Adjournment

# Wednesday June 1st

- 9:00 Consensus on day one discussions, prep for the CWB group, talk of next meeting location and possible dates
- 10:00 CWB presentation, CWB gave an update on current status of Foundation books and online content, talked about adding self-test questions to the resource as well as increasing test banks sizes for the group. B level books were also discussed-the latest copies should be ready for fall sessons, and the potential for A level books in the future.

#### 12:00 Lunch

- 1:00 Tech Safety BC presentation and discussion with questions from the group on current system, IT, R and A qualifications. Requalification for test centers was also discussed to see what is coming, as a group we will try and use some standard tests so it is consistent across the province. The group agreed to forward PWP 07, PWP 09, and PWP 10 procedures on sched 80 2" as standard retests.
- 3:00 Vern Weber /ITA sent their regrets that they could not attend and sent along a PPT to Mark Flynn, he agreed that he would forward to the group. We came up with some resolutions to be put forward to our SLP to take our concerns to the ITA.

#### Concerns were:

- 1. ITA red seal challenge paperwork to be sent to test center bit individual.
- 2. Consistent Instructor qualifications across all level outlines
- 3. ITA to post Level A and B outlines to the public on their website.
- 4. B level hours to be adjusted to 2950 for B stamp. Change from 1000 for Foundation plus 1950 for B-total of 2950.
- 5. The group wants to discuss challenge pathways with ITA and other groups.
- 3:30 Election of new chair- Skyler Dayus for Chair and Spenser Julseth-White for Vice Chair put their names forward to serve and were unanimously elected
- 3:45 Next articulation was suggested to be at Camosun College in Victoria
- 4:00 Adjournment

# Thursday Jun 2nd

- 9:00 Discussion
- James Cai, SLP introduction and discussion on meeting topics, it was agreed that we would draft letters for James to take forward on our behalf to ITA and or others as needed

Letter to ITA should include: We ask for program outlines for B level and A level to be posted to ITA website for welders/employers to see. When a challenger has passed their red seal written exam and want to do the practical test we want the ITA to issue a letter to the test center of the challenger's choice-not to the challenger. Welding instructor qualifications to be consistent on all program outlines-to include-red seal, 5 years of experience after red seal, level A/MPAW certification, Class A pressure welder, with PWP7 and PWP 10 in their log book We also want the ITA to fix the hour requirement for B level to be 1950 hrs plus 1000 hrs after Foundation to be a total of 2950 for B stamp.

10:00 Discussion on next meeting and preparing minutes

10:15 Meeting adjourned and

10:30 ESAB, Lincoln, Miller presentations

New technologies and ease of use on the new equipment to help the new apprentices which they are hearing from employers is required. In short, many apprentices/welders lack some of the needs, industry desires and the new technologies are set in place to support this.

12:00 Lunch

12:30 ESAB Lincoln, Miller equipment demonstrations

4:00 Adjournment

### **Attendees**

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