

BC Carpentry Articulation 2024

Meeting Minutes

In Attendance	
Name	Institution
Tim Kasten - Chair	Thompson Rivers University
Cameron Frenette	Vancouver Island University
Corwin Siemens	Coast Mountain College
Ted Zak	University College of the Fraser Valley
Al Van Akker	Camosun College
Erik Hardin	North Island College
Don Naidesh	British Columbia Institute of Technology
Chris Kelly	College of New Caledonia
Rob Laird	North Island College
Joe Missere	Coast Mountain College
Mark Knudsgaard	College of the Rockies
Ryan Mayoh	Northern Lights College
Greg Alm	Thompson Rivers University
Joe Blain	Vancouver Island University
Brad Sousa	Coast Mountain College
Wayne Andrews	Kwantlen Polytechnic University
Paul Markortoff	Selkirk College
Kelly Brochu (Virtual Attendance)	Okanagan College
Theo Riecken (Virtual Attendance, Day 1)	Camosun College

Tuesday, June 11, 2024

Coast Mountain College, Terrace, BC

Day 1

09:00am – Opening and Welcome

- Territory Welcome from Nisga'a Elder, David Wells, of Kitsumkalum
- Welcome from CMTN Dean of Trades, WCTS, and FNFA, Kelly Swain
- Introductions from attending articulation Committee members

09:15am – Adoption of Minutes from 2023

- Approval of last year's minutes
 - Motioned by Cam Frenette; Seconded by Erik Hardin
- Additions to agenda
 - Eric Hardin – Curriculum changes
 - Don Naidesh – Building science
- Approval of the 2024 agenda
 - Motioned by Greg Alm; Seconded by Cam Frenette

09:20am – BCCAT Update with Anna Tikina

- BCCATT (British Columbia Council on Admissions & Transfer) Update 2024 provided to committee, link provided by Anna. All Reports are available online @ bccat.ca
- 15 Year Anniversary of JAM (Joint Annual Meeting) November 7, 2024 (Online) and November 8, 2024 (In-Person in Vancouver) Carpentry Articulation Chair can attend JAM complimentary.
- Articulation Resources available: Articulation Committee Guide and How to Articulate. Available through BCCAT

09:40am – Coffee Break

10:05am – SLP Update with Baldev Pooni

- SLP Report provided to Committee, Extracted from BCATTA (British Columbia Association Trades and Technical Administrator) meetings and TTBC (Trades Training British Columbia)
- BC Labour Market Outlook 2021 - 2031 Reference - Dependence of BC System on Immigration and international students
- **STBC**
 - Request for additional seats, additional funding and additional capital
 - Letter of Agreement. STBC suggested of new funding allocation re-set annually
 - Challenge exam possibility for 10 certified red seal exams
 - Foundation program outlines are being created
- **BCATTA**
 - Concerns from articulation Committee will now be discussed via the SLP. IF BCATTA supports Committee concerns, SLP will work with STBC on issues. SLP will liaise back with Committee members
- **TTBC**
 - Request for additional seats, additional funding and additional capital
 - Funding allocation reset suggested
- **System Wide**
 - Survey sent to Institutions
 - International student discussion and ability to align foreign skilled workers or challenge exams
 - Trades Up Website by BCIT. PD funding available for training
 - Dual Credit Working Group – possibility of dual credit program expansion

10:50am – Open Floor Discussion

11:30am – Lunch

12:30pm – SkilledTrades BC with Thomas Risco, Benjamin Faber, and Sebastien Paquet

- STBC Report for Carpenter Articulation Committee Meeting presented and report provided to Committee
- Harmonized outline and curriculum available on website @ skilledtradesbc.ca
- Exams are in progress but have been delayed. Started with Level 1 and will continue with Level 2 and 3 in the summer

- New process of implementation date will have all exams ready prior to implementation date. Discussion by Committee on delays
- Apprentice numbers reviewed. Question asked to STBC about Foundation students considered in the data captured.
- Question about peer review process. 4-person panel to review exams. Concern of such a small group of professionals making the decisions and edits.
- SLP and BCATTA decided who's on the panel. Faculty can participate by putting their name forward to their Dean.
- Poor results for new SLE's; Standard review process after exams are released
- Online Exam Glitch discussed and rectified for future classes, Committee requested communications from STBC in future
- Exam results are not immediate, STBC will follow up with their assessments team
- National Pass Rate – Request by Committee to STBC for data to not include challengers. Request denied as the data is not able to be separated but will be asked again annually
- Accessibility issues brought up. If everyone is granted the accessibility they request, why not offer the extra hour to accommodate. Suggestion of making a better exam for future where the accessibility isn't a consistent issue
- Developing Foundation program outline for carpentry is in process. Workshops will be coming soon
- Updating instructor requirements reasonable and standard across the board
- SLE's
 - SLE for Foundations? Not in the near future
 - Provide student performance feedback after exams, could be used as a learning tool. How is this going to be actioned?
 - Language has been changed in exams
 - How can they be more formative instead of summative?
 - Online exam – feedback is available for both online and paper exams issue of students not having enough time to finish the exam and then give the feedback as well
 - More feedback requested to both students and institutions
 - Barriers to students: Test Anxiety
 - If SLE is preparing students for their IP exam, how are we preparing our students and how are we giving them feedback?
- Funding – concerns with no increases in decades, cut funding for women in trades and Indigenous students. Committee has asked STBC when will funding be adjusted.

2:25pm – Coffee Break

2:45pm – Open Floor Discussion

- Mass Timber – Can there be more details included
 - Opinions on both sides
 - Can only fit in so much material in each apprenticeship level
- Building Science micro-credential currently available through BCIT

3:00pm – Adjourned for the day

Carpentry Articulation 2024 - Day 2
Wednesday, June 12, 2024
Coast Mountain College, Terrace Campus

09:00am – Skills Canada Provincial and National Competition Update

Provincial Skills Canada Competition Technical Chair

- Cam Frenette motioned for Tim Kasten as Skills Canada Provincial Chair; Ryan Mayoh seconded. Motion Passed.

2025 Skills Canada Provincial Committee Volunteers

- Joe Blaine
- Greg Alm
- Al Van Akker

- Provincial Skills Canada competition was a success this year, still space to add more students to compete next year
- Skills Canada Provincial Results are Gold from TRU; Silver from VIU; Bronze from Camosun; BCIT swept Cabinetmaking;
- National Technical Committee Member – Thomas Haag is not continuing in the position next year, search continues for National Technical Committee Member representing BC
- Needs passion for Skills Competition to be part of National Committee
- 2024 Skills Canada National Results: Congratulations to Mathew Lavigne from TRU in achieving silver and representing BC
- 2025 Nationals will be held in Regina and will be live streamed

09:20am – Institution Reports

- **Vancouver Island University:** Foundation classes are mostly full in 3 campuses
- 12 Apprenticeship classes; Level 1 is full and waitlisted for the past 3 years
- Trades Samplers, with strong student return to Trades programs post Sampler
- IP Results – dip last year
- **College of New Caledonia:** 2 Foundation classes; 8 Apprenticeship classes, 2 of each level with Level 1 being waitlisted; Multiple campuses host apprenticeship programs
- IP Results – decent with close failures on first exam
- **Coast Mountain College:** 2 Foundation classes including dual credit students with 1 regional program hosted within Indigenous community; 9 Apprenticeship classes offered at campuses and regional locations; 2 YETS Programs
- IP results stronger than SLE's, 80% success rate
- **College of the Rockies:** Foundation class with a waitlist; 5 Apprenticeship classes
- 3 Women in Trades programs annually
- IP results stronger than SLE's 12/14 passed
- **North Island College:** 2 Foundation classes; 11 Apprenticeship classes with waitlists

- IP Results – 14/16 passed
- **Camosun** – 2 Foundation classes including dual credit students; 24 Apprenticeship classes, Waitlist for Level 1 and 2's; Registration in Level 3 and 4 lower partially due to employer needs; Cut funding for women and indigenous programs have been shouldered by Camosun; Partnerships with school districts for various programs
- IP Results 90 % success rate
- **Northern Lights College:** 1 Foundation classes; 4 Apprenticeship classes, Steady enrollment; 3 YETS programs
- IP results – Half of class passed; Students are taking apprenticeship levels back to back
- **Selkirk:** 1 Foundation class with large waitlist; Apprenticeship classes 1 – 4 and utilize waitlist for 5th apprenticeship program; Dropped registration numbers in the last year
- IP results 8/12 passed
- **BCIT:** 7 -8 Foundation classes; 36 Apprenticeship classes
- Steady enrollment, a few cancellations but able to fill in any intake gaps
- Indigenous programs; 2 YETS programs
- IP Results - Historically 60 % pass rate and more recently 100% pass rate
- **TRU:** 3 Foundation classes, including dual credit students hosted at different locations;
- 10 Apprenticeship classes
- IP Results - 24/30 passed
- **KPU** 1 Foundation class; 4 Apprenticeship classes, adjustments based on student needs
- **UFV:** ? Foundation classes; 6 -7 Apprenticeship classes; 1-year waitlist, Registration issues with timeline of acceptance of students; Faculty succession plan in place
- IP Results - 14/16 passed
- **OK:** ? Foundation classes; 22 Apprenticeship classes; Dual credit numbers have dropped slightly; Indigenous programs; Sampler Program models being reconfigured
- IP Results – 80% success rate

10:05am- New Digital Resources with Chris Cirella from Cengage

- MindTap
- Students are moving to online learning
- Teaching tool for instructors to use in conjunction with Carpentry 4th Edition Textbook
- Greg from TRU is using MindTap and online resources to help prepare students for success, massive question bank available for utilization of faculty. Please with program.

10:45am – Coffee Break

11:00am – Executive Summary and Open Floor Discussion

- Don from BCIT discussed module Building Science booklet created by BCIT
 - **Link provided by Tim Kasten**
 - Bookstores can order copies, both paper and online resources available
- Cam Frenette Update
 - BC Carpentry Articulation Teams Site – intent is to share resources within

- Link provided by Tim Kasten
 - Contacts need to be updated – All Institutions need to please update currently faculty and send Tim your institutions updated contact information
 - Hybrid Delivery for First Nation communities and hire workforce within their communities. Described model for committee
- Greg Alm – Level 1 Projects
 - Level 1 Chisel Block Project for real world discussed
 - Level 1 chisel block plan and marking sheet provided
- Committee chair, Tim Kasten has requested another committee member to present their innovative idea next year with a different apprenticeship level project, as Greg has just presented.

12:00pm – Lunch

12:45pm – CMTN Campus Tour with Dean of Trades, Kelly Swain

1:50pm–Articulation Chair and Vice Chair

- Cam Frenette stepping down as Vice-Chair
- Elect new Vice-Chair Theo Riecken from Camosun has agreed to put his name forward
 - Theo elected as Vice-Chair by unanimous decision
 - Tim Kasten, Committee chair proposed to create a playbook as a material to hand over to future chair and vice chair as a guide on managing the committee.
- Next Year's articulation venue
 - Venue for 2025 Carpentry Articulation: College of the Rockies Cranbrook Campus
 - 2025 Carpentry Articulation point of contact: Mark Knudsgaard
 - Potential date of articulation for 2025 is weeks after convocation (June 2025). Date will be further finalized but proposed to be 2 weeks post convocation.
 - Further information regarding date, accommodation, etc. to be discussed in the future planning meetings.