

Education Council Minutes – April 14, 2026

4:30 pm, in person, Tenth Street Campus, Nelson, Room 103 in the Patenaude Building

P = Present - A= Absent

In Attendance:

A	M. Bleier	P	D. Sargent	A	D. Biin
P	L. Boehm	A	T. Render	P	T. Clarke
P	S. Curran	P	C. Philipson	P	T. Punchard
P	R. Deane	P	K. Tillapaugh	A	T. Snauwaert
P	A. Fahrenbruch	P	D. Sakwan	P	T. Whitehead
P	D. Falkenhagen (Chair)	A	G. Kaur	P	M. Matear (President)
A	J. Langham	A	G. Singh	P	J. Heth (Registrar)
A	C. Hillary		-----	P	N. Makortoff (recorder)

Guests:

Melody Diachun

Debbie Bird

Ken Wyllie

Call to order and welcome.

The meeting was called to order at: 4:41 pm

1 Territorial Acknowledgment

Territorial Acknowledgement given by the Council Chair.

2 Approval of Agenda of 2026-04-14

CARRIED

The agenda was approved as amended. Items 6,B,7 and 6,D,3 were deferred.

3 Approval of Minutes of 2026-03-10

CARRIED

The minutes were approved as presented.

4 Membership Engagement and/or Updates

Member engagement

Review of member feedback from the survey.

- The results from the survey were discussed. Some key points to consider were:
- When new programs or courses are created there should be a report provided to the EdCo AGM the year they were approved following their approval, to let them know how the program or course implementation and delivery went.
- The timing of the meetings was an issue for many. The schedule will be discussed at the EdCo AGM in June.
- There could be some form of teaching included under membership engagement at each meeting. The buddy system was also discussed.
- There were recommendations provided to the VP Academic and Provost about what to include in the reports provided to the Council.

Election for the EdCo Vice Chair

Claire Philipson was appointed by acclamation as the new Vice Chair for the remainder of this term.

5 Past Action Items, Approval in Principle, and Items that need further consideration document.

Information

The document was reviewed. The document tracks the business of the Council. An update was provided that the new Foundation in Rural Data Science was approved by the Board. Another update was that the new Medical Laboratory Assistant program received Ministry funding, so they are now able to start developing the curriculum. The start date of the program is tentatively set for Fall 2027.

6 Standing Committee Reports

A Circle for Inclusive Indigenous Education (CIIE)

- 1 There was no meeting in March.

Information

B Curriculum Committee (CC)

- 1 Draft minutes from the March 12, 2026 and the March 26, 2026 meetings are provided for required motions and information.

Information

- 2 *“Pursuant to the CIA Section 24(2)(f) Education Council approves the updated DFAB year one courses.”*

CARRIED

DFAB 103 Technical Drawings for Fabrication

DFAB 104 Computer Aided Design

DFAB 106 Additive Manufacturing I

DFAB 107 Design for Subtractive Manufacturing

DFAB 108 Subtractive Manufacturing 1

DFAB 111 Introduction to Desktop 3D Printing

DFAB 112 Fabrication Principles

DFAB 113 Fabrication Practices

Discussion:

The learning outcomes and descriptions were updated to reflect what is being taught in the classroom and to improve clarity. The language in the description and outcomes also aligns with Industry Terminology.

There was a question about removing some competencies from the outcomes and if that will impact learning. The answer

was that they do not need to know how to run the equipment, they just need to have a demonstration of how it works.

- 3 *“Pursuant to the CIA Section 24(2)(f) Education Council approves the updated DFAB year two courses.”* **CARRIED**

DFAB 201 3D Scanning and Reverse Engineering

DFAB 202 Subtractive Manufacturing II

DFAB 203 Additive Manufacturing II

DFAB 204 Advanced Computer Aided Design

DFAB 207 Metal CNC Technologies

Discussion:

The learning outcomes and descriptions were updated to reflect what is being taught in the classroom and to improve clarity. The language in the description and outcomes also aligns with Industry Terminology.

There was a question that if the learning outcomes and descriptions are changing to reflect the current learning in the classroom will the change impact transferability. Currently, this is a unique program, and there is no other one like it in the country. But there are talks with some institutions about creating transfer pathways.

- 4 *“Pursuant to the CIA Section 24(2)(f) Education Council approves the updated MUSC courses.”* **CARRIED**

MUSC 150X Private Lesson - Secondary Instrument

MUSC 151X Private Lesson - Secondary Instrument

MUSC 151XA Private Lesson - Secondary Instrument

MUSC 250BX Mentorship

MUSC 250X Private Lesson - Secondary Instrument

MUSC 251B Mentorship

MUSC 251X Private Lesson - Secondary Instrument

MUSC 252 Private Lesson IIIA

MUSC 252X Private Lesson - Secondary Instrument

MUSC 253 Private Lesson IVA

MUSC 253X Private Lesson - Secondary Instrument

Discussion:

All private lesson courses had the grading table changed. They will now be using the Competency Based Grading table. There were also some minor grammatical edits made in the descriptions.

The two Mentorship courses had their titles changed. There were also changes to the descriptions and outcomes.

- 5 *“Pursuant to the CIA Section 24(2)(f) Education Council approves the updated ECCE 178 Professional Practice I and ECCE 179 Professional Practice II courses.”* **CARRIED**

Discussion:

This ECCE program recently went through a Level 3 review. From the review the recommendation was to change some learning outcomes around in the practice courses to better reflect the learning levels . Two outcomes from each course were switched from one course to the other.

- 6 *“Pursuant to the CIA Section 24(2)(f) Education Council approves the updated HSER 270 Practicum in a Child and Youth Care Setting and HSER 280 Advanced Human Service Practicum courses with minor edits to credits made at the April 14, 2026 EdCo meeting.”* **CARRIED**

Discussion:

In these courses there were too many hours required so it was decided to reduce the number of hours and to reduce the number of days per week. The reduction in hours also reduced the number of credits for both courses.

There was a question as to why the credit dropped so much when there was not that big of a change to the hours. The old credits were determined by the old Policy 8100, and the new credits are determined by the new Policy 8102.

- 7 *“Pursuant to the CIA Section 24(2)(f) Education Council approves the updated MTED 100 Medical Terminology I course with minor edits to credits made at the April 14, 2026 EdCo meeting.”* **CARRIED**

Discussion:

This course was submitted because the learning outcomes were not entered into the course when it was first submitted into CS. When reviewing the course at the meeting it was noted that the credits were wrong, so they were updated at the meeting to match Policy 8102. The credits were updated to show 2 credits instead of 1.

- 8 *“Pursuant to the CIA Section 24(2)(f) Education Council approves the updated AESP 271 GIS Applications II and AESP 277 Environmental Planning Field Applications courses.”* **CARRIED**

Discussion:

This course had the learning outcomes updated.

- 9 *“Pursuant to the CIA Section 24(2)(f) Education Council approves the updated RFW 263 Outdoor Recreation Operations and Management course.”* **CARRIED**

Discussion:

This course had the learning outcomes and description updated to better reflect what is happening in the course.

C Education Policy Committee (EPC)

- 1 There was no meeting in March.

Information

D Program Quality Committee (PQC)

- 1 Approved minutes from March 10, 2026 and draft minutes from March 24, 2026 meetings are provided for required motions and information.

Information

- 2 *“Pursuant to the CIA Section 23(1)(b) Education Council approves the updated Child & Youth Care Diploma Program policies with changes to the credits from 39 to 36.5 as discussed at the April 14, 2026 EdCo meeting.”*

CARRIED

Discussion:

Credits were updated at the meeting as there was an error in the credit calculation for one course. Minor changes throughout the program policy. The admission requirements were cleaned up to remove barriers to the students.

- 3 *“Pursuant to the CIA Section 23(1)(b) Education Council approves the updated Social Work Diploma Program policies with changes to the credits from 39 to 36.5 as discussed at the April 14, 2026 EdCo meeting.”*

CARRIED

Discussion:

Credits were updated at the meeting as there was an error in the credit calculation for one course. Minor changes

throughout the program policy. The admission requirements were cleaned up to remove barriers to the students. Trauma informed language was included.

- 4 *“Pursuant to the CIA Section 23(1)(b) Education Council approves the updated Ski Resort Operations and Management Diploma Program policies.”* **CARRIED**

Discussion:

This program policy was updated to include the change to the grading table from the Hospitality and Tourism Grading table to the Academic and Career Grading table. The GPA requirement was updated to match the new grading table.

- 5 *“Pursuant to the CIA Section 23(1)(b) Education Council approves the updated Tourism and Destination Management Diploma Program policies.”* **CARRIED**

Discussion:

When this program was initially submitted one of the GPA requirements missed an update to match the grading table that this program is using. This was the only change.

7 **Unfinished Business**

- A No unfinished business.

8 **New Business**

- A *“Education Council recommends that the Board of Governors approve the deletion of SSW 163 Field Work I and SSW 166 Application of Theory to Practice courses.”* **CARRIED**

Discussion:

The change to the program includes curricular adjustments to reduce the Semester 2 workload by combining SSW 163 and SSW 166 (the theory and practice components) and reducing the overall number of practicum hours in each practicum (Winter and Spring). The learning outcomes from these two courses were combined to create a new course SSW 167; therefore, these two courses can now be deleted.

9 Reports

A VP Education and Students Report (*submitted*)

Information

The new structure organization charts will be shared at the next meeting. There are now new places for the PTEC students to complete their lab courses. Also, the MHSU program has more locations where students can do their practicums.

B Education Council Chair Report (*submitted*)

Information

Some of the issues that Selkirk College is facing currently are also impacting other institutions around the province.

Adjournment

Next meeting is on April 28, 2026, at 4:30 pm on Teams.