



**Presidents in Attendance:**

BCC	Colin Ewart	NLC	Bryn Kulmatycki
CC	Sherri Bell	NWCC	Ken Burt
CNC	Henry Reiser	OC	Jim Hamilton
COTR	David Walls	SC	Angus Graeme
LC	Lane Trotter	VCC	Peter Nunoda
NIC	<i>John Bowman - Regrets</i>		

**Board Chairs in Attendance:**

CC	Russ Lazaruk	NLC	Sharon Miller, Vice Chair
CNC	Robert (Lee) Doney	NWCC	Paul Bjorn, Vice chair
COTR	Wilda Schab	OC	Connie Denesiuk
LC	Kwin Grauer	SC	Sharel Wallace
NIC	Derek Lamb	VCC	Pam Ryan

**Guests:**

Post-Secondary Employers' Association (PSEA)	CEO, Anita Bleick
Ministry (AVED)	Deputy Minister, Sandra Carroll
Ministry (AVED)	ADM, Governance, Legislation & Strategic Policy, Claire Avison
BC Colleges	Executive Assistant, Stephanie DenOtter

**1. Opening Comments – Lane Trotter**

Call to order and opening comments from Lane Trotter.

**2. Consent Items for Approval One Motion – Lane Trotter**

**Motion:** *That today's Agenda, and the Minutes from November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016 Council of Presidents meeting, be approved."*

Moved by David Walls and seconded by Henry Reiser.

Approved

**3. Welcome comments** from Lane Trotter to Board Chairs.

**4. BCC President's Report– Colin Ewart**

Update since November 2, 2016 included communications campaigns through social media and print; engagement with AVED, JTST, PSEA, ITA, BCNET; collaboration with BCAIU & RUCBC on Conference Board; BCAIU on Applied Research joint presentation as well as market analysis for Residences with Partnerships BC; CIGan 150<sup>th</sup> promotion; presentation at Colleges Ontario National Conference on Innovating Trades Training in BC; and collaboration with THEA Ireland. Next fiscal quarter will include CIGan Regional Representatives meeting in Victoria, BC provincial Budget, BC Colleges day and the opportunity to work with college leads in Finance, Education, Communications & Advancement. Open discussion.

**5. Roundtable**

Presidents discussed International enrolment, student supports, Aboriginal Education, strategic plans, celebrations including new building openings, economic issues, community partnerships, SIF projects, excluded compensation and vacancies.

## **6. CIGan update – Jim Hamilton**

Annual Conference in Ottawa April 30 – May 2<sup>nd</sup> – call out to make presentations. 150<sup>th</sup> Celebration in progress and colleges are encouraged to submit success stories. Discussions continue regarding student mental health and safety as well as internship opportunities. Presidents encouraged to access the CIGan monthly newsletter, Perspectives.

## **7. Post-Secondary Employers' Association (PSEA) – Antia Bleick, CEO**

Anita provided an update on post-secondary excluded compensation framework/next steps since attending last meeting with Presidents in March 2016. Discussion on next steps with PSEA and PSEC, general, as well as college specific, challenges were shared and issues raised. Next steps discussed.

Further discussion on compensation framework held later in the meeting with unanimous decision for Colin to correspond on behalf of BCC Presidents to PSEA stating consensus.

*During our Council of Presidents meeting today the PSEA compensation framework was discussed and consensus was reached. Based upon agreement, our PSEA Board members were directed that:*

- the Compensation Framework is acceptable. Move to get it approved,
- in terms of Implementation, pursue a "reasonable" and "achievable" outcome (i.e., 2+2, with 2 back dated to January 1, 2016),
- that this process needs to be carried out with the agency of PSEA in an expeditious manner.

## **8. Sustainability at BC's colleges**

Identified at Strategic Retreat, June 2016, the Presidents' & Board Chairs' roundtable discussion addressed what does sustainability mean, why it is important, is the system sustainable and what are our next steps. Adaptability and sustainability linked. Agreed sustainability is potential topic for June COP retreat

## **9. Ministry (AVED) – DM Sandra Carroll, and ADM Claire Avison**

The Deputy Minister and Assistant Deputy Minister provided information on upcoming election as it relates to Ministry activity, update on Sexual Violence and Misconduct Policy, student housing, TRC recommendations, liaison with Federal government regarding International students relating to immigration and innovation fund, year-end support, and Board governance. Deputy Minister also described government process through June.

## **10. Roundtable discussion with Deputy Minister and Assistant Deputy Minister**

Opportunity for Board Chairs and Presidents to ask questions.

## **LUNCH**

Board Chairs convened for separate session – Chaired by Wilda Schab, College of the Rockies

## **11. BC Budget Forecast 2017-18**

Colin presented BC Colleges 2017-18 budget and shared previous budget numbers, explanation for increases/decreases, and future research and strategic development projects will be funded as approved by COP, subject to project scope. Colin highlighted that this fiscal budget is lower than 2015/16, and that operating increase frozen since 2008.

**Motion:** To approve the 2017-18 budget as presented with annual review of budget needs and membership contribution.

Moved by David Walls and seconded by Angus Graeme.  
Approved

**12. College Communications/Outreach Roundtable**

BC Colleges Day information shared and discussed.

**Board Chairs rejoin meeting**

**13. Roundtable discussion**

Wilda shared Board Chairs' discussion on Board governance and best practices, and recommendation to increase College brand (ie. Impact with government leaders eg. BC Colleges Day) 70% of those at the table attended College at some point.

Lane thanked Board Chairs for the contribution to this meeting and for their active role in success of all the Colleges.

**14. Meeting adjourned 2:45 pm**

**15. In Camera Session**