



COLLEGE COMMITTEE ON DISABILITY ISSUES
COMITÉ COLLÉGIAL EN BESOINS PARTICULIERS

CCDI Executive Teleconference Meeting
September 9, 2015
Minutes

Attendees: Carla Grey, Yvan Roy, Kim Morin, Nora Simpson, Jim Chalmers, Rachel Shalit, James McEwan, Matt Trainor, Toni Connolly, and Kelley Grant (scribe)

Absent: Trina Washington and Theresa Siu

Guests: Michal Callaghan, Jane Cousins, Joanne Brown, Justine Wadhawan

1. Approval of Agenda

- Agenda approved.

2. Review of executive minutes, June 20, 2015

- No changes were made.

3. Reports & Updates

a) AFSD 2015-16 – Michael Callaghan, Research Policy Analyst, Colleges Unit, MTCU

- Changes in the AFSD report were discussed. (See Attached)

b) Treasurer's Update - Jim Chalmers

- We are in good standing.

c) Tracking Employment Outcomes of Students with Disabilities – Nora Simpson

- Given the presentation made by the MTCU, a position statement may not be required.
- The executive then discussed the issue of the Federal government requiring that students have a permanent disability and disclose their diagnosis while the Provincial government no longer requires that a diagnosis be provided. It was agreed to obtain more information before making a decision on drafting a position statement on the above item. After the presentation from Emily Kelsey and Sherri Martin, MTCU, on BSWD guidelines and changes, the executive will review and decide how to best proceed.

d) CCDI Provincial Meeting - Colleges Ontario

November 4, 2015 – Draft Agenda Items

- *Presentation: The Impact of Learning Disabilities (LD) on Mental Health and a Cognitive Approach to Addressing LD* - Barbara Arrowsmith-Young, Director of Arrowsmith School and Arrowsmith Program.
- Treasurer's Update – Jim Chalmers
- MTCU Update – Michael Callaghan/Taras Myhal
- BSWD Update - Emily Kelsey, Research Policy Analyst, Student Financial Assistance Program, MTCU, Sherri Martin, Senior Policy Advisor, Student Financial Assistance Branch, MTCU. *They would like CCDI members to provide them with a list of other topics they may like to cover.*
- Autism Group Update - Jeff Szmyr, Disability Counsellor, Humber College – **(Carla to confirm)**

- Tuition Fee Policy - TBD
- College Updates – CCDI reps

November 5, 2015

- Presentation - Social Aetiology of Mental Illness (SAMI) - [Roula Markoulakis](#).
(Nora will confirm availability)

d) Listserv Web Archives – all - TBD

4. Other

- **Tuition Fee Policy** –it was brought to the executive’s attention that there are many different processes and questions that have arisen across all colleges about the Tuition Fee Policy. It was asked that we contact the Ministry Representative to find out who we direct these questions to and who can clarify processes. **(Kelley sent email to Michael Callaghan, MTCU)**
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Upcoming Meetings

CCDI Executive Meeting – Tuesday, November 3, 2015

CCDI Provincial Meeting - Wednesday, November 4, 2015 – 8:30 – 4:00 pm

CCDI PD - Thursday, November 5, 2015 – 9:00 – 3:00 pm

CCDI Executive Meeting – February 2, 2016 – 2:30 – 4:30

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