



Speech and Hearing BC

Provincial Council Virtual Zoom Meeting Minutes June 8, 2021

PC Members

P	Staci Cooper, President	P	Amanda Locke, Director PP SLP	P	Kylie Naylor, GVRD Rep
P	Becca Yu, Vice-President	P	Chelsey Chichack, Dir. Early Int'n	P	Sheena Kirkland, FValley Rep
P	Megan MacKay, Treasurer	P	Sarah Jane Garland, Dir. SLP Adult	P	Lesley Runzer, Kootenays Rep
P	Susan Edwards, Secretary	P	Sarah Dowling, Dir. Schools	P	Janine Sigurdson, North Rep
P	Janet Campbell, Opns Mgr	P	Pam Waterhouse, Dir. Social Media	P	Nadine Fort, Thompson/Ok
P	Sherri Zelazny, Dir. Public Ed	P	Heather Ritchie, Dir, AUD Private	R	Sharon Goodman, Islands Rep
P	Chelsea Van Tol, Dir. Prof Ed	R	Kathy Pereira Dir, AUD Public	P/P	Students: Mackenzie Lee, Ellie Fedec

I	Open Meeting
1. Call to Order	Staci Cooper called meeting to order at: 7:04
2. Welcome/Intro from the Chair & Land Acknowledgement	PC acknowledges the land and people on whose territories we are meeting from today.
3. Approval of Agenda: Additions to Agenda?	Motion to approve: Sarah D. Second: Chelsea C. Carried
4. Approval of Minutes	Minutes of April 8, 2021 Motion to approve: Nadine F., Second: Becca Y. Carried
5. Approval of Consent Agenda?	Motion to approve: Megan M.; Second Nadine F.; Abstain: Susan E. Carried
	PC Reports Submitted:

II	Agenda Item/Discussion	Action
6. Project Action Items Review	a) Vibrations: want to send a member survey and ask PC to vet and add to it.	Susan, Becca and Janet to draft a member survey. PC to review, comment and add.
7. Operational	a) PC Vacancies – see table below agenda.	Current Directors and Area Reps to signal interest to stay or look for a replacement for organizational sustainability.
	b) Website Review Committee Update-Impact has suggested ideas for better navigation of the website.	Committee to meet again to discuss. Add section around “accepting new clients”.

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	<p>c) Vibrations-question about the change was made re: Past president/VP and Secretary to do it. Question re: should this be a more stable position? Is this a task for a part-time office staff person who would also do marketing/public relations job who is willing to learn about the association. Should we recruit an editor from membership at large? Motion: Put an expression of interest to membership at large for an editor of Vibrations with assistance from a member of PC. Staci; 2nd: Chelsea van Tol. Carried.</p>	<p>Staci, Becca and Janet will review Impact role and extra staff options.</p> <p>Janet will put the expression of interest to edit Vibrations out to membership.</p>
<p>8. Public Education</p>	<p>a) Advocacy initiatives update/ May Month- Sherri thanked everyone for their contribution to May Month.</p>	<p>No further action</p>
	<p>b) Minister's Advisory Council on Children and Youth with Support Needs</p>	<p>In progress</p>
	<p>c) Indigenous Services Working Group letters: Reply from CSHBC "thorough and engaged". Shari Shabits and Alyssa Dixon commended for drafting an effective letter.</p>	<p>Committee will draft a letter thanking the College for their response.</p>
	<p>d) Adult Services terminology re: Long-term Care Residents.</p>	<p>Staci will follow up with term "resident". Sarah Jane will let council know of LTC language changes.</p>
<p>9. Professional Advocacy</p>	<p>a) Allied Health Policy Secretariat: create a three-year plan to set the strategic direction of allied health in BC. Will align with the Ministry of Health's strategic priorities and be used to help inform our health human resources strategy. AHPS will be consulting around the province between May and August.</p>	<p>Staci and Kathy will be joining the meeting on behalf of Speech and Hearing BC.</p>
	<p>b) AUD & SLP Direct Referral to ENT Working Group Update-unique to our province. College is supportive and will attend next working group meeting. Compiling a list of pros/cons on how government and GPs will see our initiative re: direct referral.</p>	<p>Committee will explore inviting Doctors of BC to the discussion. Staci to provide a name. Sarah Jane will bring it to PCA.</p>
	<p>c) BLM and BIPOC Education Update 90-minute session with an Indigenous co-presenter and break-out sessions for discussion. Staci has connected with JRC the SLP (refer to EC Minutes June 2nd, 2021 for topics). Series of three sessions spaced out throughout Bias in Standardized Assessment; Racism and Microaggressions, Creating/using diverse materials/ standardized materials, and Implicit Bias and Intersectionality. Staci met</p>	<p>Janet will send an email blast to membership for June 23rd at 7pm.</p> <p>Chelsea van Tol will contact SAC to discuss support for this initiative.</p>

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	with UBC students re: diversity and how important it is to see diversity in our field and have it represented in the association director positions.	Staci will follow up with Equity and Diversity working group.
	d) AUD and HIP dispensing exam-International members who are Audiologists could register with the College but not eligible to write the HIP examinations. Professional Associations may wish to express their views directly to the Ministry. If so, also write to the Deputy to the Minister of Health who is responsible for Modernization of Regulation.	Leslie can connect with Kathy, Heather, Janine.
	e) Sarah Dowling asked about method to form a special committee SLP Literacy Working Group	Sarah will give the go-ahead for the formation of this committee and present information to PC prior to passing to IMPACT.
	f) Rebecca Storey from Provincial Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services inviting Speech and Hearing BC to attend a meeting with ministry colleagues from the Specialized Provincial Services (Children and Youth with Support Needs) and the Inclusion Policy team.	Heather will attend at 1:30pm June 22 nd .
	g) Staci and Becca met with Parliamentary Secretary for Accessibility and that it wasn't intentional to leave communication out of the legislation. Advocated for the importance to have it in the legislation itself but didn't make any commitment to adding it to the legislation. Extended the offer for Speech and Hearing BC to participate in the next stage of their process.	Becca to follow up.
10. Professional Ed	a) 2021 Conference Update – October 22 & 23 (Whistler)	PC supports the Conference Committee to go ahead with an in-person conference.
11. PCA	a) Many provinces have key advocacy initiatives re: Long-term Care. Some provinces are very concerned about supporting members through COVID.	No further action. Next meeting is September 2021.
12. Area Reps	a) Kylie reported the Susan Ebbels area funds event was well-attended. Janine reported events in the North: an autism workshop and a hospital-based swallowing workshop. Funds being used throughout province.	
13. Adjourn	Time: 9:14pm	

Respectfully submitted by Susan Edwards, RSLP
Secretary to Provincial Council

Vacant Positions at a Glance: Secretary, Public Education, Professional Education, Audiology Private, Early Intervention SLP, Adult Services SLP, Social Media, GVRD, North, Kootenays

Candidate

Term

Executive Committee

President	Becca Yu	2023
Vice-President	n/a	
Past President	Staci Cooper	2022
Secretary	need to recruit	

Directors

Director, Public Education	need to recruit	
Director, Professional Education	Danielle Lafleur	
Director, Early Intervention SLP Services	need to recruit	
Director, SLP Adult Services	Sarah Jane Garland will stay on	
Director, Social Media	need to recruit	
Director, Audiology Public Practice	need to recruit	
Director, Area Representatives	need to recruit	
Director, Schools SLP Practice	Sarah Dowling	2022
Director, SLP Private Practice	Amanda Locke	2022
Director, Audiology Private Practice	Heather Ritchie	2022

Area Reps

GVRD	need to recruit	
North	need to recruit	
Kootenays	need to recruit	
Fraser Valley	Sheena Kirkland	2022
Thompson/Okanagan	Nadine Fort	2022
Vancouver/Gulf Islands	Sharon Goodman	2022