

ACAT Meeting May 10 & 11, 2006 Athabasca University

Present: Lucille Walter (Chair), Dietmar Kennepohl, Marylea Jarvis, Anna Kae Todd, Joshua Phillips, Kathleen Massey, Catherine Eddy, Doug Hart, Peter Haney, Merla Bolender, Gerry Kendal (for Olive Yonge), Fred Carnew, Gord Nixon, Marg Leathem (Acting Director), Kyra Kubrak (Manager), Wendy Richer (Interim Research Assistant)

1. Welcome

The chair welcomed Council to the meeting and introduced Dr. Dianne Conrad, Director of Centre for Learning Accreditation, who welcomed Council to Athabasca University and provided a presentation on Prior Learning Assessment and Recognition.

2. Strategic Planning

Council participated in a facilitated strategic planning session, led by Fred Tyrrell of Alberta Community Development.

The draft 2006-2009 Business Plan will be created from the strategic outcomes of the session and circulated to members via e-mail for comment.

3. Chair and Secretariat Report

The Chair updated Council on her visits to post-secondary institutions, meetings attended and presentations given.

Council agreed that articulation sub-committees should be established in Cree and Computing Science.

Council recommended that members of the Alberta Post-Secondary Application System committee be invited to attend the next ACAT meeting.

Kyra Kubrak updated Council on the work of the Secretariat since the last meeting.

4. Annual Report

The Annual Report will be completed and distributed to Council for via e-mail for review, comment and adoption.

5. Admission to the Transfer System

Council created draft criteria regarding the admission of new member institutions to the transfer system. The Admissions sub-committee will first be asked to review and comment on the draft criteria. The revised draft will then be sent to Council members for input. The third draft criteria will then be sent to ACAT stakeholders for comment. Finalized criteria will be presented to Council at the October 10, 2006 meeting.

6. Education Articulation

Merla Bolender provided members with an update of the Social Studies and Mathematics curricula implementation. An ACAT Mathematics articulation committee will be established to review the changes to the Math curriculum.

7. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be October 10, 2006 at Portage College in Lac La Biche. Council will then meet with ACAT Contact Persons at the annual Committee of Contact Persons' meeting on October 11.

Meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.