



**ABORIGINAL EDUCATION  
COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS  
March 11, 2020**

**Fraser-Cascade  
Aboriginal Education  
Council  
Representatives**

**Leanne Bowcott**  
*Chair*

**Dolores O'Donaghey  
Cheryl Davidson  
Thelma Florence  
Norma Webb  
Andy Phillips  
Wayne Bobb Sr.  
Dana Andrews  
Debra Schneider  
Diana Stromquist  
Amy Charlie  
Andy Alex  
Pedro Moreno  
Stephanie Fredette  
Bonnie Nickel  
Heaven Regnier  
Ron Johnstone  
Cathy Speth**

**SD78 Administration**

**Dr. Karen Nelson**  
*Superintendent of Schools*

**Kevin Bird**  
*Assistant Superintendent*

**Stan Watchorn**  
*Principal, Kent Elementary*

**SD78 Native Education**

**Rod Peters**  
*District Aboriginal Education  
Coordinator*

**Miranda Cowan**  
*Secretary*

**NEXT AEC MEETING:**

**Wednesday, April 15, 2020  
@ 9:00 a.m.  
Board of Education Office**

**REGULAR SESSION**

**Presentation:** Joe Heslip from the Ministry of Education explained the Equity and Action Plan and invited Fraser-Cascade to participate in the project.

**Business Arising From Previous Minutes**

• **Podium Update**

The sasquatch mask podium was unveiled by the AEC at the February 28<sup>th</sup> Pro D. Chair Bowcott will follow up with Carl Stromquist to check on his podium progress.

• **April 29, 2020 Collaborative Meeting**

The UBC Residential School History and Dialogue Centre and longhouse were not available for this date. DAEC Peters will arrange for a meeting based around curriculum development.

• **Parent and Youth Conferences**

Chair Bowcott and Representative Speth met with support workers in February and started planning the two fall conferences.

• **Indigenous Sports Day**

Alana Cook from ISPARC attended the February support worker meeting via conference call where events and possible dates were chosen. The event will be hosted by Silver Creek Elementary towards the end of the school year.

• **Hope Secondary House Post Raising Ceremony**

The house post ceremony will take place on March 13<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 AM in the HSS gym. Invitations have been sent out and the support workers have planned a light meal after the event.

• **Indigenous Education and District Pro D**

The Pro D day was a success with nearly 300 people attending and over 30 people attending the Sara Davidson parent presentation.

**New Business**

• **TREC Support Worker**

Antoine McHalsie was the successful candidate for the posted support worker position at TREC.

**Committee Reports**

Minutes or Highlights from each Committee that met during the last month were included in Agenda packages.

• *Siya:ye Yoyes:* Next meeting will be March 6th, 2020.

• *Operations and Facilities:* Next meeting will be May 5th, 2020 @ 4:30.

• *Education:* Next meeting is April 14th, 2020 @ 4:30.

• *Policy Development:* Next meeting is April 28th, 2020 @ 4:30.

- *Budget Advisory*: April 6th, 2020 @ 4:30.
- *DPAC*: Next meeting is March 4th, 2020 at Kent Elementary.
- *Technology Committee*: Next meeting to be announced.
- *Special Education Committee*: Next meeting to be announced.
- *Careers & Transitions Committee*: Next meeting to be announced.
- *Gifted Education Committee*: Next meeting to be announced.
- *Pro-D Committee*: Next meeting to be announced.

**District Coordinator's Report**

- Copies of the DAEC's report were distributed at the meeting.

**Updates and Announcements**

- An AEC Budget meeting will be held April 15 at 1:00 at the DEO.
- The Canoe magazine distributed after spring break.
- The April meeting package will not be printed.
- The district Career Fair will be held May 7<sup>th</sup> at the Hope and District Recreation Centre.

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