

ABORIGINAL EDUCATION
COUNCIL MEETING
HIGHLIGHTS
October 10, 2018

REGULAR SESSION

Fraser-Cascade Aboriginal Education Council Representatives

Cathy Speth Chair

Dolores O'Donaghey Cheryl Davidson Thelma Florence Norma Webb **Andy Phillips Brooke Bobb-Reid** Dana Andrews **Debra Schneider Diana Stromquist Amy Charlie** Andy Alex **Margaret Peters** Jade Ernest Leanne Bowcott Heaven Regnier Ron Johnstone Tom Hendrickson

SD78 Administration

Dr. Karen NelsonSuperintendent 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, November 14, 2018 @ 9:00 a.m.

Board of Education Office

Business Arising From Previous Minutes

• Staffing

All continuing and temporary FNSW positions have been filled.

• District Wide Orange Shirt Day

All schools participated by recognizing orange shirt day on October 1st. Survivor Thelma Florence was invited to speak at two schools, students in Boston Bar joined the community Walk for Reconciliation, Silver Creek facilitated the Blanket Exercise, and schools held assemblies as well as additional classroom lessons and gathering for group heart photographs.

Polling Stations

The council decides to explore the possibility of having on-reserve polling stations to ensure all voters in the area have equal opportunities to vote. The topic will be revisited over the next few years to ensure a plan is ready for the next election.

Committee Reports

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

- *Siya:ye Yoyes:* Planning for the Aboriginal Youth Leadership Conference in Langley is underway. Next meeting is November 5th, 2018.
- Operations and Facilities: October 16th, 2018 @ 4:30.
- Education: An example of personalized learning was shown with an example of a hands on year-end science project that was used to demonstrate an alternative to written final exams. Next meeting is November 13th, 2018 @ 4:30.
- *Policy Development:* New policies have gone for first reading: purchasing and tendering, accumulated operating surplus, permanent school closures, nutrition in schools, school closured in emergency situations and the role of the trustee liaison at PAC meetings. Next meeting is December 4th, 2018 @ 4:30.
- Budget Advisory: November 26th, 2018 @ 4:30.
- DPAC: November 7th, 2018 @ HSS.
- *Technology Committee*: District firewalls will be upgraded. Next Meeting to be announced.
- Special Education Committee: Oct. 25th, 2018 @ 4:00 at HSS.
- Careers & Transitions Committee: Next meeting to be announced.
- Gifted Education Committee: October 11th @ ACE.
- *Pro-D Committee:* Planning for the March 1st District Pro-D continues, with Ivan Coyote confirmed as the keynote speaker. Next meeting October 24th, 2018 @ 4:00.

District Coordinator's Report

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

Updates and Announcements

No announcements