

**FIRST NATIONS EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE BOARDROOM
OF THE EDUCATION CENTRE
MONDAY, JUNE 12, 2017**

PRESENT: FIRST NATIONS EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES:

Mark Wintjes, Superintendent of Schools, SD27
Jerome Beauchamp, Director of Instruction, Education Services
David DeRose, District Principal, First Nations Education
Tracy Hubner, Secretary, First Nations Education Department
Agnes William, Xenigwet'in First Nation
Norma Sure, Williams Lake Indian Band (T'exelc)
Rosalie Montgomery, Yunesis'in Govt.
Lenore Case, Alexis Creek Indian Band (T'is Del Del)
Melanie Johnny, Anaham Band (T'etinqox Govt.)
Marlene Swears, Cariboo Chilcotin Métis Association
Dawna Short, Alt. Cariboo Chilcotin Métis Association
Bruce Baptiste, Trustee
Darlene Louie, Canoe Creek/Dog Creek Band (Stswecem'c/Xgat'tem)
Lacey-Dawn Testawich, Cariboo Chilcotin Teachers Association
Calvin Dubray, Cariboo Chilcotin Principals/Vice Principals Association
Willow MacDonald, Trustee 100 Mile
Cheryl Chapman, Soda Creek Band (Xats'ull)
Shirley Diablo, Toosey Band (T'esqox)

ABSENT: Vacant, ?Esdilagh (Alexandria Band)
Alice Tresierra, IUOE
Marietta Cahoose, Ulkatcho Band (Ulkatchot'en)
Michelle Archie, Canim Lake Band (Tsq'escen')
Representative, District PAC
R. Irene Johnson, Eskêtemc First Nation

A. CALL TO ORDER: Rosalie Montgomery called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

WELCOMING:

i) Welcome to Secwepemc Territory:

Darlene Louie from Canoe Creek/Dog Creek Band provided the welcome to Secwepemc Territory.

we produce. Our District has a challenge to get teachers to come here. We continue to attend job fairs. We are holding fewer meetings during the day as we have a shortage of on-call teachers. We are looking at some incentives to get teachers here.

- Applied Designs Skills and Technology Curriculum: Such as sewing, cooking, building, computer coding and computational programming. Producing kits that teachers can sign out to use in their classrooms. ADSD units are a month to 3 months in length.
- Successful Learner Traits: Core competencies, another new part to the curriculum. We would like to have these posters “Indigeneyezed”. What animals would FNEC like to see on these that are applicable to the local culture?
- Tech Committee put together an entire scope and sequence for SD27.
- ADSD curriculum. Next year it will be in full implementation.
- Attended the Role Model Celebration. Excellent.
- Regional Early Years Transition Program. How to better move children from preschool to kindergarten. It takes all year to learn more about them. There is a pilot project at the Ministry of Education. Next meeting about this is October 13

SPECIAL PRESENTATION: Bussing by Randy Gudbranson & Kevin Futcher, Secretary Treasurer

Randy Cobb and Kevin Futcher answered questions on the bus system from FNEC members.

ii) District Principal, First Nations Education Report: David DeRose

- May 9: Rural Sec. meeting in Anaham to explore thought of grade 11 and 12 scenario for out there. Spent the day discussing all the avenue. See how many students could go out there. A good meeting.
- Principals meeting in the evening: May 11
- Role Models presented to the Board. They did a great job.
- May 31 WLIB career fair. An amazing amount of work Norma put into this. The potential overall opportunities for the students. Many excellent booths. Very well put together.
- 100 Mile Grad June 2. Many First Nations students. 103 First Nation graduates this year.
- Attended an Orange Shirt Day meeting on June 5. Sept. 29 will be the date for students to celebrate this year.
- Role Model: Thank you to FNEC for bringing food for the feast.
- June 7 Suspension Hearings in 100 Mile.
- Attended Grow Graduation on June 7. Gave a speech.
- Aboriginal day celebrations: Role models and one class from Marie Sharpe Elementary with us. Role Models to perform poetry readings at Ab. Day festivities.
- Budget 2016-2017: 1352 up about 20 students for Sept. 2017 in the early projections.

iii) Superintendents Report: Mark Wintjes

- Mark is officially Superintendent. No longer Acting Superintendent.
- Attended the graduation ceremonies: seeing the numbers of First Nation graduates was tremendous.
- Attended the dry grad ceremonies: Students were having a lot of fun.
- Took in David DeRose's drum making class at Marie Sharpe.
- Hoop Dancing with Francis Johnson at Marie Sharpe and also for Role Model night. Both groups did very well.
- UBC Teacher Education Field placements: Doing a 3 week practicum in various places. We hope to recruit from them.
- Taryn Aumond will be the Manager of Human Resources when Rob Taylor, Director of Instruction, Human Resources retires.
- Dean Coder will be the new Director of Instruction, Education Services.
- New Principals: Lac La Hache, Naghtaneqed, Alexis Creek. Temporary Vice Principal for PSO. Short listing tomorrow.
- Recruitment for teachers.

iv) Governance Committee Report: Vacant

v) Regional Education Committee Report: Michelle Archie

No report

vi) Superintendent's Liaison Committee Report: Lenore Case

Lenore Case was not able to attend this meeting.

Mark Wintjes added: A local author presented. There was a bit more language on policy. A fairly short meeting.

vii) Budget Report: David DeRose (budget information handout in packages today)

David DeRose's budget report was reviewed. Showed spending to end of May 2017. This includes proposals to May 31, 2017.

ii) IUOE Report: Alice Tresierra, IUOE President/Business Manager Local 959 (Not present)

Recommended Motion – THAT the First Nations Education Committee receives the reports of the Director of Instruction – Education Services, District Principal of First Nations Education, and the Superintendent

Moved: Marlene Swears **Seconded:** Willow MacDonald
CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

E. BUSINESS:

a) Sense of Belonging:

i) Proposals:

i) Cataline Elementary School Proposal: \$1,400.00

There was discussion on this cultural proposal:

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ii) Naghtaneq Elementary/Jr. Secondary School Proposal: \$772.80

There was discussion on this cultural proposal:

CONSENSUS

iii) Alexis Creek Elementary/Jr. Secondary School Proposal: \$340.00

There was discussion on this cultural proposal:

CONSENSUS: FNEC IN SUPPORT OF UP TO \$460.00 (FNEC WANTED A BIT MORE FOR LUNCH FUNDS)

iv) École Nesika Elementary School Proposal: \$489.92

There was discussion on this cultural proposal:

CONSENSUS

b) First Nations Role Models: Update by Tracy Hubner

Role Models: Invited to board of education meeting Tuesday, May 30, 2017

First Nations Education Department took the 2016 Role Models out to dinner prior to having them address the Board of Education on their year as Role Models.

Role Model Celebration: Tuesday, June 6, 2017

Lots of positive feedback from this evening.

We gave the candidates all engraved water bottles with their jackets.

Role Model posters have all been sent out to the Bands and First Nations Organizations. Alexis Creek Indian Band will make a keep-sake crown for Shantae Guichon for next year and Eskêtemc First Nation will make one for Dallas George. This request has gone to the Bands.

Aboriginal Day Parade:

First Nations Education Department will chaperone the new 2017 Role Models in the Aboriginal Day Parade 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, June 21. Following opening ceremonies at Boitano Park, they will then read the winning poems from the Aboriginal Day Poetry Contest. Finally, they will be ushered through the crowd to hand out their bookmarks.

Stampede Parade:

The Role Models will be special guests of Anaham Band (Tl'etinqox) for the Stampede Parade.

Kamloops Pow Wow 2017:

The Role Models have received their Kamloops Pow Wow package to attend in August. We will pay for gas, meals, accommodation and Pow Wow registration costs.

- c) **Jerome Beauchamp: Core Competencies 6. And 8 posters for Successful Learning Traits: There are two versions, one primary and one intermediate. It is being used this year. Grade 8 & 9 doing something else.**

8 Successful Learning Traits: Thoughtful, Compassionate, Strategic, Creative, Confident, Enthusiastic, Risk Taking, Industrious.

Students make a report at the end of the year to go with the report card. They have to look at all of these and write what kind of learner they are. It helps kids discover what kind of learners they are.

Jerome Beauchamp asked FNEC what kind of animals they should have on these cards for our area.

Risk Taker: Coyote or weasel

Confident: Bear

Creative: Fox and coyote and raven

Enthusiastic: Horse

Strategic: Salmon

Thoughtful: Owl

FNEC Rep for Principals Interviews: June 13, 2017 11-noon.

David DeRose asked if there were any volunteers from the FNEC table?

Shortlist on 13th and interviews on Friday.

Melanie Johnny and Marlene Swears both offered. We used Marlene Swears.

d) Student Achievement:

i. Student Boarding Allowance Presentation: Jackie Shaw, Executive Assistant 1:00 p.m.

This is also online. Contact me directly if you need more. If a student is moving to town to go to school, they still have to have a home on the Band. Proof of home residence in the community (utility bill) etc. can be asked for.

Grow students need to attend a minimum of 20 hours a week. Good attendance or they can be removed from the list.

Any unexcused absences it is deducted from the cost to boarding parents. Payments are always different due to number of days they attend.

Questions: No questions.

ii. Skyline School: Bella Coola Trip Presentation 1:30 p.m. Cancelled.

iii. Graduation 2017: 103 First Nations Graduates

• PSO Grad: Friday, June 2, 2017

David DeRose attended this graduation ceremony.

• Lake City Secondary School (WL Campus) Graduation: June 9, 2017

Jerome Beauchamp attended the Lake City Grad: Many First Nations sashes. More boys than normal.

• Grow Grad: Thursday, June 8, 2017

David DeRose attended this Graduation Ceremony and gave a speech to all grads. Probably 80% have school in their future plans. Many received scholarships and bursaries.

3. MÉTIS EDUCATION COORDINATOR:

There was discussion on a request to have a Métis Education Coordinator throughout the School District. We would like to keep track of how their Métis students are doing and also keeping up in the high school years. There was discussion on how they can go about achieving this.

iv. Year in Review Power Point Presentation: By Tracy Hubner

Tracy Hubner gave a presentation on all that the First Nations Education Department took part in over the course of the school year.

C. Language and Culture:

i) Community Visits: David DeRose & Jerome Beauchamp

Community visits: This has carried on since the EA meetings. David DeRose said that he got to 7 communities this year.

D. CLOSE OF MEETING:

Motion to end meeting at 2:27 p.m.

Motion: Willow MacDonald

**Next FNEC meeting will take place Monday,
October 2, 2017**