

**FIRST NATIONS EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE BOARDROOM  
OF THE EDUCATION CENTRE  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2017**

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**PRESENT:      FIRST NATIONS EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES:**

Mark Wintjes, Superintendent of Schools, SD27  
Jerome Beauchamp, Director of Instruction, Education Services (Elementary)  
Dean Coder, Director of Instruction, Education Services (Secondary)  
David DeRose, District Principal, First Nations Education  
Tracy Hubner, Secretary, First Nations Education Department  
Rosalie Montgomery, Yunesi'tin Govt.  
Norma Sure, Williams Lake Indian Band (T'exelc)  
Gloria Eglin, Ulkatcho Band (Ulkatchot'en)  
Bruce Baptiste, Trustee  
Darlene Louie, Canoe Creek/Dog Creek Band (Stswecem'c/Xgat'tem)  
Willow MacDonald, Trustee 100 Mile  
Cheryl Chapman, Soda Creek Band (Xats'ull)  
Shirley Diablo, Toosey Band (Tl'esqox)  
Lenore Case, Alexis Creek Indian Band (Tsi Del Del)  
Calvin Dubray, Cariboo Chilcotin Principals/Vice Principals Association  
Angel Smith, Canim Lake Band (Tsq'escen') Representative  
Crystal-Dawn Langton, CCTA Representative  
Agnes William, Xeni Gwet'in First Nation  
R. Irene Johnson, Eskêtemc First Nation  
Melanie Johnny, Anaham Band (Tl'etinqox Govt.)

**ABSENT:**      Alice Tresierra, IUOE  
Representative, District PAC  
Marlene Swears, Cariboo Chilcotin Métis Association  
Dawna Short, Alt. Cariboo Chilcotin Métis Association  
Lacey-Dawn Testawich, Cariboo Chilcotin Teachers Association  
Michelle Archie, Canim Lake Band (Tsq'escen')  
Natalie McKenzie, ?Esdilagh (Alexandria Band)

**A. CALL TO ORDER:** Rosalie Montgomery called the meeting to order at 10:12 a.m.

**WELCOMING:**

**i) Welcome to Secwepemc Territory:**

Norma Sure from Williams Lake Indian Band (T'exelc) welcomed everybody to Secwepemc Territory.

ii) **Traditional Opening:** Gloria Eglin from Ulkatcho Band provided a Traditional Opening.

iii) **Welcome to First Nations Education Committee Meeting:**

Chairperson, Rosalie Montgomery welcomed everyone to the First Nations Education Committee meeting at 10:12 a.m.

iv) **Introductions:** Introductions were done.

v) **Review/Additions/Deletions to the Agenda:**

**Recommended Motion** - THAT the First Nations Education Committee adopt the agenda of its meeting dated November 6, 2017 as circulated.

Moved: Cheryl Chapman

Seconded: Gloria Eglin

#### **CONSENSUS**

**B. Special Presentation SD27 Policy 3541.1 & 3541.2: Kevin Futcher, Secretary Treasurer SD27**

Kevin was not available today.

Jerome Beauchamp went over policy 3541.1 and policy 3541.2 with FNEC. There was discussion on these policies. Notes to be forward to Kevin Futcher so he can prepare for future meeting with FNEC regarding their concerns.

**C. Approval of the Minutes of the October 2, 2017 Meeting:**

**Recommended Motion** – THAT the First Nations Education Committee adopt the minutes of its meeting dated October 2, 2017 as amended.

Moved: Shirley Diablo

Seconded: Willow MacDonald

**CONSENSUS: Add that FNEC want Kirsty Bowers to do a workshop at FNEC Conference next school year. Her Principal did address this with her. Kirsty said she would be more comfortable at another year. She is presently going to be off in Feb. on Mat. Leave.**

**D. REPORTS:**

i) **Director of Instruction, Education Services Report: Jerome Beauchamp**

- Foundations skills assessment is happening across the District. These are due to the Board office by Friday, Nov. 10, 2017. Gr. 4 and Gr. 7 are in two parts; a

Language Arts section and a Math Section. Part of this assessment is done on computer and part is done on paper. First time the Foundations Skills assessment is done in the fall and not March. Being done earlier to give schools more information about students to direct teaching for that year.

- Early Years: SD27 in a pilot project currently. Met with northern districts, community Agencies came together to talk about the transition to Kindergarten. Across the board we are seeing that kids are not as exposed to literacy (books) and language building opposed to technology. Young parents need to converse with kids about numbers, and read more. Engage them in conversation. Too much screen time is putting them behind when they get to school.

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

- Attended Suspension meeting October 4, 2017.
- Mary's Lunch at Dog Creek Elementary/Jr. Secondary School October 5, 2017.
- Orange Shirt Day meetings with all the agencies.
- Suspension Meeting October 10, 2017.
- Community that Cares meeting October 10, 2017
- District Leadership Team meeting. First Nations Education Department help to move district in good direction.
- Suspension hearing October 19, 2017.
- Pro D Workshop with FNCSW and FNYLW: AMS, the WHY of Education addressed. How to move forward in education.
- Budget Meeting with Norine Durban: Oct. 10
- LEA meeting at Ulkatcho on October 24. Scheduled to return.
- Nenqayni Family Class graduation ceremony October 25
- October 26 LEA review with WLIB. Next meeting last Thurs. of every month.
- October 3 met with teachers and support staff at Columneetza on "How can we improve moving kids forward from Columneetza campus to WL Campus" at Lake City Secondary.

**iii) Superintendents Report: Mark Wintjes**

- Priority Measures: Approximately \$500,000 was given to the District last year to assist in implementing the Supreme Court of Canada decision. We met with the CCTA and agreed on how it would be spent. Approximately \$200,000 was carried forward for this school year as it was unspent due to difficulty in attracting teachers to the positions mid-year. It was agreed that Alexis Creek Elementary/Jr. Secondary would receive another full time teacher to assist with meeting the needs of the students there. Naghtaneqed Elementary/Jr. Secondary teacher time was topped up in order to attract a full time teacher to the school. Marie Sharpe was provided with 0.3 FTE to assist them. Should we be unable to fill the positions that were agreed to; we will have further discussions with the CCTA to try and spend the funds.

- Mark noted that the Province needed 3,500 teachers and hired 3,450. Still needing about 50. Our enrollment numbers are up this year which we did not expect. We do not get additional funding for these extra kids as we are in Funding Protection. It is putting constraints on the District as a whole.
- Classroom Enhancement Fund: The Province thought we needed 2.3 million, but School District's needed to prove that they needed it. School District 27 did this. The Province said that they felt SD27 only needed \$500,000 after reviewing our plan. We then reconfigured and the District said we now need 2.6 million dollars. We walked them through the entire process again and made arguments why we need this money. This was then reduced to about 1.95 million dollars. We had to look at this again. Some schools did not require or qualify for the Classroom Enhancement fund. At the Ministry at the moment; School District 27 is waiting for final approval from the Ministry. We are sitting at 4 remedies. We did attract teachers from Vancouver, due to the lower housing costs here.
- BCPSEA: HR Conference. Norma Sure and Rosalie Montgomery were there also. Culture was looked at.
- Community Meeting on the Cataline Elementary School bus loop is tomorrow. More feedback. This will be the second consultation.
- Aspiring Aboriginal Leaders program: Calvin Dubray is being assisted to do this.
- Meeting on setting directions with where the govt. is heading.
- Meeting with Secretary Treasurers: Support is needed across the whole Ministry.
- Curriculum for grades 11 and 12 being delayed one extra year by the Minister prior to implementing it.

**iv) Governance Committee Report: Vacant**

**v) Regional Education Committee Report: Michelle Archie**

No report

**vi) Superintendent's Liaison Committee Report: Lenore Case**

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

David went over the summary budget he prepared for FNEC. In handouts today. He noted that we are at 82% and should be at 80, so we are pretty close to our budget.

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

**Moved:** R. Irene Johnson    **Seconded:** Shirley Diablo

**CARRIED BY CONSENSUS**

**E. BUSINESS:**

**a) Sense of Belonging:**

**i) Nominal Roll:**

Please ensure your Nominal Roll numbers come into David DeRose and also Tracy Hubner. Jerome explained how this takes place for the Bands and for SD27.

Jerome Beauchamp asked for a copy of each Bands nominal roll. Parents need to keep their kids information up to date in My Education BC he noted.

**ii) Proposals:**

**i) Forest Grove Elementary School Proposal #1: \$126.00**

There was discussion on this cultural proposal:

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**ii) Forest Grove Elementary School Proposal #2: \$178.00**

There was discussion on this cultural proposal:

**DENIED** (Jerome Beauchamp will ensure that these important resources are purchased from another budget)

**iii) Horse Lake Elementary School Proposal #1: \$1,050.00**

There was discussion on this cultural proposal:

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**iv) Horse Lake Elementary School Proposal #2: \$500.00**

There was discussion on this cultural proposal:

**CONSENSUS**

**v) Anahim Lake Elementary/Jr. Secondary School Proposal: \$1,000.00**

There was discussion on this cultural proposal:

**CONSENSUS**

**iii) IUOE Report: Alice Tresierra, IUOE President/Business Manager Local 959 Not available**

**b) Role Models: Tracy Hubner**

October 18: Role Models assisted Tracy with Registration booth for encouraging new Role Models in grade 10 and 11 at Lake City Secondary, WL Campus.

This was done at the Columneetza Campus on October 19 for Grades 8 and 9. There was a good turnout at both campus'. Several staff also took Registration Forms to encourage students.

Finally, on October 27 First Nations Role Models were chaperoned to 100 Mile House. They visited with students at 100 Mile Elementary School and gave out bookmarks. They spent lunch hour at PSO meeting staff and students encouraging First Nations students to run for Role Model.

We financially assisted the Male Role Model to travel to Quesnel Memorial Pow Wow.

**Crowns:**

Reminder to Eskêtemc First Nation to make a keepsake crown for Dallas George.  
Reminder to Tsi Del Del to make keepsake crown for Shantae Guichon

**c) Student Achievement: David DeRose**

David DeRose will gather the following information.

- How we doing report?
- Attendance data records from Aaron Ulrich.

**Community Visits: David DeRose & Jerome Beauchamp**

Community visits: This has carried on since the EA meetings. David encourages Band members to invite him and Jerome to their communities. They want to talk about the WHY of education with them this year.

**F. Close of Meeting: Moved 2:47 p.m.: Melanie Johnny**

**Next FNEC meeting Monday, December 4, 2017**