

**FIRST NATIONS EDUCATION COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE BOARDROOM OF
THE EDUCATION CENTRE
MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2019**

PRESENT: FIRST NATIONS EDUCATION COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES:

Jerome Beauchamp, Director of Instruction, Education Services (Elem.)
David DeRose, District Principal, First Nations Education
Chris VanderMark, Superintendent, SD27
Tracy Hubner, Secretary, First Nations Education Department
Dean Coder, Director of Instruction, Education Services (Secondary)
Lacey-Dawn Testawich, Cariboo Chilcotin Teachers Association
Gloria Eglin, Alt. Ulkatcho Band (Ulkatchot'en)
Angie Delaine, Trustee
Rosalie Montgomery, Yunesit'in Govt.
Loretta Billy, Alt. for Canoe Creek/Dog Creek Band (Stswecem'c/Xgat'tem)
Rick Archie, Williams Lake Indian Band (T'exelc)
Calvin Dubray, Cariboo Chilcotin Principals/Vice Principals Association
Susan Sim, A/President IUOE
Agnes William, Xeni Gwet'in First Nation
Shirley Diablo, Toosey Band (T'esqox)
Dawna Short, Alt. Cariboo Chilcotin Métis Association (morning only)
Michelle Archie, Canim Lake Band (Tsq'escen')
Cecil Grinder, Alt. Anaham Band (Tl'etingox Govt.)

ABSENT: Linda Martens, Trustee
Natalie McKenzie, ?Esdilagh (Alexandria Band)
Representative, District PAC
Darlene Louie, Canoe Creek/Dog Creek Band (Stswecem'c/Xgat'tem)
Melanie Johnny, Anaham Band (Tl'etingox Govt.)
Cheryl Chapman, Soda Creek Band (Xats'ull)
R. Irene Johnson, Eskêtemc First Nation
Lenore Case, Alexis Creek Indian Band (T'si Del Del)
Marlene Swears, Cariboo Chilcotin Métis Association

A. CALL TO ORDER:

Rosalie Montgomery, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

WELCOMING:

i) Welcome to Secwepemc Territory:

Rick Archie from Williams Lake Indian Band (T'exelc) provided the welcome to Secwepemc Territory.

ii) Traditional Opening:

Loretta Billy, Alt. for Canoe Creek/Dog Creek Band (Stswecem'c/Xgat'tem) Band provided a Traditional Opening.

iii) Welcome to First Nations Education Council Meeting:

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

iv) Introductions: Introductions were done.

B. AGENDA AND PREVIOUS MINUTES:

Review/Additions/Deletions to the Agenda:

Recommended Motion - THAT the First Nations Education Council adopt the agenda of its meeting dated April 8, 2019 as circulated.

Moved: Angie Delainey

Seconded: Rick Archie

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Review/Approval of the Minutes of the February 4, 2019 Meeting:

Recommended Motion – THAT the First Nations Education Council adopt the minutes of its Meeting dated March 4, 2019 as circulated.

Moved: Rick Archie

Seconded: Angie Delainey

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C. REPORTS:

i) Director of Instruction, Education Services (Elem.) Report: Jerome Beauchamp

- Jerome spoke about SD27's 'Communicating Effectively' pamphlet. The conversation was centered around the purpose of FNEC to be about working together to address educational issues and that complaints needed to be

addressed using the processes outlined in the “Communicating Effectively” document.

- Tripartite Transportation Agreement – still three (3) communities to sign their agreements and get them in. They were due last Friday. The Board Chair will sign them off tomorrow. Jerome really appreciated the help from Randy Cobb and the First Nations Department with the transportation agreements. The extra service will cost approximately 1/2 million dollars. A working group has been formed with the Provincial Government, First Nations Education Steering Committee, and the Federal Govt. to review the agreements. The Federal Government will be asked to provide this extra Transportation money. There is a separate report that goes with these agreements that explains what is needed extra at various communities.
- Compliance Audits: We currently have an audit on the high school students. Lake City Sec., PSO and PSO Storefront and Skyline and Grow are the ones being audited. This audit includes First Nations students and ELL students as well.

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

- Attended Suspension Hearings on March 6, 2019
- Attended a PLC meeting with Brian Davidson at Nenqayni Wellness Centre
- First Nations Department meeting March 12, 2019
- Management Meeting March 15, 2019
- First Nations Department meeting April 2, 2019
- Transition Meeting WL Campus April 2, 2019
- Attended the P/VP meeting April 4, 2019
- The Transportation Tripartite Agreements have taken the bulk of his time this month.

iii) **Superintendents Report: Chris VanderMark, Superintendent** No report this month.

iv) **Governance Committee Report: Marlene Swears**

The committee has been on hold. Chris and the Board are taking a look at the Committees currently with the partner groups. It is in the forming stage.

v) **Regional Education Committee Report: Cheryl Chapman**

vi) **SD27 Budget Session: Michelle Archie/Cheryl Chapman**

Michelle will update FNEC following the upcoming budget meetings.

vii) **Budget Update: David DeRose (Budget handouts in FNEC pkgs. today)**

David DeRose went over the budget for First Nations Education. We are on target for our finances. He explained how we end up with such a surplus in the budget.

Michelle Archie: Presented the following motion:

MOTION: That Jerome Beauchamp pursues a pilot program for a FNCSW casual replacement. Short term to June 30th.

Motion: Michelle Archie **Loretta Billy seconded**

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Recommended Motion – THAT the First Nations Education Council receives the reports of the District Principal of First Nations Education, Director of Instruction Education Services (Elementary) and the Budget Report

Moved: Michelle Archie

Seconded: Rick Archie

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D. BUSINESS:

a) **Sense of Belonging:**

i) **Proposals:**

1. Nesika Elementary School Proposal: \$1,810.00

There was discussion on this cultural proposal:

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2. Lake City Sec. School (Columneetza Campus) Proposal #1: \$592.36

There was discussion on this cultural proposal:

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3. Lake City Sec. School (Columneetza Campus) Proposal #2: \$1,874.00

There was discussion on this cultural proposal:

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4. Lake City Sec. School (Columneetza Campus) Proposal #3: \$1,250.56

There was discussion on this cultural proposal.

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5. Lake City Sec. School (Columneetza Campus) Proposal #4: \$2,000.00

There was discussion on this cultural proposal:

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6. 150 Mile Elementary School Proposal #1: \$425.00

There was discussion on this cultural proposal:

Tabled: Further information required

7. 150 Mile Elementary School Proposal #2: \$300.00

There was discussion on this cultural proposal:

Tabled: Further information required

8. Marie Sharpe Elementary School Proposal: \$3,910.24

There was discussion on this cultural proposal:

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9. Horse Lake Elementary School Proposal: \$110.80

There was discussion on this cultural proposal:

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ii) IUOE Report: Sue Sim, A/IUOE President/Business Manager Local 959

No report

b) First Nations Role Models: Tracy Hubner

- **Keepsake Crowns:** Female crown is complete.

- **Public Speaking Workshop:** Booked for Wednesday, April 10 in the Boardroom. Alexis Forseille to facilitate.
- **Role Model Selection Date:** At FNEC meeting on Monday, April 8, 2019
- **Role Model Celebration:** 4:00 p.m. Thursday, May 23, 2019 at Marie Sharpe
- **April 23, 2019:** Role Models to present to the Board of Education at Williams Lake Board meeting.

c) **Student Achievement:**

i) **Aboriginal Day Poetry Contest:** Closed Friday, March 8, 2019

Poems are sorted into their categories. Currently being entered on spreadsheets. Then they will be sent off to the judges.

ii) **Tri-partite Transportation Agreement:**

The Transportation Tripartite Signing sheets for each Band were handed out to members. To date, there are three (3) outstanding.

d) **Language and Culture:**

Community Visits: David DeRose & Jerome Beauchamp

Community visits: This has carried on since the Enhancement Agreement meetings. David DeRose encourages Band members to invite him and Jerome Beauchamp to their communities. They want to talk about the WHY of education with them this year. Even if it is just a small group of people.

David reminded everyone that the Enhancement Agreement is a living document that we can change as we move along. The community visits are important as it is a way for the School District to hear from the community.

Trustee Willow MacDonald is willing to attend these community meetings and share on what the School District is doing for First Nations students.

Chris VanderMark, Superintendent for SD27 and David Corbett, Coordinator of Career Programs are both willing to attend with Jerome and David to the communities.

David DeRose reminded FNEC members to attend FNEC meetings and if you cannot; please ensure that your alternate does.

D. **CLOSE OF MEETING:** Rosalie Montgomery gave Motion to end FNEC meeting at 2:48 p.m.

NOTE: Next FNEC meeting Monday, May 6, 2019