

May 13, 2014 – COW Board Meeting Superintendent/Secretary Treasurer Report

**1. Head Count Student Enrollment at May 13, 2014 – 496 students
(up four more students)**

DL: 36
 EES: 23
 LESS: 87
 NES: 191
 NSS: 159
 TOTAL: 496

2. Lucerne School Tragedy Update

- a. Support for students, parents, staff from a range of sources including Child and Youth Mental Health, Selkirk College, Adult Mental Health, EAP, Shelley Bortnick, RCMP Victim Services, RCMP and New Denver Hospice volunteers

3. Branding for SD 10

- a. Tag line: World Class Learning in a Rural Environment
- b. A series of possible logos created by Nikta Bouramand were shared with the Committee of the Whole members at this meeting
- c. Feedback from May 13 COW will be incorporated into re-design of wording and placement of the graphic

4. 2014-15 Budget Process Update

- a. Budget scenario #5 is in process and will be presented May 27th at the Regular Board Meeting (incorporates using some funds from surplus)

5. Payroll/HR/Benefits Professional

- a. Position awarded to Heather Fox from New Denver who has Payroll/HR System Implementation experience with IBM and other large and medium scale systems for six to 8 months; Ms. Fox has an M.BA from SFU and will also create documentation and manuals for training
- b. After 6-8 months, the position will be assumed by Crystal Volansky from Nakusp; Crystal has 3 years of Business Admin degree and a wealth of experience with small and medium business payroll

6. Principal at Lucerne

- a. Posting closes next Monday, May 5th and good number of applications are already received
- b. Interviews will take place as soon as is possible – likely early June

7. ACE-IT Carpentry Program

- a. Plans continue to develop in collaboration with Selkirk College regarding both

- secondary students and adults in a NSS-based ACE-IT program
- b. Desire was ten school-aged students in total and possibly 3-5 adults but course selection at NSS indicated only 12 students in Grades 10-12 interested in Carpentry in 2014-15

8. A Plan to Celebrate and Showcase World Class Learning in SD 10

- a. Project Manager contracted to supervise both the creation of a brochure and creation of a series of short films on innovative educational practices in SD 10
- b. Filmmaker Lisa g Neilson is already in the area for *Reconciliation through Art* film project at Lucerne and NSS and will do interviews and filming June 2-5
- c. SD 10 brochure will be ready by June 30 for use in-district, on the website, and distributed to attract both Canadian and International Students and families to our area
- d. Plan to add to films each year to showcase new innovative practices and programs