

May 27, 2014 – Regular Board Meeting Superintendent/Secretary Treasurer Report

1. Head Count Student Enrollment at May 27, 2014 – 495 students

DL:	37
EES:	23
LESS:	85
NES:	191
NSS:	159
TOTAL:	495

2. Lucerne School Tragedy Update

- a. Finally, some good news! The three missing boys have been found and bodies will be recovered on Wednesday with RCMP dive team assistance.
- b. In week 2, the presenting issues shifted from sadness, cognitive challenges, and open grieving to more conflicts, anger, and acting out grief behaviours
- c. Psycho-educational workshops for Grade 10-12 were provided last week and next week will be offered to Grades 7-9. (Content on recognizing signs and symptoms for trauma and grief, how to help a friend, where to get help.)
- d. Direct mental health support for children and youth as well as parents will continue to be provided by the school counsellor, Child and Youth Mental Health from Nelson and our local counsellor, Bob Ruttenberg
- e. Support for staff through weekly counselling/debriefing by Dr. Todd Kettner from SD 8 and Shelley Bortnick and EAP program
- f. A series of four weekly psycho-educational workshops for adults are being facilitated by Selkirk College, Tanya Thompson (New Denver Hospice) and Shelley Bortnick; 10 grateful adults attended last night's session
- g. Building parent and other community adult capacity is key to children's well-being and healing
- h. Deep gratitude to all our community, regional and provincial partners for their support in the past few weeks and in the months to come!

3. Branding for SD 10

- a. Superintendent has requested mockups of a potential business card, screenshot of logo on website, a b&w rendition, and the May 13 COW-suggested revisions around placement of text
- b. The revisions will be shared electronically with the COW representatives

4. Principal at Lucerne

- a. Process is underway and principal appointment will be made shortly
- b. Apologies for the delay as other events have taken precedence

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

- a. Project is on track for completion by June 30 – both brochure and films
- b. Filmmaker Lisa g Neilson and local young filmmaker, Isaac Carter will do

interviews and filming June 2-5 in three locations: EES, NES/NSS and Lucerne with teachers and students

5. Reconciliation Through Art Project – Student Film Project

- a. Great success last week with Grade 7-9s at Lucerne
- b. This week, a terrific crew of Grade 10s at NSS are making films
- c. Local filmmakers Joanne Alaric is assisting at NSS and Isaac Carter assisted at Lucerne

6. Strike Update

- a. Today was the first day of Phase 2 teacher strike action – positive tone
- b. Both CUPE and teachers walked the picket line outside all four district schools; no unionized employees reported to work; a secondary picket, though not legal, was set up at the Board office and bus garage and not contested
- c. Note clarifications of lockout conditions: Teachers may volunteer to do any extra-curricular activities including graduation, field trips, etc; Teachers are covered at the worksite throughout the instructional day by WorkSafe BC and do not need to leave the premises at lunch