



World Class Learning in a Rural Environment

**October 28, 2014
Regular Board Meeting
Superintendent/Secretary Treasurer Report**

1. Head Count Student Enrollment at October 28, 2014 – 489 students

School	Sept 30, 2013	June 24, 2014	October 17, 2014 (1701 snapshot count)		October 27, 2014
			Head Count	FTE	
Arrow Lakes DL	24	38	24	16.875	31
Burton Academy	0	0	12	3	12
Edgewood School	23	23	30	30	30
Lucerne School	89	87	95	96.375	99
Nakusp Elementary	188	191	165	165	165
Nakusp Secondary	160	159	148	146.4375	152
Total Enrollment	484 students	498 students	474 students	457.6875 students	489 students

1. 1701 Data – Special Needs and Aboriginal Education

- a. Students with Special Needs - 22 students in fundable categories Level 1, 2 or 3; 22 students with Learning Disabilities – total of **44 students**
- b. Students claiming Aboriginal ancestry – **72 students**

2. Edgewood Elementary Bus Route Change November 3, 2014

- a. As a result of 7/30 EES students living on the Burton/Fauquier side of the lake, the EES bus run will be rerouted to pick up and drop off in Fauquier starting Nov 3
- b. District did examine feasibility of amalgamating EES and Edgewood to Nakusp routes, but this is not possible on the 4 day school week as the Edgewood Secondary student day would be lengthened by half an hour and EES students would not return to Fauquier till 4:55 pm (an even longer day for young children)

3. Trustee Elections Update

- a. Chief Elections Officer, Rhonda Bouillet reports that the following people have been acclaimed as trustees for the Board of Education:
 - Southern Zone – Quinn de Courcey
 - Eastern Zone – Rayn Butt-Grau
 - Central Zone – Pattie Adam
 - At-Large – Judy Struck, Lora Lee Brekke
- b. As no election is required, the district will save the elections amount budgeted

4. Operations Department Review

- a. A review of Maintenance and Transportation Operations took place Oct 14-15
- b. Operations Consultant, Doug Templeton, has indicated areas of potential cost savings, safety initiatives and efficiencies will be reported

- c. Report on review findings and recommendations will be submitted to the Board of Education when completed

5. District International Student Program: Update

- a. Team of Ryoko Kobayashi, Heather Dennill and Terry Taylor have met and determined, based on input from Committee of the Whole, district Leadership team and Jan and Pat Dion, that we will pursue some moderate development of the District International Program
- b. These next steps will be taken over the next few months:
 - District will fund 2 blocks of Ryoko's teaching time to lead in International Education program development beginning now; these 2 teaching blocks will be posted
 - District brochure will be reworked to identify SD 10's strengths in academic performance, post-secondary transitions, and scholarships achieved
 - Explore recruitment of potential homestay families through advertising and community meetings
 - Develop relationships with agents and countries to increase number of students participating in short and long term international programs
 - Explore possibility of "mom and child" short term programs
 - Explore development of short term cultural programs in summer/spring break with group accommodation and chaperone accompanying students
 - If capacity in homestay families exists, explore an increase of full time 5 month and 10 month students in SD 10 for 2015-16

6. Concerns re: Ebola Addressed

- a. Some community members and staff members have recently returned from Africa raising questions and concerns about possible Ebola risk
- b. Superintendent has been in contact with the Provincial and Regional Medical Health Officer and the Superintendent of Integrated Services and Safe Schools
- c. See attached letter from Dr. Rob Parker to Edgewood Parents stating the facts about transmission and risk of this disease:

" It is important to note that we have not had any Ebola cases in Interior Health hospitals and that there are no confirmed cases in the province or within Canada. The risk to British Columbians remains very low. There is no risk of Ebola in returning travellers from the US, Europe or from African countries other than those specifically listed (currently Sierra Leone, Liberia, Guinea and The Democratic Republic of the Congo.)

7. A Conversation with Larry Espe – Wednesday, October 29th – 9 am – 11:30 am

- a. A team from the Nakusp Secondary and Lucerne Secondary schools (principals, counselors and teachers), WorkBC and Selkirk College as well as the Director of Learning and Superintendent are meeting Wednesday this week with Larry Espe, Superintendent of Trades, Skills and Training for BC
- b. The conversation will include -
 - Overview from the province in Skills and Trades Training Initiatives
 - Inventory current opportunities for trades and skills training in SD 10
 - Opportunities with district partners
 - Identify gaps and challenges
 - Examine next steps