



COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE SCHOOL DISTRICT 10 (Arrow Lakes)

MINUTES

School Board Office

Tuesday, April 14, 2015
7:00 pm

PRESENT:

- MEMBERS:** P. Adam, L.L. Brekke, J. Struck, Q. DeCourcy, R. Butt-Grau, S. Paterson, T. Aeichele, L. Cann, R. Bardati, B. McLeod
- STAFF:** T. Taylor, S. Fehler, H. Dennill, A. Olson
- REGRETS:** A. McKee, C. Yaremchuk
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1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair P. Adam called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Moved by J. Struck seconded by S. Paterson that the agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

3. PRESENTATIONS:

Emergency Preparedness Plan Guidelines

- Presented and discussed by H. Dennill and A. Olson

Art Olson left the meeting.

A. REPORTS:

- a) **DPAC (B. McLeod)**
- Report Attached
- b) **STUDENTS (T. Aeichele, C. Yaremchuk, L. Cann)**
- Nakusp Secondary School



- Sr. Soccer Girls went to Kelowna, going to Cranbrook, Osoyoos, home tournament May 1 & 2, hosting playoffs in Nakusp
- Dance May 1st (Hawaiian Theme)
- Boys golf started
- Multi-Cultural happened just before spring break
- Yellow day coming up
- Jeans Day April 30
- Terry Fox Run April 13
- Gr 11 applied to Beijing (1 week in summer)
- Yearbook being finalized
- Grads looking for frames
- June 12&13 for grad
- Band going to Kelowna to Jazz Festival this weekend
- Time to start looking for COW members - P. Adam will message T. Aeichele

T. Aeichele and L. Cann left the meeting.

- Lucerne Secondary-Elementary School
 - No Report

- c) **ALTA (R. Bardati)**
 - AGM, May 6th; R. Bardati running for President
 - May 16th district Pro-D day at Bonnington
 - Seniority list up-to-date to June 2014
 - Earth Day, April 22

- d) **CUPE, Local 2450 (A. McKee)**
 - No Report

- e) **ALELA (S. Paterson)**
 - Emergency Plan (SEMP)
 - Rocking the Page presenters (sharing our successes)
 - Teacher evaluations
 - School growth plans
 - Budget demands
 - District assessments
 - AbEd Enhancement Meetings and Surveys
 - Looking at staffing and budgets for next year

- f) **SUPERINTENDENT/SECRETARY-TREASURER UPDATE: (T. Taylor)**
 - Report Attached
 - Discussed in detail



g) POLICY MATTERS:

h) OTHER:

a) Committee of the Whole Board Meeting Structure/Frequency

- Students enlisting other students (P. Adam will talk to students)
- CUPE's attendance to COW meetings (P. Adam will add to Liaison meeting)
- May 13th at 7:00pm for next meeting
- Add agenda item to next COW meeting

i) ADJOURNMENT:

L.L. Brekke adjourned the meeting at 8:33 pm.



World Class Learning in a Rural Environment

**April 14, 2015
COW Board Meeting
Superintendent/Secretary Treasurer Report**

Head Count Student Enrollment at April 14, 2015 – 490 students

School	Sept 30, 2013	June 24, 2014	October 17, 2014 (1701 snapshot count)		April 14, 2015
			Head Count	FTE	
Arrow Lakes DL	24	38	24	16.875	38
Burton Academy	0	0	12	3	13
Edgewood School	23	23	30	30	27
Lucerne School	89	87	95	96.375	95
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	490 students

1. New Electrician Hired

- Please welcome newly hired district electrician, Ashley Emery, who starts April 20
- Mr. Emery is a "Master" Electrician and brings a wealth of skills not only in the electrical trades, but also in maintenance, solar energy technologies and HVAC, school PA and telephone systems, as well as school bus driving
- Efficiencies will be realized through hiring an on-staff electrician given the large amount of energy savings work needed in the district

2. Elementary Counselling Services Update

- Though we posted for a teacher counsellor position, the district was unable to secure a satisfactory candidate. As a result, very skilled non-teacher clinicians have been engaged to end of June to provide counselling services.
- Catherine Williams, a MCFD social worker and respected clinical counsellor started counseling Monday, April 13 at Lucerne School
- Shelley Bortnick, highly experienced local MSW counsellor will start at NES and EES on April 23rd

3. 2015-16 Budget Consultation Process Update

- Final budget meeting held: April 14th at 4:30 pm
- The final district budget will be approved at the April 28th Regular Board meeting

4. Job Posting for Executive Assistant

- Posting for Executive Assistant closes April 20th; interviews Wednesday, April 29th
- Excellent cadre of applicants for the role thus far

5. Aboriginal Enhancement Agreement Renewal Process

- District Aboriginal Education Enhancement Renewal is underway
- A survey has been sent to all partners and staff

- Two community consultation meetings are scheduled:
 - i. Lucerne School – April 13th at 6:30 pm
 - ii. Bonnington Arts Centre at NES – April 20th at 6:30 pm
- All are invited to attend; Colleen Hannah from the Ministry will be at the April 20th meeting in Nakusp

6. Green Games Winners

- Ms. Jamison's Grade 6s at NES have just won \$1500 towards a trip to Science World and \$1000 towards environmental projects at their school in the recent Green Games competition
- The class made bird feeders from recycled pop bottles and also constructed wooden bird houses in the NSS woodwork shop

7. Secondary Revisioning Think Tank at UBC-Okanagan – May 13 and 14

- Four secondary teachers and the Superintendent will attend
- SD 10 was the Inaugural Case of the Think Tank and serves in an advisory role with Eagle River Secondary in Sicamous and rural educators from around BC
- Dr. Susan Crichton and Dr. Leyton Schnellert will co-host the Think Tank with Rod Allen from the Ministry and Dr. Linda Farr Darling

8. Rocking the Page! – Virtual (Jan-May) and F2F Writers Festival May 11-13, 2015 <http://rockingthepage.sd10.bc.ca>

- This multi-school cross-province project runs from January 2015 through May
- **7 professional writers** have worked online with the students – generally one each month since January using video conferencing and WordPress blog posts
- **Four classrooms from our district are participating:** Tracey Wallis' Grade 3-7 class at **EES**, Megan Jamison's Grade 6 class at **NES**, Katrina Sumrall/Morgan Taylor's Grade 4/5/6 class at **Lucerne** and Richelle Johnston's English 7/8 and 9/10 classes at Lucerne along with ten other classrooms in districts across BC
- **Rocking the Page Coffeehouses** take place on two evenings at 6:30 pm featuring both student and professional writers: *Monday, May 11th in New Denver and Tuesday, May 12th at the Bonnington in Nakusp*
- Authors **George Bowering, Nikki Tate, Stuart Ross, Morgan Taylor, Linda Crosfield, David Seven Deers and Owain Nicholson** will facilitate workshops with students in each of our schools May 11-13 and perform at the evening coffeehouses. Giant thanks to ArtStarts for their support of this project!

9. Maureen Dockendorf, Superintendent of Reading and Numeracy, and Jan Unwin Superintendent of Graduation and Transitions visit April 27th & 28th

- to discuss the BC EdPlan, new curriculum and core competencies, share the new draft Grad program
- **April 27th – 1:30 – 3 pm** – Lucerne School - Lucerne students, staff and parents
- **April 27th – 6 - 7:30 pm** – Bonnington in Nakusp - parents, students, staff and community
- **April 28th – 9 – 10:30 am** – Nakusp Secondary - NSS students, staff and parents

DPAC Report to COW

Apr. 14/15

- Concern re admin absences raised previously.
 - Is this being worked on for resolution and can we be kept updated?
- Leadership role at school should be #1 priority.
- Winter conditions / power outage protocol
 - safety of students should be #1 priority; discussed that if busses cannot run then perhaps schools should be closed as it would be safer for all (teachers, stay off road then too) etc.
- NES - more parents at March mtg b/c of bullying issues at school. Separate committee was formed; may have cupcake walk in May.
 - ↑ main concern is too many occurrences.
- NSS - Planning Ahead sessions re really productive
 - 5 parents participated;
 - Dinner In The Halls Apr. 27 - main course & drinks mostly funded by PAC & parents providing salads & desserts.
 - Field trip forms - medical conditions etc; can the info be put on a one-sheet report for coach and parent chaperones, care card etc. An incident on the ski/board trip prompted this inquiry. (One student ended up in hospital with asthma attack & a procedure was about to be performed on her but she has a condition that would have made that procedure dangerous. Luckily the parent chaperone knew about that condition & was paying attention. Also the cook for the trip was unaware of a peanut allergy until after the trip was over.

Edgewood - offered to have mtg @ Board office
for teleconferencing

LESS - Immersion week Apr. 20th - 3. cbbb ovens ^{building}

- PAC trying to fund ~~for~~ student planners for
all students, not just elementary.

- Good discussion about Emerg. Mgmt
Guidelines and feedback prepared
for Heather Dennill.

- Internet Access mtg Apr. 9th - much anticipation

DPAC to give \$500 remaining Gaming funds
to ESS for BBA for year end BBA