



**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
<b>Total Enrollment</b>	<b>484 students</b>	<b>498 students</b>	<b>474 students</b>	<b>457.6875 students</b>	<b>490 students</b>

**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 23<sup>rd</sup>

**3. 2015-16 Budget Consultation Process Update**

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

**4. Job Posting for Executive Assistant**

- Posting for Executive Assistant closes April 20<sup>th</sup>; interviews Wednesday, April 29<sup>th</sup>
- 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 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm
  - ii. Bonnington Arts Centre at NES – April 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm
- All are invited to attend; Colleen Hannah from the Ministry will be at the April 20<sup>th</sup> 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 11<sup>th</sup> in New Denver and Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup> 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 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>**

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