



World Class Learning in a Rural Environment

**September 29, 2015  
Regular Board Meeting  
Superintendent/Secretary Treasurer Report**

## 1. September 2015 Enrollment

### My Education BC: Student Enrollment Numbers

As of: September 29-2015

Grade:	Gr.K	Gr.1	Gr.2	Gr.3	Gr.4	Gr.5	Gr.6	Gr.7	Gr.8	Gr.9	Gr.10	Gr.11	Gr.12	TOTALS
BAS														0
DL	2	2	2	4	2	3	1	1			2	1	7	27
EES		1	1	5	2	2	3							14
LESS	4	11	6	13	8	7	5	6	9	7	2	5	8	91
NES	18	15	19	19	20	18	30	28						167
NSS									29	29	31	38	31	158

<b>TOTAL Per Grade</b>	24	29	28	41	32	30	39	35	38	36	35	44	46
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**District Total**

**457**

## 2. CNCP Solar Project Update

- Project preparation timeline extended
  - Structural Upgrades to Lucerne trusses has taken more time – Sept 29
  - Structural Upgrades to NES portable roof – Sept 30-Oct 1
  - RFP (request for proposals) - extended to Sept 30
  - Materials to be delivered – October 13
- Student Renewable Energy/Hands-On Learning Project - October 19 - 23
  - 8 Grade 10-12 students from NSS and Lucerne selected
  - Students will learn about renewable energies, solar grid installations and work alongside an electrical engineer, electrician, carpenter, and Manager of Operations

## 3. Fauquier School Property Update

- Over 20 Fauquier residents attended a public meeting held Monday, September 28 to discuss the district's application for exclusion of the property from the ALR
- RDCK Director Paul Peterson, Southern Zone trustee, Quinn De Courcy and Superintendent Taylor presented information and listened to the needs of the community.
- Overwhelmingly, the community expressed interest in preserving the small piece of land on which the Fauquier School building sits. Use of the building by the community at modest cost is the aim. The Board of Education supports this direction.
- Director Peterson spoke of his willingness to work alongside the district to negotiate a modest sale cost were the land to be subdivided and put up for sale.

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- Currently the building houses a library, internet centre and recreation programs as well as a StrongStart Centre. It has been very well maintained by the community.
- Suggestions about subdivision without exclusion from the ALR were made by some residents. The district will research all possibilities.
- Notices have been placed in local newspapers and a sign erected at Fauquier School informing public of the ALR application.
- Intent of the Board of Education if ALR exclusion is allowed, is to then consider possible subdivision of the land.
- If the land is subdivided, the intent would be to ensure that the current school remains an asset for the community of Fauquier at a reasonable sale price, while one or two additional lots would be offered for sale at market value.

#### 4. Educational Transformation Committee –

- Excellent first meeting held September 21<sup>st</sup> with this committee comprised of teachers, CUPE, DPAC, P/VPs, trustee, and district staff
- Enthusiasm for supporting educational transformation was evident
- Support for teachers exploring and implementing the new curriculum by communicating with parents and community about the new curriculum changes and the need for 21<sup>st</sup> century learning was seen as key to our success
- Next meeting on October 7<sup>th</sup> from 1 to 3:30 pm with Judy Halbert and Linda Kaser

#### 5. New Teacher Orientation Session

- Full day session held on September 29<sup>th</sup> facilitated by Ric Bardati, ALTA President, Principal, Natasha Miles and Superintendent, Terry Taylor
- 11 teachers are new to SD 10 (over 25% of our teaching staff!)
- Review of the ALTA Collective Agreement, an introduction to district successes and district structures, key policies, and conversation what these teachers bring to SD 10 formed the session agenda

#### 6. Bus Update

- Two spare busses are now back in operation.
- Schools are reminded to get their completed field trip forms in at least one week in advance to schedule transportation and ensure that field trips can be approved

#### 7. Inquiring Districts: Activating Learning – Changing Lives

- 15 districts across BC are now engaged in this research study with Dr. Catherine McGregor from UVic, (lead researcher), Dr. Judy Halbert and Dr. Linda Kaser. From Surrey and Richmond to SD 10 and North Island, districts are researching what district practices are most effective in improving learning for students.
- The *Inquiring Districts* consortium met with the Ministry data in Victoria on September 23<sup>rd</sup> – the Ministry is invested in partnering with us to better use data to do this research and inform school and district planning

#### 8. Grant Applications Underway

- Superintendent and Director of Learning are working on applications to ArtStarts and Growing Innovation to fund a cross-district project on Design Thinking and Making Skills.
- A range of local artists, artisans and designers will be engaged to work with students across all schools, focusing on both hands on learning and careers in the arts, in design and trades that use design thinking to solve complex world problems

- A professional grant writer has been engaged to help the district write a range of other grant applications to help support innovative programs across the district.

#### **9. UBC – West Kootenay Teacher Education Program**

- The official opening of the new UBC WKTEP building in Nelson took place on Thursday evening, September 25<sup>th</sup>
- Superintendents from the 4 districts in the West Kootenay Consortium met with Dr. Blye Frank, Dean of Education, and Dr. Wendy Carr, Assistant Dean of Teacher Education on Friday, September 26<sup>th</sup> to discuss the partnership between districts and the regional teacher education program
- Dr. Leyton Schnellert has been appointed as the Academic Advisor to UBC's WKTEP Program now that Dr. Linda Farr Darling has retired.
- This year again, UBC-WKTEP has been invited to attend SD 10's Pro-D days along with our district teachers – October 16<sup>th</sup> and November 23<sup>rd</sup> days will include the 28 teacher candidates in the 2015-16 cohort