

# EDUCATION PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE SCHOOL DISTRICT 10 (Arrow Lakes)

# **MINUTES**

School Board Office Date: Tuesday December 11, 2018

6:05pm

**PRESENT:** 

MEMBERS: L. Brekke, M. Teindl, C. Dixon, D. Simon, R. Farrell, N. Graves (ALELA),

D. Lasseter (NSS Student)

**STAFF**: T. Taylor, L. Newman, M. Grenier

**REGRETS:** R.Bardati, CUPE, DPAC

**OTHER:** 

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER:

Board Chair M. Teindl called the meeting to order at 6:05pm.

Acknowledgement of Territory

# 2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Moved by L. Brekke, seconded by R. Farrell that the agenda be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED** 

#### 3. PRESENTATIONS:

Nil

#### 4. REPORTS:

- a) CUPE, Local 2450 No report
- b) DPAC No report
- c) ALELA (P. Gajda)
  - Report attached
- d) STUDENTS

- Students of NSS are really enjoying the 12 Days of Christmas celebration taking place at the school
- e) ALTA (R. Bardati) No report

## 5. SUPERINTENDENT/SECRETARY-TREASURER UPDATE: (T. Taylor):

a) Superintendent Report presented in detail (report attached)

#### 6. POLICY MATTERS:

## 7. OTHER

a) Student Safety: Speeding in School Zones, Passing School Busses

## 8. Recommendations to Regular Meeting:

a) EPC Recommendation: That the Board of Education for School District 10 (Arrow Lakes) advocate with RCMP and our communities to address the current student safety issues as shared, including vehicles speeding in school zones, vehicles passing school busses.

#### 9. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:57pm.

# ALELA EPC Report December 11, 2018

## Nakusp Elementary School

- Nakusp Elementary is furiously preparing for our Winter Concert, which will be held at 6:30pm on December 18<sup>th</sup>. This mix of song, recorder, prose, and skits should be very entertaining. Ms. Kelly Coubrough has been helping many classes prepare their songs.
- Pat Bruderer has been in working on Birch Bark Biting with all classes which they will use for Holiday cards
- The Fun Fair will take place on our last afternoon of school before the break- Dec 21<sup>st</sup>. Students will have the opportunity to take part in activities and win prizes. Tickets are 50 cents each
- Basketball and intramurals are both off for the short term as the gym is occupied by the stage
- Thrive after 3 will continue for this week but will be off next week
- The grade 7 trip to Quebec is coming along. We are still short some billets for students coming here but Leslie, Sean and Brent continue to work at this. Our students will be going to Rowden February 20-27<sup>th</sup> and we will be visited by their students May 8-15<sup>th</sup>.
- Staff has started planning a Math night for families on February 6<sup>th</sup> with the support of Cynthia Nicol and Lindsay Reynolds.

## Lucerne Elementary Secondary School

- We held the following this past month
  - o K to 6 swimming is now finished
  - o Gr 2 to 6 went to Nakusp Library and participated in Equine Assisted Learning
  - o Remembrance Day Assembly on Wednesday Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>
  - o Gr. 5/6 went to Kaslo for a volleyball tournament and did exceptionally well for a couple days of practice
  - o Our Scholastic Book Fair was a success and we sold over \$1200 worth of books
  - o The K to 6 students celebrated their writing with a publishing party
  - o Two speakers came from Transconnect to speak about various SOGI issues; parents were sent a notice about these presentations
  - o Grade 10-12 students wrote the Graduation Literacy Assessment, and will have the opportunity to write the Graduation Numeracy Assessment in January
- Breakfast program is going very well and we are seeing a lot of students pick up Monday morning breakfast
- The student council has organized 12 days of spirit for the run up to the winter holidays, activities kicked off Monday
- On Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> the principal and some staff from Eagle River Secondary are coming to visit our school to see the innovative practices that are occurring here, they are particularly interested in our investigations class, café connections, and our music program
- More than a quarter of parents responded to the survey on the student led conference, most of the responses were very positive, some parents wanted more teacher talk, and a greater focus on academics.
- Our Winter concert will be held on Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30

# Nakusp Secondary School

- NSS hosted their annual Remembrance Day and Veteran's Tea on November 8<sup>th</sup>
  - o Student led event, including MC, the school band and readers
  - o Focused on Aboriginal Remembrance Day (same date)
- Grade 10 and 11 students wrote the Graduated Literacy Assessment Field Test in mid-November
- Twelve Days of Christmas events continue this week
  - o 'Deck the Halls' kicked things off last Thursday, and our events will culminate in Reindeer Games on December 21<sup>st</sup> in the afternoon
    - Other events include Food Drive, Hot Chocolate Day, Candy Grams and Pictures with Santa
- NSS clothing orders continue to be popular
- Grads of 2019 continue to fundraise for their June event
  - o Sandbags are now available at various locations around town
  - They almost sold out of tickets for the draw for the loads of firewood and NAPA gift basket
    - A huge thank-you to the community for their support in the fundraising efforts
- MP Richard Cannings is visiting NSS on Tuesday, December 18<sup>th</sup> in response to letters students sent him and the government on Residential Schools, a topic they learn about in First Nations 12 and Social Studies 9 classes
- Grade 9 students participated in the Hart Creek Restoration project, planting trees on the banks of the creek
- Team of Educators from Eagle River Secondary School are visiting NSS this week to discuss some innovative practices at our school
  - o They especially want to visit the thinking classroom concepts in Science, Math and French class, as well as discuss our intramurals program and Monday electives
- The band performed at the Rotary Christmas Carol night and did a great job!
- Intramurals and house teams continue to go well the Owls have taken over the lead after winning 'Deck the Halls' and earning many points on Toques and Christmas hat day

## Edgewood Elementary School

- Christmas Concert on Wednesday, December 9th at 6 pm
- EES will be carolling on the Ferry tonight
- Mr. Johnston's class have been experimenting with sour dough, so expect to see some as fundraisers for the Quebec trip.
- We have purchased Spikeball gear and our students love it. Look for a Spikeball tournament soon.

#### **Burton Elementary School**

- BES Family Luncheon will be held on December 20<sup>th</sup> and starts at noon
- The BES class has been working on their inquiry projects. Stop by and check out the great work



# **December 11, 2018**

Superintendent/Secretary Treasurer Report
Presented at the Education Partnership Committee,
and Regular Meeting of the Board of Education

## 1. Child Care Grant and potential additional child care space at Lucerne School

- ➤ A group of interested parents and child care professionals who are forming a non-profit society met with the Superintendent, Manager of Operations and Lucerne School Principal to discuss community needs for additional child care and potential space at Lucerne School
- The team considered several Ministry grants to provide capital funding for upgrading unused and decommissioned classroom space at Lucerne School in New Denver
- Up to \$1 M in capital grants is available from the New Spaces Childcare fund and we are considering applying for this funding
- As a first step, early childhood educators in New Denver drafted a survey with input from the school and the survey will be sent to parents this week
- The childcare survey will assess child care needs and be distributed to families from Enterprise Creek, Red Mountain, Silverton, New Denver, Rosebery and Hills
- > During and after school care were discussed with a tentative plan to provide child care from 8 am to 5 or 6 pm Monday to Friday including Pro-D days and school holiday periods
- Were a non-profit group to approach the district about child care spaces in Nakusp, the district would consider pursuing this option as we know adequate child care is a critical need in our communities

#### 2. December Enrollment notes – another small enrollment increase

- > Enrolment is up again slightly this month with two more students registering at Edgewood School
- > This brings district enrolment up two since October 2018 which saw five more students than September
- > Below is the monthly enrolment chart by school and grade:

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As of:	Dec 5-18															
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	Nov	Dif
ALDL	2	2	6	1	3	3	4	3	1	2	0	6	8	41	40	1
BES	3	3	4	2										12	12	0
EES	1	1	1	2	1	0	7	2						15	13	2
LESS	8	8	7	3	11	6	12	8	7	4	7	5	5	91	91	0
NES	25	12	16	26	22	21	27	24						173	173	0
NSS									21	32	28	19	23	123	124	-1
TOTAL Per Grade	39	26	34	34	37	30	50	37	29	38	35	30	36			
District Total														455	453	2

#### 3. Playground Equipment Ordered with Spring Installation

- ➤ At long last, we have completed the consultation process at Lucerne School with staff, parents and the Slocan Lake Early Learning Society for input on their ideas to replace the two playground structures identified in a 2017 audit
- > Equipment should arrive in early spring for installation as soon as the weather cooperates!

#### 4. M in STEM Pop-Ups

- ➤ On February 5<sup>th</sup> at NES, a Mathematics professor from UBC and her research assistant will be working with students and staff at NES to design interesting math problems and solutions that will be shared with parents and families during the evening on February 6<sup>th</sup>
- ➤ Dr. Cynthia Nicol from UBC and doctoral student, Lindsay Reynolds, will host an M in STEM Family Night session at Lucerne on the evening of February 5<sup>th</sup> and for NES families on the 6<sup>th</sup>
- During the school day on February 6<sup>th</sup>, our Arrow Lakes DL School students and their parents will be engaging in math problems and puzzles with the UBC mathematics experts
- > SD 10 student results in mathematics have been improving over the past few years and we look forward to working with parents and families deepening ways to support the learning of their children, as well as learning more ways to engage our students and teachers in critical and creative thinking numeracy
- The UBC M in STEM team will return to the district in the spring to work with high school students, teachers and families as well as our Southern Zone schools

#### 5. Ministry Special Education Audit

- The district has received notice that during the week of March 11<sup>th</sup>, we will have an audit team from the Ministry visit to audit Special Education files
- Audits ensure that all the appropriate documentation is completed accurately and that provision of services to students who are claimed for Special Education funding is in keeping with assessments
- Lorna Newman, our Director of Learning, is working hard with Learning Support teachers and principals and vice-principals to organize files and prepare for the audit

#### 6. District Plan for Learning (a sneak preview of our new website)

- Executive Assistant/HR Manager Michelle Grenier and Superintendent Taylor have been hard at work along with local web designer, Nikta Bouramand, to create a more engaging website telling the story of learning in our school district
- > Evidence of student learning, our plans to enhance learning and results will be shared on the site
- Our Plan for Learning aligns with the Ministry of Education <u>Policy for Student Success</u> and the Framework for Enhancing Student Learning

#### 7. "Community Career Connections" – a film about our secondary students exploring careers in community

- Our latest SD 10 film documents secondary school students from NSS and Lucerne working with local timber frame builders from Dave Madden Construction as they construct the outdoor classroom at Nakusp Elementary School
- > The second half of the film features another career community connection as our students work and learn alongside a solar engineer, local electrician and school district carpenters to install solar grids on NES and NSS roofs
- Many thanks to local filmmaker, Isaac Carter from iCandy films for his film documentation of these handson community projects as well as Dave Madden and his crew for taking the risk to have students work on a big timber frame project!