



# EDUCATION PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE SCHOOL DISTRICT 10 (Arrow Lakes)

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## MINUTES

School Board Office

Date: Tuesday May 21, 2019  
6:00pm

### PRESENT:

**MEMBERS:** L. Brekke, D. Simon, C. Dixon, R. Farrell, P. Gajda (ALELA), R. Bardati (ALTA)

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

**REGRETS:** DPAC, CUPE, Students

**OTHER:**

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER:

Board Chair M. Teindl called the meeting to order at 6:06 pm.

Acknowledgement of Territory

### 2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Moved by R. Bardati, seconded by R. Farrell that the Agenda be adopted as presented.

**CARRIED**

### 3. PRESENTATIONS:

a) Burton Bus Route (attachment)

b) AED Protocol (attachment)

### 4. REPORTS:

a) DPAC  
No report

b) ALELA (P. Gajda)  
• Report attached

c) STUDENTS  
No report

d) ALTA (R. Bardati)  
No report

e) CUPE, Local 2450  
No report

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

a) Superintendent Report presented in detail (report attached)

**6. POLICY MATTERS:**

Nil

**7. OTHER:**

Nil

**8. Recommendations to Regular Meeting:**

Nil

**9. ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm.



# *BURTON SCHOOL BUS PROPOSAL*

*Presented at the May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019  
EPC meeting*



# *Background*

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- During February 2019 Budget consultations, Burton Elementary parents identified concerns about bussing
- On May 14<sup>th</sup>, Burton parents attended a meeting with Vice Principal, Brent Cook, Manager of Operations, Art Olson, and Superintendent Taylor to explain the problems for students and families
- Currently, BES is served by a school bus that passes south towards Fauquier, picks up BES students starting at 7:25, travels to Fauquier to meet the Edgewood high school bus, and then proceeds back north to BES at 8:14 am
- In the afternoon, the bus leaves Nakusp heading south, stops for pick up at BES at 3:38 , heads to Fauquier, and the last Burton students arrive at their stop at 4:43 pm



# *The Issue*

- Burton School's K-3 students north of Burton, travel for up to 50 minutes in the morning to get to school and up to an hour and five minutes after school each day --- these young kids are then very tired at school
- Currently there are six students living north of the school along Hwy 6; next year, six to eight, for a total of eighteen students (21 BES students in 2020-21)
- Highway 6 speed limit is 100 km/h, making walking along the highway dangerous, especially for young children





## *Three Potential Solutions*

1. Provide bus transportation specifically for BES
2. Purchase a van for transporting northern students with a CUPE driver
3. Change the existing Transportation Assistance Policy to fit BES families



# *analysis*

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- Solution 3: Alter Transportation Assistance Policy
  - Benefit: Minimal financial cost
  - Cost: Potential loss of enrollment and sustainability of BES
- Solution 2: Purchase a Van and hire CUPE Driver
  - Benefit: Short term option for 6 students
  - Cost: Initial purchase, insurance, bus driver; passenger vans for regular student use are classified as bus and subject to CVSE regulations and safety enhancements
- Solution 1: Provide Bus Transportation/New Route
  - Benefit: An investment in BES that would serve all students; considerably shorter bus rides for young learners; student safety
  - Cost: Spare bus from Nakusp, bus driver wages; fuel, maintenance

- Bus Driver Wages (4 hour minimum x 4 days/week)

- \$23,000

- Fuel Costs

- \$10,000


- Maintenance Costs

- \$5000 - \$7500

Total Cost:      \$38,000 - \$40,500

# *Solution 1: BES Bus Costs*





# *How will we afford this?*

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- Potential reduction in maintenance costs due to new busses
- Potential reduction in # of field studies trips, or more amalgamation and coordination of bus field trips
- Potential for grants for transportation
- Add additional costs to amended budget in January 2020



## *Recommendation:*

- That the Board of Education fund the cost of regular bus transportation to serve Burton School for the 2019-20 school year.



## SD10 (Arrow Lakes) District Protocol

### AEDs in Schools

#### Overview

School District 10 recognizes that AEDs in secondary schools may be installed in consultation with the school community as per the Board of Education motion on February 19, 2019.

AEDs, while easy to use, require ongoing management and maintenance. The majority of malfunctions in AEDs, and as a result, district liability due to these malfunctions, are due to improper maintenance or battery failure. In addition, a well-designed AED Program includes training of volunteers and staff, testing and maintenance of the devices.

This protocol is designed to ensure that AEDs if approved in secondary schools, are always maintained, in compliance, registered with local Emergency Medical Services, and ready for use should they be called upon.

#### Maintenance Procedures

- 1) District maintenance staff will twice annually (in September and March) inspect AEDs in secondary schools annually, checking all the following items:
  - a. Ensure that the unit is clean, undamaged and free of excess wear.
  - b. Ensure that the green check or light is active, showing that the AED is ready to use.
  - c. Verify the electrodes/pads are within their expiration date.
  - d. Verify the batteries are within their expiration date.
  - e. Verify the electrodes are pre-connected to the input connector.
  - f. Verify the supplies are available to use (razor, mask, gloves)
- 2) District maintenance staff will install AEDs only in locations approved by the Manager of Operations.

#### Training

- 3) AED operation training is included in OFA Level 1, with OFA First Aid recertified every three years.
- 4) Only trained volunteers or staff should operate an AED in a school site.
- 5) District maintenance staff will be trained in the operation and maintenance of AED equipment, and the Manager of Operations will ensure only trained staff maintain AEDs.
- 6) Maintenance staff will be provided with an AED Maintenance checklist to be completed and signed by the district maintenance employee, and the Manager of Operations in September and March.

## **School Level Information**

- 7) The Principal will keep a list of all staff and volunteers trained in CPR with an AED endorsement. The Principal will ensure that staff update their training according to the certificate level they hold, and, that a minimum of three staff members are trained to operate the AED at any time during the school year.

## **AED Maintenance Costs**

- 8) Replacement costs for batteries, electrodes and supplies are to be borne by the secondary school where the AED is installed.

**ALELA EPC Report  
May 21, 2019**

**Lucerne Elementary Secondary School**

**Previous events:**

- On April 15<sup>th</sup> Lucerne participated in the Kootenay Collective as a hosting school, educators from all over the Kootenays came to Lucerne and learn a little bit about our teaching practices, and then traveled to Nelson to discuss what they learned
- Earth Day celebrations were held on April 24<sup>th</sup>, with students going down to the lake. It was a really awesome event and the students were engaged in a variety of learning experiences that emphasised the importance of environmental sustainability.
- At the end of April our students went to Shakesfest in Vernon, a celebration of of William Shakespeare, they had an amazing time. They fundraised for almost the entire cost of the trip and received an incredible donation from the New Denver Pharmacy. A huge thanks to Richelle Johnston for organizing this event.

**Future activities:**

- Student led conferences were held on Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup>. We had approximately 97% attendance, and multiple parents expressed their gratitude for the conversations and learning that was on display.
- On May 10<sup>th</sup> our Outdoor Ed class held a pasta dinner fundraiser, for \$20 you could get unlimited pasta and a movie. The money generated from this event will go to support future trips and training events, like the AST level 1 training students received in January.
- May 23<sup>rd</sup> k to 6 students will be seeing a presentation from Science World about simple machines
- May 24/25 the grade 5/6 class is putting on the musical Once Upon a Mattress, tickets are available at Apple Tree, the main office, or through Katrina
- Joy Kogawa will be coming to visit our school on June 10<sup>th</sup>, prior to this event students will be taking part in an activity where they will, with the help of an animation studio in Vancouver, produce a short film to share with Joy
- Our Indigenous Education Day celebration will be held on June 6th
- Grad is on June 7<sup>th</sup> and 8th



## **Nakusp Elementary School**

### ***Curricular***

- This month's writing topic is Persuasive writing with a focus on the trait of Voice
- Teresa Weatherhead has been working with our children on Body Science this month.
- Music with Ms. Kelly Coubrough continues on Fridays. We will have an extended assembly to showcase each class's talents on June 3<sup>rd</sup>
- We will be hosting our annual STEAM fair on May 23<sup>rd</sup> from 3-6pm. We were very fortunate that Science World's travelling show happens to be in the area on the same day so our students will be inspired by their show "Fantastic Forces" at 9:05am on the same day.

### ***Extra Curricular***

- Thrive after 3 clubs this term include Intermediate Gymnastics on Mondays, Arts and Crafts and Snacks on Tuesdays, Flag Football on Wednesday, and Robotics on Thursdays
- NES and Southern zone Intermediate track meet is coming up on May 29<sup>th</sup>. MS. Schwabe is busy preparing the students for the events. This year will be a bit different than years past but it looks like it will be lots of fun!

### ***Field Studies***

- Our Rawden friends left yesterday. Their whirlwind visit was a great success! Both groups of students had a very busy schedule supported by many local groups and individuals. So many thank you's are owed!
- End of year field trips are just starting. Intermediate classes are busy with outdoor adventures.
- Primary classes will be taking swimming lessons at Halcyon Hot Springs during the week of June 10-14<sup>th</sup>. Lilia Cunningham will be leading these lessons.
- We have many exciting Indigenous Ed related activities coming up in preparation for National Indigenous day Celebrations. Canoeing, Beading, Weaving, and more highlight these activities across the grade levels.

### ***Assessments***

- District writing assessments will be complete at the end of this week and will be assessed on November 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Our Reading Comprehension and District Math Assessments will be completed by end of May to inform our growth plan goals.

## **Nakusp Secondary School – hair straight back until the end!**

- Art Starts Plans
  - Soapstone Carver Hugh Egner coming into Art 8 and Art 11 to work with students
  - Tyler Leeson will be working with Foods class, which will include the students preparing a dinner for their parents showcasing the skills they've acquired during his visit
- Breakfast Program continues to be a huge success
  - We've had Chef Tyler Leeson come in and prepare Eggs Benedict for students (and staff)
  - He plans on returning on another Wednesday
  - We invite trustees to come to NSS any Wednesday morning to see our program in action
  - On top of the \$2600 in gift cards we'd received in January, BCC just sent us another \$150 to purchase smoothie tumblers in support of our healthy eating program
- Jarrett Bass and his PE 10 students participated in a CPR with AED Training event. Invited guests included the local Rotary Club, Kootenay Savings Credit Union (who donated the AED to NSS), some paramedics and the local press
- Indigenous Support Teacher Sheena Delong has arranged for Michael Garvey to visit NSS to conduct a healing circle with students on Thursdays until the end of the school year.
- District Assessment in Writing and Math completed and several staff members will be participating in the marking sessions
- Sports Program continues to shine
  - NSS was bestowed with BC School Sports Outstanding School Award earlier this month; Award and banner revealed to students at a school wide assembly a few weeks ago
- Track and Field Team (26 members + 2 coaches) traveled to Cranbrook last week
  - We had seven students qualify for Track Provincials (Kelowna on May 30<sup>th</sup>)
- Sr Girls Soccer traveled to Midway for Zones, finished with a 2-1 record and are looking forward hosting the Sr Girls Single A Soccer Provincials On May 30/31/June 1
- Grade 9's spent last Monday "Getting to Know Your Watershed"
- Outdoor Pursuits did a biking trip, and next hope to explore the golf course
- Jr OE Camping Trip to Wagge is next week
- Happy to welcome back Megan Martin as our teacher librarian, and to have Sheena Delong taking on the role of Career Ed teacher at NSS
- Grade 7 transition day and Parent BBQ hosted this past Thursday
- Timetabling and course selection is ramping up; some decision waiting on Humanities posting (interviews on May 23<sup>rd</sup>)
- Grad activities continue to ramp up; looks like we'll have 27 grads, including 3 from DL

## **Southern Zone**

### Edgewood Elementary School

- Eclipse DeCourcy is providing art lessons to the Grade 6-7s
- She is also going to do a book club with the 6-7 girls based on self-esteem
- Quinn is teaching the Ukulele to the intermediate students on Mondays and Wednesdays preparing for a performance at the end of the year BBQ
- The intermediate class hosted the Rawdon students from May 8th to 13th. It was an exhausting success story. Fun had by all.
- The class had a visit from Pearl Last and was a huge hit
- The 6-7s visited
- We will be hosting Bluebell Louie for Beading on May 30<sup>th</sup> in the morning
- Swim dates are set for June 6 and 17
- Intermediates will have three golf sessions and lessons at the Fauquier golf course.

### Burton Elementary School

- Burton Elementary School has a mascot... We are the Burton Bears!
- Thank you to Mrs. Herlitz for coming in the mornings and reading with the students one on one.
- Puppet workshop will be on Tuesdays with a performance at the open house in June.
- We will host a kids clothing exchange on May 23 @4:00 pm for Burton parents. We will invite all local families to the event and hope to expand it further.
- We will be hosting Bluebell Louie for Beading on May 30<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon.
- I am still looking for someone to share their music with us in Burton.



World Class Learning in a Rural Environment

**May 21, 2019**  
**Superintendent/Secretary Treasurer Report**  
*Presented at the Education Partnership Committee,  
 and Regular Meeting of the Board of Education*

**1. May Enrollment notes**

- Enrolment this month is stable and the same as April.
- Below is the monthly enrolment chart by school and grade:

My Education BC: Student Enrollment Numbers																
As of:		May 15-2019														
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	Mar	Dif
ALDL	2	2	4	1	2	4	5	2	2	2	1	11	8	46	45	1
BES	3	4	4	3										14	14	0
EES	1	1	1	2	1	0	7	2						15	15	0
LESS	8	7	6	3	7	9	10	8	7	4	9	5	5	88	88	0
NES	24	10	17	25	21	21	26	25						169	170	-1
NSS									19	33	27	14	24	117	117	0
<b>TOTAL Per Grade</b>	38	24	32	34	31	34	48	37	28	39	37	30	37			
<b>District Total</b>														449	449	0

**2. SD 10 2019-20 Budget Bylaw Passed**

On Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019, in a Special Regular meeting, the Board of Education passed the 2019-20 Budget By-law of \$9,516,663, using \$321,683 of the Board’s unrestricted surplus to balance the budget

- Additional spending in Budget 2019-20 was approved by the Board based on two key factors:
  - input from stakeholders at our Budget Consultation meetings, and
  - increased Ministry funding due to increased FTE enrolment and a 9% increase in the Small Community Supplement of the Ministry Funding Formula
- The budget carries forward all the current 2018-19 staffing and budgets, and also adds
  - 1.0 FTE additional teacher at NES given increased enrolment at that school
  - .8 FTE additional teacher at NSS to support more choice for secondary students
  - .5 FTE additional teacher at newly re-opened BES to support the growing K-4 population
  - A teaching Vice Principal position at Lucerne School to support the current Principal who is both Lucerne and Arrow Lakes Distributed Learning School’s principal, and to offer more choice for secondary students
  - \$5000 will be added to school budgets for additional hands on learning, fine arts or extra-curricular
  - Incremental increases for salaries and benefits, and utilities and supplies

**3. NSS Climbing Wall News**

- Engineered drawings for the NSS climbing wall are almost ready; next step is to order the equipment
- The district anticipates that we will be able to order the equipment and install the climbing wall starting this summer

#### 4. 2019-20 CR4YC Initiative Plan

- SD 10 will join the [Changing Results for Young Children](#) initiative in the fall
- Research shows that focusing on early learning has big benefits for children down the road
- Our CR4YC will consist of volunteer primary teachers, Strong Start Coordinators, and community child care providers, all working together to identify needs, work on strategies, and strengthen transitions from 0-8 years of age
- Dr. Randy Cranston, former Assistant Superintendent in Maple Ridge, will facilitate this Early Learning team
- Our CR4YC team will meet in three-hour after school sessions on October 16<sup>th</sup>, November 19<sup>th</sup>, January 24<sup>th</sup>, February 28<sup>th</sup>, May 5<sup>th</sup> and June 8<sup>th</sup>

#### 5. Shelley Moore returns to SD 10 – a focus on inclusive education

- Starting in the fall, the inimitable [Shelley Moore](#) returns to work with SD 10 teachers, strengthening inclusion practices and supports for children with diverse abilities
- Shelley will be in the district in person on September 12<sup>th</sup>, April 7<sup>th</sup>, and June 2<sup>nd</sup> and also connect with the professional learning team in a virtual session in December
- 8.5% of our students are designated with diverse learning needs, and our educators continue to learn new ways to support all their learners in inclusive learning environments

#### 6. OECD 2030 Conference in Vancouver

- The Organization for Economic and Community Development will hold its [annual meeting and conference in Vancouver](#) this week from May 22<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> in Vancouver, BC
- This is a great honour for BC's education system, as OECD meetings are typically held in Paris
- OECD researches and supports education across the world, and both the OECD and countries around the world are curious about the BC story
- They want to learn more about why BC is so successful: BC students continue to excel in reading, mathematics and science on international assessments (historically in the top 7 of all countries/jurisdictions) and BC's redesigned curriculum is viewed as highly innovative in meeting the skills and competencies that learners in the 21<sup>st</sup> century will need, whilst also embedding high equity for all learners' success in inclusive learning environments
- 200 BC educators and 200 international educators and researchers will attend the OECD conference, including SD 10's Superintendent and Lucerne's Principal

#### 7. Teacher Bargaining

- The Arrow Lakes Teacher's Association and SD 10 have completed local bargaining, and on May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019, signed off on the Local Matters Agreement
- Bargaining sessions were very productive and positive, mirroring the excellent relationship between the district and local teachers
- The agreement will be ratified by the Board of Education on May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019, and a ratification vote by the ALTA is scheduled for June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019
- Provincial Bargaining continues between the BC Teachers Federation and the BC School Employers Association, with both groups hopeful that a provincial agreement will be reached by June 30<sup>th</sup>

#### 8. Teacher Job Postings

- In all, 16 teaching positions have been posted in the past two weeks
- This large number of teacher job postings is the result of two maternity leaves, two retirements, the Union President's leave, Classroom Enhancement Funding and additional positions afforded by increased enrolment and increased Ministry funding in the 2019-20 budget
- Strong candidates are applying for teaching positions in the district, attracted by the district's vision, its reputation for innovative teaching and learning, and great schools



## 9. Fauquier School Property Update

- The RDCK Public hearing went well on May 13<sup>th</sup> in Fauquier
- In all, 14 people attended with a presentation by RDCK staff and Paul Peterson, RDCK Director
- Community members appear to be in full support of the application for rezoning the property
- Next steps:**
- The rezoning bylaw amendment and OCP amendment go to the RDCK Board on June 20, 2019
- If approved, RDCK will sign off on conditions and notify us and the province
- Once the Province signs off, the Ministry of Highways gives final approval
- Then our own school district process begins for disposal of the land as per [Ministry regulations](#)
  - Appraisal of both lots, and statements of valuation of net proceeds
  - Documentation of property title and how it was originally acquired (for restricted and local capital fund purposes), site plan, rationale for disposal of the property, etc
  - Community consultation held in Fauquier to allow final input on the disposal of property plans
  - A Board by-law regarding proposed disposal of the property
  - Working on an agreement for sale with the community organization in Fauquier
  - Interviewing and selecting a real estate agent to sell the second lot and selling that property
- We will continue to move ahead on the details over the next few months

## 10. May 17<sup>th</sup> Pro-D Day and Staff Appreciation

- Our May Pro-D day focused on supporting student mental health and environmental education
  - Secondary educators attended Mental Health Literacy sessions, and elementary staff spent time working on resources in the EASE program (Everyday Anxiety Strategies for Educators)
  - In school groups, our staff reviewed how their schools had made progress on the 2017-22 District Strategic Plan's Three Bold Goals: Enhance Teaching and Learning, Cultivate Connections and Relationships, and Build Advocacy for SD 10
  - Our Environmental Education lead teachers informed the group about a wide range of EE programs and then educators broke into collaborative learning groups
- Bus Drivers learned about Student Relations and Management and Loading and Unloading Students, while School Secretaries gathered to gain skills using MyEdBC, the provincial student information system
- At the Board of Education-hosted Staff Appreciation Lunch, the following district staff were honoured:
  - **10 years of service** – Charlene Alexander, Strong Start Coordinator
  - **25 years of service** – Verna Halldorson, Custodian; Kerry Heichert, Education Assistant; and Jackie Pearson, Education Assistant
  - **Celebrating Retirement** – Heather Jenkins, Teacher; Barb Lewis, Teacher; Gabi Koehler, Custodian; Nora Currie, Custodian; Stan Strebchuk, Custodian; Sydney Wigood, Education Assistant
- We celebrate and value all of our staff – every one of our people makes a difference for our learners!