

**Kootenay Lake District Parents' Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, Oct 25, 2017
Nelson School Board Office, 570 Johnstone Rd., Nelson
Videoconferencing to Creston Education Centre, Creston**

Attendance: Raeanne Gow(Redfish), Martha Wilson(LVR), Nikki Merritt (Winlaw), Lorien Quattrocchi (Hume), Kendra Mann (LVR, Rosemont, DESK), Naama Arramzaon(WE Graham), Sonja Thomas (WE Graham), Tyler Rice – Redfish, Natalia Nazaroff (BK, Desk), Joanne Lih (Mt. Sentinel), Ester Zdebiak (Mt. Sentinel), Sharon Bloodworth (Canyon Lister), Kate Baio (Wildflower).

Regrets: Reena Vandenbos (Mt. Sentinel)

- Welcome/Call to Order at 6:50pm

We acknowledge, respect and honour the First Nations in whose traditional territories the Kootenay Lake School District operates and all Aboriginal people residing within the boundaries of School District #8.

1. Introductions
2. Adoption of Agenda

Motion to approve the October 25, 2017 agenda as presented.		
Mover: Raeanne Gow	2 nd : Tyler Rice	CARRIED

3. Approval of Sept 27, 2017 Minutes

Motion to approve the September 27, 2017 agenda as presented.		
Mover: Raeanne Gow	2 nd : Martha Wilson	CARRIED

4. Presentation/Discussion: Aboriginal Education
District Principal for Ab Ed – Gail Higginbottom

Vision:

- Rooted by the District Enhancement agreement.
- Led by cultural and local protocols – shared understandings
- Pedagogically creative and strong
- Grounded in traditional knowledge
- Response to TRC call to action (Truth and Reconciliation)

Things to work on:

- Develop and implement K-12 curriculum and learning resources in the new curriculum
- Sharing information and best practices on teaching curriculum
- Building student capacity for intercultural understanding empathy and mutual respect.
- Identify teacher training needs

- 5. District Reports
- 6. School Reports

Mt. Sentinel – 55 grads, working out gaming monies – usually provide 2 bursaries – speaking to family of schools to see if other schools wants to sponsor a bursary from their school. Spring academy is starting up in the spring.

Brent Kennedy – Kids participated in the cross country run and did quite well, upcoming movie nights “Cars 3”, AGM – the executive remained the same – upcoming Bingo night.

Redfish – Family fun nights, very successful silent auction and they have reinvented hot lunch a local foods person is going to cook 3 days per week.

WE Graham – Trying to get grants to get a paid parent position for in the school to make hot lunch. Just elected a new executive – working on school plan and school vision.

Rosemont – Poinsettias and apple fundraiser – hot lunch gong well.

Hume – Playground ideas went out to the kids – the chose the cheapest option – only hot lunch day right now is pizza day on Fridays.

Winlaw – AGM took place, doing a 50/50 fundraiser, did a raffle in the spring for topsoil and gravel. Facilities planning meeting coming up and the Halloween howler Friday.

LVR – November will disperse gaming money to programs.

Wildflower – Raising money for robots and working on a hot lunch program

Canyon Lister – Prep for Halloween dances, fundraising towards outdoor classroom.

- 7. Correspondence – none received.

8. Discussion Items

- a. Parent Education – David Hatfield’s recent visit, upcoming events? – Ben Eaton has been requested for the next meeting.
- b. Facilities Plan update meetings – one coming up in the valley next week
- c. Restoration of 2002 BCTF contract language impact in SD8 – more information coming.
- d. Parent Advocacy Support Contract with Susan Wilson

Motion to negotiate a parent advocate support contract with Susan Wilson not exceeding \$1500.00 subject to available funding		
Mover: Kendra Mann	2 nd : Sonja Thomas	CARRIED

- e. BCCPAC – DPAC Summit Nov 24-25 – selection of reps

Action: Send out for volunteers through email, Lorien will receive the names and choose if there is more interest than spots available.

- f. Draft Policy Field Testing:
 - #307: Physical Restraints and Seclusion in Schools
 - #743: Anti-idling of School Vehicles

9. Treasurer's Report – presented at the AGM

10. District Committee Reports: - More information to come through email.

- a. Finance-

- b. Education-
- c. Policy-
- d. Healthy Schools-

11. DPAC Meeting & Presentation Schedule

Next meeting Wednesday, November, 22 at 6m

Adjournment 8:10pm