



**Aboriginal Education Council Minutes**  
**April 12, 2018**  
**School Board Office (Board Room) 9:00am – 12noon**

**In Attendance:** Bruce Carlos, District Principal of Aboriginal Education; Sue Cambrey, Administrative Assistant; Chettie MacDonald, Parent Rep; Bryce Mercredi, MIKI'SEW Metis Association; Sandra Ryan, Wachiay Friendship Centre; Linda Walton, Aboriginal Head Start; Nicole Gagnon, Parent Rep; Barbara Mitchell, Parent Rep; Denise Bullock, CUPE; Ian Hargreaves, Trustee; Dean Lindquist, Superintendent.

**Regrets:** Janice Caton, Charlene Everson, Fernanda Pare, Kathleen Hawksby, Lisa Iverson, Lou-Ann Neel, Nick Moore, Mark Peill

---

1. Welcome and acknowledgement of the K'ómoks First Nation Territory - Denise Bullock 9:05 am

---

2. Agenda additions and priorities

3. Adoption of meeting minutes of March 8, 2018

Consensus

4. Reports from:

- **Superintendent**

- Enjoyed the U'Mista Exhibit at the Education Meeting hosted at Royston School, powerful
- Budget process moving forward, good place, anticipating increased enrollment
- Review of AbEd Department from an outside source, not scheduled yet

- **Trustee/AEC Liaison – Ian Hargreaves, Vice-Chair**

- Board is very eager to move forward with an AEEA
- Met with AEC, regarding AEEA, good discussion
- Bruce discussed the accountability portion of the AEEA at the Education meeting
- Umista, very well received by Board

- **CDTA Representative – not in attendance/no report**

- **CUPE Representative**

- Fundraiser/Dance combined effort, well attended, \$1300 for the food bank plus food donations
- Re-Imagine Cultural meeting – employee stake holder groups, internal survey, workshop coming
- Budget consultation with CUPE today
- April 18-21 CUPE convention in Vancouver

- **DPAC Representation – not in attendance/no report**

- **K'ómoks First Nation – not in attendance/no report**

- **MIKI'SIW Metis Association**

- May 12 Open house, 1pm-5pm, new office location, 565 England

- **UIWONA – not in attendance/no report**

- **Aboriginal Head Start**
  - Working to expand Aboriginal Head Start
  - May 5, Spring cultural event, Puntledge campground
  - June 20 preschool grad
  - Training for lateral Kindness over spring break, Kim Bartell
- **Wachiay Friendship Centre – no report**
- **District Principal Report – written report provided and highlights shared**

#### 5. Old Business:

- Changing Name - Aboriginal Education to Indigenous Education (discussion)
  - Takes time to shift terminology, to be ready for September 2019
  - Staff name change from ASW to ISW during staffing process
  - Check with Secretary Treasurer about resolutions that may need to be changed
  - Communication out to public early September
- Strategic Planning (next steps – April 26)
  - AEC Capacity building – full day at the White Spot (**location change since this meeting**)
  - Work plan for school year, presentations imbedded into the plan for board and education meetings
  - Terms of reference review, hi-light items to change and bring forward to the AGM in October
  - Change to Indigenous
  - Members asked to read through Strategic Plan document prior to meeting
- Update on meeting with Sheldon Lee (Secretary Treasurer) re: budgets
  - Productive meeting. AEC members attending felt listened to and suggestions / requests were seriously considered. i.e. addition of a Youth and Family Care Worker (elementary)
- AEC cultural Grants, second round (selection committee meeting Monday, April 16<sup>th</sup> 1-3 pm)
  - Selection Committee - CMacDonald and FPare

#### 6. New Business:

- Update on AEC Parent Rep, Sarah McGill (card and gift)
- Childcare discussion for AEC 0-4 Representative (no rep has volunteered)
  - **Motion to provide childcare funding for the AEC 0-4 Parent Rep for 3 hours monthly** Consensus
- AEEA Review Meeting -SWOT analysis (when, who, how long, facilitator or “in house”)
  - invite all AEC, Trustees, Senior Management, AbEd staff, AEC
  - suggest a visual summary / notes taken over this session
  - important to have all AbEd staff to give input
  - RFP consultation process – Dean working on this. Should be ready for June
- Education committee AbEd presentation – reviewed power point presentation

#### 7. Standing Items:

- 4<sup>th</sup> Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement
- Upcoming events – send email to Bruce and Sue
- Indigenous Parents Advocacy Club (IPAC)
- Elders in Residence
  - Meet with school principals, discuss roles of Elders in schools

**Meeting adjourned 10:30 am**

**Next AEC meeting – Thursday, May 17, 2018, hosted at K’ómoks First Nation Band Office**

**\*\*\*please stay for lunch and attend the afternoon session of the “Big House Experience”**