



**ABORIGINAL EDUCATION
COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS
May 13, 2020**

**Fraser-Cascade
Aboriginal Education
Council
Representatives**

Leanne Bowcott
Chair

Dolores O'Donaghey
Cheryl Davidson
Thelma Florence
Norma Webb
Andy Phillips
Wayne Bobb Sr.
Dana Andrews
Debra Schneider
Diana Stromquist
Amy Charlie
Andy Alex
Pedro Moreno
Stephanie Fredette
Bonnie Nickel
Heaven Regnier
Ron Johnstone
Cathy Speth

SD78 Administration

Dr. Karen Nelson
Superintendent of Schools

Kevin Bird
Assistant Superintendent

Stan Watchorn
Principal, Kent Elementary

**SD78 Indigenous
Education**

Rod Peters
*District Aboriginal Education
Coordinator*

Miranda Cowan
Secretary

NEXT AEC MEETING:

Wednesday, June 10, 2020
@ 9:00 a.m.
Zoom Meeting

REGULAR SESSION

Presentation: n/a

Business Arising From Previous Minutes

• **Podium Update**

Chair Bowcott and DAEC Peters will follow up with Carl Stromquist to check on his podium progress.

• **House Post Updates**

CES is finalizing a design with Rocky Le Rock, SCE finalized a design with Robert Thomas and a meeting will be set up with Stan Green to design a totem for outside of the board office.

• **Equity and Action Plan**

The board agreed to participate in the Ministry of Education's Equity and Action plan based on the AECs recommendation.

New Business

• **COVID-19 School Re-opening plan**

Schools are set to re-open on June 1st with smaller, rotating classes. Parents have the choice to keep their children at home to participate in remote learning or they can send their child to school part time. Class scheduling and bussing are currently being organized at each school.

• **2020/2021 AEC Budget**

The 2020/2021 budget was voted in to include a new support worker position that will include filling in for support workers when they are off.

• **Aboriginal Mentor Contract**

An ad hoc committee is formed to review the mentor contract to see if it is possible to expand services to include AESS and to add the position to the district FNSW team.

Committee Reports

Minutes or Highlights from each Committee that met during the last month were included in Agenda packages.

• *Siya:ye Yoyes:* Meetings have been cancelled due to COVID-19 and may resume in the fall.

• *Operations and Facilities:* Meetings are currently being held using zoom and will resume in the fall.

Education: Meetings are currently being held using zoom and will resume in the fall.

Policy Development: Meetings are currently being held using zoom and will resume in the fall.

• *Budget Advisory:* May 11th, 2020 @ 4:30 – zoom meeting.

- *DPAC*: Next meeting will be held as a zoom meeting.
- *Technology Committee*: Next meeting to be announced.
- *Special Education Committee*: Next meeting to be announced.
- *Careers & Transitions Committee*: Next meeting to be announced.
- *Gifted Education Committee*: Next meeting to be announced.
- *Pro-D Committee*: Next meeting to be announced.

District Coordinator's Report

- n/a

Updates and Announcements

- The Canoe magazine will not be published until fall programming begins.
- The June meeting package will not be printed.
- Grad ceremonies will be families only. HSS – June 6th, AESS June 11-13th and TREC will have a virtual grad.