



**Aboriginal Education Council**  
**Minutes March 16, 2017**  
**School Board Office – Board Room**  
**9:00 am**

**In Attendance:** Bruce Carlos, District Principal of Aboriginal Education; Sue Cambrey, Administrative Assistant; Charlene Everson, K'omoks First Nation; Chettie MacDonald, Parent Rep; Bryce Mercredi; Metis Association; Sandra Ryan, Wachiay Friendship Centre; Linda Walton, Aboriginal Head Start; Nicole Gagnon, Parent Rep; Bronwyn Reiner, Parent Rep; Sarah McGill, Parent Rep; Kathleen Hawksby, Parent Rep, Mark Peill, Parent Rep; Janice Caton, Trustee; Denise Bullock, CUPE, Nick Moore, CDTA

**Regrets:** Fernanda Pare, Lou-Ann Neel, Dean Lindquist

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1. Welcome and acknowledgement of the K'omoks First Nation Territory  
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2. Agenda additions and priorities

3. Adoption of meeting minutes of January 12, 2017.

4. Adoption of meeting minutes of February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017

5. Reports:

- Report from Superintendent – not in attendance
- Report from School Trustee/AED Liaison –
  - Please add 1 of 3 public meeting – alternate school week and how to deliver education differently
  - Draft Calendar to be adopted at the next School Board meeting
  - Budget time – out of funding protection,
  - Minimal increase in budget – not enough to cover inflation, consultation process, numbers by May School Board meeting
  - Court ruling – portable \$15,0000 each, or boundary change
  - April 10<sup>th</sup> – Hiring panel to replace Director Alan Douglas
  - Trustees to host AEC for a dinner March 29<sup>th</sup>
  - Monthly report from AbEd, highlights to be added to the School Board Meeting Agenda

- Report from CDTA Representative –
  - Thank you for the AbEd Liaison Committee, curriculum - teachers excited to implement aboriginal content, CI day coming in May
  - Lower class sizes, teacher librarians coming back to elementary schools
  - Public education a topic on peoples minds
  - Budget – secondary teachers – teaching 8 classes not working for teachers or students
- CUPE Representative –
  - Need to secure a date for a meeting about Job Evaluations
  - Waiting on a meeting re-court ruling decision and how it effects support staff
  - Preliminary budget meeting was in February, layoffs will be a whole job layoff not less hours
  - April 26 – 29 CUPE Provincial Meeting
- DPAC Representative –
  - 4 questions to take back to PAC's to gage where they want to head for the future.
- District Principal - Written Report and highlights

#### 6. Old Business:

- Planning for ACE Capacity Building (April 19-20 @ SBO) - Facilitator, food, agenda New date TBA -
- AEC/Trustee Dinner March 29<sup>th</sup> – childcare provided
- FNEESC Parents Club Conference – Indigenous Parent clubs are increasing around the Province. Great speakers (Richard Van Camp, Monique Gray Smith).
- IPAC – events planned for spring and summer.

#### 7. New Business:

- Critical incident and response – reallocated staff to support students and all staff at GP Vanier in response to sudden death of Aboriginal student. Elders were called in to assist / support and extra food was provided for Room 300 guests.

(10:45am moved In-Camera)

8. In Camera meeting – 2017-18 Aboriginal Education Budget was reviewed and passed.

(11:45am moved out of In-Camera)

Adjourned 11:45

Next meeting March 16<sup>th</sup> SBO