

FCTA Executive Meeting

Minutes

January 17, 2018

4:30 pm

FCTA Office

A. Call to Order-4:30

1. Approval of Agenda-Turner/Lunde
2. Approval of Minutes: November 8, 2017- Cromarty/Hrynyk

B. Executive/Committee Reports

1. President

- 1.5 years to go on current contract so preparation has begun for bargaining. The BCTF has sent a letter request an early start to bargaining and is hoping to begin as early as the end of this year. In preparation for Bargaining, each local is being asked to survey their members about what issues are important to them and the results are going to be discussed at the April zone meeting.
- Semester 2 will be starting soon at the high schools. Just a reminder that the administration has 21 days to make sure classes are in compliance so there is no remedy for the first 21 days for any semester class.
- Bereavement Leave is now 5 days with 2 days for travel. We also have a 1 day Funeral Leave for a relative other than immediate family or a close friend.

2. Pro-D

- Registration is open for Feb pro-d
- almost out of funds \$3000 left for Pro-D, reserved funds are good
- handful of TTOC days left (about 20)
- staff encouraged to have approval first

3. Treasurer

- no report but will report at next meeting

4. Education

- Jessica McKerrow presented on the Read Well program that some of the primary teachers at Kent are using as well as a bit on SNAP.
- Kathy Koopman-Had some of her students with her and they talked about researching bats and building bat houses (part of the ADST pro-d)
- Misty Dowson-Presented on the Ontario and BC student exchange trip that she did last year through Experiences Canada. They wanted to do one to Quebec this year but there wasn't enough interest.
- Watch a Ted-X talk with Brent Hayden and discussed what failing means.

5. Operations & Facilities

- CE Barry grounds discussed (Kiosk)
- Snow Removal in Hope (they now own machinery - faster removal)

6. Policy Development

- Head Lice - health authority says that we can not send students home
- Social Media (changing consent form for parents, acceptable use) Social Media parent checklist
- Threat Assessment Policy changes (had first read at the Board Meeting)

7. Budget Advisory

- Budget presented in December
- Approved by Advisor Committee
- dipping into surplus \$1.3 million
- \$3.6 million in surplus currently
- Special targeted funding (\$2 million)

- Ministry is looking at changing the Funding Formula (redistributing the money)
- Money for attendance support and wellness (teacher and staff)

8. **Health and Safety**

- no report

9. **Board Meeting**

- **December Board Meeting:**

- Facebook issue with a trustee
- Enter partnership with ICBA (anti-union) providing exposure to employment opportunities for trades students, Amy met with Karl K about possibly sending the motion to Policy Committee

- **January Board Meeting**

- Karl Koslowsky presented on trades, grant money has covered most costs, the program is growing, the board is in favour of the trades education
- Operations and Facilities - track at CE Barry (Board voted to put in a track at CE Barry) 4 lane running oval (approx \$20,000)
- Improve and upgrade existing track in Agassiz
- Community Garden in Hope (Across from Coq Elementary) Board is paying for fencing and approved to overlap school grounds
- Motion for Bus shelter at Harrison, discussed and failed due to safety concerns
- Karen presented on the framework for enhancing student learning
- Office 365 next year

10. **Aboriginal Education Report**

- no report

C. **School Reports**

Coq- Bully Back Off presentation today for intermediates, no roof on outside covered play area, Monique is away for surgery

HSS- end of semester 1, busy with exam schedule, department meetings, remedy follow up, new enrolment, Alicia on maternity leave and Karsten joining

AESS- visit by Work BC- displays for students to go through, Japanese home-stay students arriving next week, exam ready

TTOC- ttoc meeting yesterday, 4 people attended, wants: better communication, know about Pro-D activities, pay of PM vs AM TTOC time, cancelling hours, to be able to see hours/time they are booked online

Kent - Literacy Event (Kindergarten/Grade 1's), 4 Kindergarten students registered already, 3 mat leaves coming up, 1 currently filled, extra teacher-librarian time has been getting a lot of use, huge increase in SPED students.

DISTRICT - no report

SCE - no report

BBESS- no report

HHES- no report

D. **Unfinished Business**

E. **Any Other Business**

- Surplus Committee meeting - challenging to find time to meet, maybe meet prior to Executive meetings
- Hockey Game social event (approx 12 people responded)

F. **Next Executive Meeting**

Date: **February 7, 2018**

Time: **4:30pm**

Location: **Hope Secondary**

ADJOURNMENT (Lunde/Koopman 5:57pm)

