MINUTES

September 11, 2019 4:30 pm FCTA Office

Regrets: Michele Dekok. Alistair McLachlin,

A. Call to Order

- 1. Aboriginal Acknowledgement
- 2. Approval of Agenda Dodd/McIntosh carried
- 3. Approval of Minutes June 12, 2019 tabled until next meeting due to tech.

B. Executive/Committee Reports

1. President

Zone meetings October 18 and 19 (Sheraton in Surrey) – Cheryl will be attending. Marvell will send out information on this event.

FSA (Grades 4 and 7)– Letters sent to teachers by September 23. FSA's administered starting September 30. BCTF member to attend a general meeting for our local for questions.

Reminder that seniority is portable, but teachers have to request to have these years applied to their seniority and there is a time limit. (Teachers must have a contract before applying for this process to begin.) Marvell attended the election debate in Boston Bar for the open seat on the School Board.

Professional Standards – a standard has been added regarding Aboriginal students and ways of learning. Enforcement for a breach of the Professional Standards has become increasingly punitive. Discussed a means of disseminating the warning to teachers to be aware of this change and a reminder of the standards themselves.

2. Board Committees

Executive members asked to sit on SD78 committees: Peters and Smith - Policy Hrynyk – Education Marvell - Operation and Facilities Dodd - Budget Bargaining - Amy motions to move to in-committee. Lunde/Hrynyk Out of committee Kathy Koopman

3. Pro-D

Summer Pro.Day went well. Two district wide workshops. Several schools had their own Pro. Dev. Words their Way workshop is full – 10 teachers being presented by Hrynyk

C. School Reports -

Silver Creek – 3 new staff members. Sasquatch presentation. Virtues Fair coming up

Coquihalla -2 new staff members and still awaiting a grade 4 teacher and a prep relief teacher. Hope Sec -4 new teachers.

AESS – several new staff members. Admin change. Greg Lawley is the acting principal.

Kent – 2 full k's. Gr 5 filled. Still looking for a prep teacher. New music teacher.

Harrison - no report

District – Elementary schools should notify Carolyn regarding students struggling with language (ESL or ESD). Carolyn is available for questions re: Words their Way.

D. Unfinished Business

E. Any Other Business

F. Next Executive Meeting Date: October 9, 2019 Time: 4:30 Location: FCTA Office

ADJOURNMENT Motion to Adjourn: Anderson/Link carried.