FCTA Executive Meeting

Minutes

May 19, 2020 4 pm Via Video Conference

Regrets: McIntosh, Carlson, Link, Kempenaar, Bond

A. Call to Order

- 1. Aboriginal Acknowledgement
- 2. Approval of Agenda Lunde/Anderson: carried
- 3. Approval of Minutes Feb 12, 2020 Koopman/Dodd: carried

B. 1. President

Enrolment is down, Coquihalla in particular.

Return to Work

- **Health and Safety** – A daytime janitor will be on all school sites. The SD had to submit a plan to the Ministry showing how they would meet the H&S guidelines.

Teachers are allowed to wear cloth masks.

- Workload Ministry has subdivided the return into K-5, and 6-12. In SD 78 this will mean K-5 half of the students Monday and Wednesday and the other half Tuesday and Thursday with online learning/prep on Friday.
- **Grades 6-12** need to be able to attend school 20% of the time. Only about half of all students are actually expected to attend. HSS is expecting 30%. A survey was sent to parents.
- **ESW and vulnerable children** can be in school 5 days a week. Lynne is arguing for there to be workload balance. Who is going to teach these children?

If all teachers at a school have days that don't have students, then they should be able to work from home – Please request this at school meetings.

- **Process for dealing with H&S concerns**: Worksafe has a process in place and the first step is to bring the concern to the Joint Health & Safety Committee. If the issue is not resolved at that level, let Lynne know.
- 2. **Pro-D** Staff reps should continue to plan for summer pro-d for their staff if they want days in lieu. There should be a conference call option.

3. Committee Reports

Budget – Coquihalla is losing 2.5 positions. Several support staff hours were lost at Coquihalla and Kent. These jobs may be reposted in August, depending on enrollment.

Policy – No report

Operation & Facilities – Changes to the way garbage/recycling in classrooms is handled. Emptying bins should be done by janitors not teachers. Contact Lynne if teachers are asked to do this.

Education – Documents on Continuity of Learning discussed. Emphasis on safety; discussion about how things were going, technology is being loaned to students. Data on how grades have done on assessments on skills. EDI scores are showing a lower rate of

vulnerability – currently 40%. FSA – Grade 4's have shown improvements but Grade 7's are still low. Grade 12's have shown improvements but school finishing rate is lower than the provincial average. District is working on their strategic plan and have invited a lot of community input, but not teachers. A survey is coming out and will measure soft outcomes – community engagement, citizenship, feeling safe.

C. School Reports - Not applicable

D. Unfinished Business

E. Any Other Business – In lieu of the year-end dinner and final executive meeting at the Fraser River Lodge, executive members receive a gift certificate for the lodge.

F. Next Executive Meeting

Date: **TBD**Time: **TBD**Location: **TBD**

ADJOURNMENT – Cromary/Hrynyk: carried.