

FCTA Executive Meeting

Minutes

September 16, 2020

4 pm

Via Video Conference

Regrets: Sidhu, Carlson, Menagh, Polishak

A. Call to Order 4:00pm

1. Aboriginal Acknowledgement - Marvell
2. Approval of Agenda – McIntosh/Dekok, carried
3. Approval of Minutes – June 10/20: Lunde/Hyrnyk, carried

B. Executive/Committee Reports

1. President

Format of meetings – Online meeting, meal reimbursement was discussed. Lynne will email asking for feedback re what time works best.

Lease/Kitchen - As we will not be using the kitchen during Covid, we will be saving \$780/year. Lynne has outfitted the office with a mini kitchen.

Lease – FCTA has not signed a new lease as the one provided was not acceptable. Lynne has (on the advice of a lawyer) suggested some changes, including the ability of the FCTA to give 2 months' notice. The lease is in the process of being amended.

Reps for committees – Education – Carolyn, Budget – Lynne/Aaron, Health and Safety – Lynne, Policy – Chelsea, Facilities – Lynne/Anders, Pro-D – Kathy, Tech – Lenora Poulin, Special Ed – Noemi, Careers and Transition – Jeff, Gifted – No rep.

Restart Plan – FCTA was able to negotiate half-day paid health and safety training for TTOC's as well as 4 new postings: 1 for distance learning (DL) and 3 for transition support throughout the district. Staff reps should email Lynne with the needs at their school so that she can present that to the SD.

Reps at schools – confirmed that schools have reps.

Enrollment - 1658 students; down about 10. The only category of student not funded is option 4 (homeschool). Option 2 developed to keep funding in the district.

Teacher Accommodation - form has been rejected by the BCTF for being overly onerous – staff should contact Lynne if needing an accommodation.

Reporting unsafe work – teachers have to use the reporting unsafe work process before phoning WorkSafe. Use your Joint Health and Safety Committee if your admin does not resolve concerns brought forward by teachers. Further details were included in FCTA Bulletin # 4 that was sent to all teachers.

Garbage/composting/recycling – the expectation that students should leave the classroom to use the containers in the hall way was rejected by the FCTA. It has taken a while to resolve this issue. Containers must be emptied by janitors, not teachers.

Teacher Supervision - limit of 50 minutes per week with an average of 45, any more than that needs to be reported to Lynne.

2. **Pro-D** – Books passed the audit. First district pro-d meeting on Sept 21. The February district meeting will be discussed. Keynote has been tentatively booked.

C. School Reports

Coquihalla – supervision is averaging 30 minutes, K and 1 classes are full, cohorting going well for students but hard on staff morale.

HSS – Spray for desks requires safety equipment, workload is overwhelming with paper packages, in-class, and online.

Kent –VP is working with intermediate online learners, some confusion about when option 2 ends.

Agassiz – same as HSS, concerns brought to admin are unresolved.

BB – Workload is a huge concern, in-class with multiple grade splits, online learning for courses that aren't even offered in the building, option 2 and 3 needs more direction, physically distancing direction is contradictory.

District – Because of the confusion at school level it is hard to schedule

TTOC – Confusion re expectations for supervising students

TREC – No rep

Harrison – No rep

SC – No rep

D. Unfinished Business

None

E. Any Other Business

None

F. Next Executive Meeting

Date: **October 14, 2020**

Time: **TBD**

Location: **Video conference**

ADJOURNMENT – Cromarty/Marvell, carried