



Revelstoke Board of Education

Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee Meeting February 2nd, 2017

Minutes

***We would like to acknowledge and honour the four nations
on whose traditional land we live and learn:
the Sinixt, the Ktunaxa, the Secwepemc, and the Syilx.***

Called to order at 4:05 pm.

In attendance: Michelle Cole, Chantal Wilson, Lisa Moore, Karin O'Neill, Laura Stovel, Mike Hooker, and Ariel McDowell

Regrets: Blake Bara, Lissa Cancilla-Sykes, and Jennifer Wolney

1. Agenda Additions
 - Jo Vandenberg-Clark
 - Stoke the Fire
 - Staffing Update
2. A review of the December 1st, 2016 Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes:
 - No errors or omissions
3. Enhancement Agreement
 - Lissa Cancilla Sykes has one block of time allocated as a "Helping Teacher" to implement Goal 2 of the Enhancement Agreement.
4. Sylix Unity Run – May 11th – 14th, 2017 Update
 - The Unity Run Is taking place at the same time as the One River Ethics Matter Conference.
 - The Visual Arts Centre will have an exhibit at the same time "Re-imagining the River", with First Nations values in mind.
 - Ariel McDowell will obtain a detailed itinerary and provide that to the Committee at the next meeting.
5. Regional Aboriginal Education Meeting, May 4th and 5th, 2017
 - Administrators of Aboriginal Education from across the Thompson Okanagan Region will be in Revelstoke for the May 4th Aboriginal

Education Advisory Committee Meeting which will be followed by a dinner meeting.

6. Reports:
 - Karin O'Neill provided an oral report noting that two days a week her emphasis has been working with individual students.
 - Lisa Moore provided her written report.
7. Jo Vandenberg-Clark
 - Jo Vandenberg-Clark was the recipient of an Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee Bursary. Jo sent a letter confirming her enrolment and thanking the Committee for the bursary.
8. Stoke the Fire
 - Michelle Cole will be hosting a one hour radio program entitled "Stoke the Fire". The program will consist of conversation, music and books in the spirit of reconciliation.
 - Committee members are asked to let Michelle know about any potential guests.
9. Staffing Update
 - Ariel McDowell advised that three applications for the Elementary Aboriginal Student Assistant position have been received, two applicants have aboriginal ancestry.

10. Adjourned:

Meeting adjourned at 4:55 pm.

Next meeting dates (all at 4:00 pm at the School Board Office, Upper Meeting Room):

March 2nd, 2017

April 6th, 2017

May 4th, 2017

June 8th, 2017



Dr. Lee Brown discusses

- The development of emotional skills
- Emotions and their relation to healthy identity and value integrity
- How we can create nourishing and peaceful relationships

Emotional Competency Workshop

Thursday February 23, 2017

6:30pm—8:30pm

Okanagan College Revelstoke

OR

Friday February 24, 2017

9:30am—12:30pm

Okanagan College Revelstoke

Dr. Lee Brown is the former Director of the Institute of Aboriginal Health in the College of Health Disciplines and the Indigenous Doctoral Program in the Department of Educational Studies at the University of British Columbia where he wrote his Doctoral thesis, *“Making the Classroom a Healthy Place: The Develop of Affective Competency in Aboriginal Pedagogy”*. He is the Co-author of *The Sacred Tree*, an educational curriculum based in Aboriginal values and epistemology. His training focuses on how to create emotional competency and skill so that racism and prejudice lessen. In addition, the workshop reviews traditional elder’s teachings of heart knowledge as essential to a holistic orientation to emotional competency.

For more information about this FREE workshop, contact Heather Hood

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