



Revelstoke Board of Education

Indigenous Education Advisory Committee Meeting October 6th, 2022

Minutes

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

Called to order at 4:00 pm.

In attendance: Chantal Wilson, Lisa Moore, Jessica Stewardson, Asa Kenyon, Sarah Zimmer, Todd Hicks, Jodi Wallach, and Roberta Kubik

Regrets: Marlene Krug, Kirby Miller and Erin England

1. Agenda Additions
 - Circle Check In (2)
 - Budget (5)
 - OMRIE Meeting (6)
 - Meeting Dates (7)
2. Circle Check In – Acknowledge what you are thankful for in your connection to the land
 - Committee members indicated their connections to harvesting and enjoying the local landscapes.
3. A review of the June 2nd, 2022 Indigenous Education Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes:
 - No errors or omissions
 - Todd Hicks highlighted that the 2021/2022 annual Equity Progress Report and Terms of Reference for the Committee were presented to the Ministry and recognized with congratulations to the district on the work undertaken during the 21/22 year.
3. Thank you note from Sydney Musseau
 - The Committee noted their appreciation and ability to support students in their individual pursuits.
4. Equity Scan
 - Todd Hicks highlighted the work from the past year and noted the positive start to the 2022/2023 year. As a result of the programs and conversations that have occurred, there is an increased awareness of acknowledgement and a greater presence being seen in classroom and

instructional practices that embrace Indigenous Ways of Knowing and Learning and Indigenous content.

- Todd Hicks reviewed the Ministry of Education and Child Care’s “How are you doing?” data and at this time the information from the 2021/2022 year has not yet been posted, with the exception of the FSA results. Although much of the data is masked due to population numbers, it was highlighted that Indigenous students along with the general population are at or above provincial averages in all measures.
- Monthly themed programs are again being planned for this year and are already being positively received.
- Everyone is pleased that in person events are back in full swing which included approximately 25 students attending the Okanagan Powwow in Kelowna on September 23rd, 2022.
- It was noted that there will be work to be done this year to develop a process for equity review for ongoing work and next steps.

5. Budget

- The draft 2022/2023 budget was presented. The First Nations Education Steering Committee conference is scheduled for December 8th – 10th, 2022. Will review the budget to ensure the ability to support staff attendance at the conference.

6. Okanagan Mainline Regional Indigenous Education meeting

- Todd Hicks and Jodi Wallach (Incoming District Principal) will attend the regional meeting scheduled to take place on October 13-14, 2022. The meeting will include a visit to the Nk’Mip Desert Cultural Centre.

7. Meeting Dates

- Due to scheduling conflicts, it was agreed by Committee members to change the November and December meeting dates back to the first Thursday of the month.

8. Reports:

- Lisa Moore highlighted her work with the Primary Care team and the struggles within this work; a thank you to Diyame for her presentation on Powwow etiquette, assisting students with scholarships, and the gr 8 class events along with supporting student attendance. She provided the following written report:

Indigenous Education Steering Committee report
Lisa Moore
Student Assistant RSS
October 6, 2022

- 1701 forms
- Primary Care meeting

- Orange Shirt project - went into classes to talk about Orange Shirt Day, Reconciliation, and our art project
 - Powwow information and protocols
 - Accompanied Diyame Derrick Caterer from Okanagan College to the elementary schools to talk about powwows
 - Speaking with students about MNBC applications
 - Speaking with students about scholarships, which school to apply to
 - Developing and helping teach beadwork projects for grade 8 Indigenous Connections classes
 - Contact MNBC, University, regarding funding for post sec
 - Outreach for student struggling with attendance
 - Visit with students in Resource, CHILL
 - Lunchtime visiting with students
- Jessica Stewardson provided an oral report indicating to date we have received 95% of program consent forms, that designated space for Indigenous programming has been created in each elementary school; she has connected with all identified students, Orange shirt recognition with classroom activities and stories as well as school wide recognition occurred; she has begun a 'boys lunch group' at CPE and is working to do the same at other schools and that includes working with students on food prep/costing and purchasing.
 - Other
 - The Ktunaxa canoe is currently in disrepair. Lisa Moore has attempted to make connections to determine if it can be repaired by a community member, but has not had any luck. She will continue to look at options
 - The group met with Michaela Matters, representative to support Jordan's Principle applications

9. Adjourned:

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm.

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

- November 3th, 2022
- December 1th, 2022
- February 2nd, 2023
- March 2nd, 2023
- May 4th, 2023
- June 1st, 2023
- June 3rd, 2021