



### Indigenous Education Council Meeting Minutes

March 11, 2021

Via Zoom Virtual Meeting Platform 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

#### Meeting attendees:

Kelly Shopland, North Island College / Chair  
Regrets Letitia Pokiak – Parent Rep / Vice Chair  
Regrets Ashley Wright, K'omoks First Nation  
Regrets Fernanda Pare, K'omoks First Nation  
Brenda Murray, K'omoks First Nation  
Bryce Mercredi, Miki'siw Metis Association  
Regrets Sandra Ryan, Wachiay Friendship Centre  
Grace Johnson, CV Aboriginal Head-Start  
Lisa Iverson, UIWONA  
Regrets Jessica Lanqvist, Parent Rep  
Regrets Alex Jules, Parent Rep

Heather Royal-Brant, Parent Rep  
Regrets Sherry Dittrick, CDTA and Karla Neuffer  
Denise Bullock, CUPE439  
Kathleen Hawksby, Trustee  
Regrets Sheila McDonnell, Trustee  
Cristi May Sacht  
Regrets Jason Cobey, CVPVPA  
Regrets Tom Demeo, Superintendent  
Bruce Carlos, District Princip  
Sue Cambrey, Sr. Admin. Assistant

#### Proposed Meeting Schedule

9:00am	Meeting begins, acknowledgement, priorities, adoption of minutes.
9:20am	Verbal reports and questions from representative submitted written reports
9:45am	New Business / Unfinished Business
10:15am	Break
10:30am	Presentations / Discussions
11:00am	In Camea Metting (voting IEC members)
12:00pm	Meeting ends.

1. **Acknowledgement of K'omoks First Nation Territory** **KShopland** 9:06 am
2. **Agenda additions and priorities**
3. **Adoption of meeting minutes of February 11, 2021** Concensus
4. **Verbal Reports:**
  - **Superintendent** – not in attendance
  - **Trustee/IEC Liaison – KHawksby, CSacht**
    - Town Hall Charmain Enns - COVID-19 measures in the School District, posted on the SD71 website
    - School Board meeting of Feb 23 - Lush Valley presentation
    - Proposed 3 year calendar posted to SD71 Website - for consultation

- **Indigenous Education District Principal Report (speaking to written report)**
  - Pro D very successful, debriefed on the event, 900 screens watching, all SD71 employees were invited
  - Virtual Pro D message - link sent out to IEC
  - Thank you KShopland for your welcome for the Pro D Day
  - 3 days “Indigenous” focus for the next couple years, hoping for hands-on event for next Pro D day - Feb 2022
  - BCarlos, TDomeo and GManning met with chief and Council of K’omoks First Nation
  - Pink Shirt Day, artist Pam Mitchell created the design, all InEd students received Pink shirt
  - Met with the IEC Budget committee and will present Budget recommendations to the SBO

**5. Representative Written Reports (questions arising from reports)**

**NIA = not in attendance**

**NTR= nothing to report**

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| 1. K’omoks First Nation - NIA              | 8. Comox District Teachers Association (CDTA) - NIA                   |
| 2. MIKI’SIW Metis Association              | 9. Comox Valley Principals Vice Principals Association (CVPVPA) - NIA |
| 3. UIWONA                                  | 10. Indigenous Parents Advocacy Club (IPAC) - no representative       |
| 4. North Island College                    | 11. Canadian Union Public Employees (CUPE Local 439)                  |
| 5. CV Aboriginal Head Start                |   |
| 6. Wachiay Friendship Centre – NIA         |   |
| 7. District Parents Advisory Council - NIA |   |

**\*\* NEW format for representative reports beginning at March 2021 IEC meeting – please provide a written report the Monday before our IEC meeting so reports can be included in agenda package to IEC members. We will provide time for questions on reports.**

**K’omoks First Nation – BMurray**

- LEA rough draft in progress
- 19 students nominal role, 3 students homeschooled

**MIKI’SIW – BMercredi**

- Written report – no comments

**UIWONA – Llverson**

- Nothing to report, written report next month

**North Island College – KShopland**

- Preparing for on campus teaching as of September 2021
- Some courses will remain as on-line courses
- Course timetable will be released late May
- Core competency training for Staff, explore and provide history of territories of all NIC sites
- Dorms underway - with the Ministry, no official word of start date

### **CV Aboriginal Head Start**

- Updating Covid policies, changes will come with every changing guidelines
- Cultural story tellers, William Wasden sharing stories and songs
- Revamp playground, indigenizing the space

### **Wachiay – Not in attendance**

### **IPAC – BCarlos**

- FNEESC Grant - Care packages going out to IPAC Families - activities, outside and active
- Hoping for regular gym nights to return in fall

### **DPAC – no representative**

- BCarlos - minutes available online
- CSacht - protocols on Covid

### **CDTA – Not in attendance**

### **CUPE 439 – DBullock**

- Written report – no comments
- CUPE National rep and CUPE Past National rep attended Pro D Day, well done, forever changed

### **CVPVPA – Not in attendance**

## **6. New Business:**

- No new business

## **7. Unfinished Business:**

- Annual IEC Capacity Building in April (deeper review of Terms of Reference and Ministry Data)
  - Propose 2-day Capacity Building
    - Day 1 – review of Terms of Reference
    - Day 2 – review of IEAA draft / Ministry of Education Data
  - How are we doing report on the first, might influence the IEAA – break up the review over several meetings Apr 27 Apr 28 9- 11 am 9-12
  - Send out the terms of reference for review, then come together to make changes if needed
- SD71 Policy 24 and AP170 Committee Rep (non-discrimination policy) - **UPDATE**
  - **Representative** – GJohnson
    - Review other school's policy, likes and dislikes, inclusive
    - Missing sexual harassment element
    - Reminder importance of UNDRIP
    - Differences of opinion in putting a positive spin on it
    - Make the policy accountable, survey parents
    - Are these policies working? IEC more of a voice
    - Racism, not wanting to name it, it does exist
    - Supports for victims and educating the abuser, actionable not in a dusty book
    - Restorative justice rather than suspension for punishment

- SD71 Budget Committee Rep (attend w/ Bruce) **UPDATE**
  - **Representative** – KShopland, LPokiak (alternate)
  - Attended two SD71 meetings attended, reviewed the budgeting process and timeline
  - Policies of target funding spending were reviewed
  - Targeted funds are not be used for administrative cost (new change in provincial policy coming down in the near future)
  - Targeted funding is to be used to directly impact Indigenous students
  - IEC meeting April 7<sup>th</sup> 1 pm – discussion prior to meeting of April 13
  - Presentation at next District Budget meeting April 13th

- InEd 2021-22 Budget Committee **UPDATE**
  - **Representatives** – AJules, BMercredi, HRoyalBrant
  - Balancing the budget has been difficult, need to prioritize
  - if District Principal position supported by SBO, would help balance budget
  - Equity in Action, InEd data and systems in place and how they affect InEd students
  - Our district will be taking this on, will help IEEA and Indigenous Education

**8. Standing Items:**

- Indigenous Education Cultural Grant
  - Money in the budget, funding available
- Upcoming Events – See below
- Indigenous Education Enhancement Agreement (IEEA)

**9. Indigenous Staff Updates (no staff joining us today)**

**10. In Camera meeting (voting members)**



**Upcoming events:**

March 20 Spring begins  
 March 22-April 5 Spring Break

***Next Indigenous Education Council (IEC) meeting –***

***Thursday, April 15, 2021***