



Indigenous Education Council Meeting Minutes

October 13, 2022
School Board Office Boardroom
9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Meeting attendees:

Regrets Kelly Shopland, North Island College/Chair
Danielle VanderMolen, CV Aboriginal Head Start
Ramona Johnstone, K'omoks First Nation
Bryce Mercredi, MIKI'SIW Metis Association
NIA Wachiay Friendship Centre
Trish McPhail, UIWONA
Letitia Pokiak – Parent Rep
Alex Jules, Parent Rep
Regrets Meagan Goudreault, Parent Rep
Malista McIntyre, Parent Rep
Heather Royal-Brant, Parent Rep

Regrets Tracy Richards, VP, CDTA
Denise Bullock, CUPE439
Kathleen Hawksby, Trustee
Michelle Waite, Trustee
Jason Cobey, CVPVPA
Regrets Tom Demeo, Superintendent
Bruce Carlos, District Principal
Sue Cambrey, Sr. Administrative 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 / Staff Updates / Guests
10:00am	Break
10:15am	In Camera Meeting (voting IEC members)
12:00pm	Meeting ends.

1. **Acknowledgement of K'omoks First Nation Territory** **JCobey 9:09 am**

2. **Agenda additions and priorities**

3. **Adoption of meeting minutes of September 22, 2022** **Consensus**

4. **Verbal Reports:**

• **Superintendent – NIA**

BCarlos – In process, Equity in Action, next step is to create a committee to lead this process
GManning, BCarlos, TDomeo to meet, want the community fully represented, led by Superintendent,
Send to IEC - Equity in Action information

• **Trustee/IEC Liaison –**

- Election this weekend

- Attended Cindy Blackstock, this years video link will be posted to the website
- Also have access to past years lectures
<https://www.communityjusticecentre.ca/campagnolo>

- **Indigenous Education District Principal Report** (highlights of written report)
 - BMurray has left K’omoks First Nation
 - Nala’atsi teaching position is still open
 - 44+ staff members in Indigenous Education
 - December 6 – InEd Gathering (staff, Ni’noxola, Culture Presenters, IEC)

Representative Written Reports - questions arising from provided reports:

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| 1. K’omoks First Nation | 8. District Parents Advisory Council (DPAC) - NIA |
| 2. MIKI’SIW Metis Association - NIA | 9. Comox District Teachers (CDTA) |
| 3. UIWONA | 10. Canadian Union Public Employees (CUPELocal439) |
| 4. North Island College - NIA | 11. Comox Valley Principals Vice Principals - |
| 5. CV Aboriginal Head start | |
| 6. Wachiay Friendship Centre - NIA | |
| 7. Indigenous Parents Advocacy Club (IPAC) - | |

- **UIWONA** – foraging through, supporting KHawksby in the vote, fall start up very different
- **CV Aboriginal Head Start** – spirit walk, micro counselling moments handed out little gifts, busy at Head start
- **IPAC** – Lake Trail school gym, parents have volunteered, hoping to start up soon, no formal executive, very organic, funding from FNEC for cultural activities
- **CUPE Local 439** – local bargaining, support staff under a lot of pressure, affordability fund, start up has been difficult

5. **SPECIAL GUESTS / Staff Presentations:**

- *None today*

6. **New business**

- **Overview of Indigenous students for 2022-23**
- **Highlights from Orange Shirt Day trip to Niagara Falls**
- **Trends this fall (and reacting to trends)**

7. **In Camera Meeting (voting members)**



Next Indigenous Education Council (IEC) meeting