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Board Chair Ciel Patenaude acknowledged that the meeting was being held on the traditional and unceded territory of the Northern Secwepemc People.

## **SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT TO THE BOARD**

### **CONGRATULATIONS**

As we reach the end of another school year, I want to take moment to thank everyone who plays a role in making the lives of children a little bit better as they navigate the school years and what’s beyond. It really does take a village. We continue to see more people and organizations willing to engage in solutions that bring people and community together. We see more people and organizations willing to work together and lift each other up to move forward, rather than wasting energy to tear things down to keep us in the past. It’s hard, but it can be done. Congratulations to all of those helping our communities move forward and setting the example for this 2023 Grad Class (and those to come) that we are indeed better together. When we are selfless, we are stronger than when we are selfish. Congratulations to all, especially the Grad Class of 2023.

### **SCHOOL SPORTS**

Congratulations to the PSO Girls’ Soccer and the LCSS Girls’ Rugby for their respective showings at the BC’s. Thank you to all the coaches and parents who have supported these student athletes.

Thank you to Mr. Parent and all the volunteers for organizing the North End Elementary Track Meet and to the admin Team in the South End for doing the same. It has been so nice to see these opportunities returning with such vigour.

### **NATIONAL INDIGENOUS DAY**

Thank you to our schools and community partners for creating a wonderful day of learning and togetherness. It was heartwarming to see how schools engaged and really showed the continued effort by schools to engage in Truth and Reconciliation. Many of the speakers commented on the size of the gathering and the visible, noticeable participation of children and whole schools. Thank you to our new Indigenous Role Models for engaging in their first public speaking event on behalf of SD27. There is still much work to be done.

### **ROLE MODEL CELEBRATION**

The SD 27 annual Indigenous Role Model Celebration was held on Thursday, June 1 at Lake City Secondary. This program has a long history with SD 27 and the First Nation Education Council, and the celebration is a very special event for the role models, their families, and invited guests. This year’s [Role Models](#) are Sky Johnson and Tyson

Michel. Thank you to Mr. Gustafson and Ms. Hubner for organizing the event and to the local Chiefs for giving up their time to support this work.

### **SD27 LEADERSHIP SERIES**

On June 12, SD27 staff and admin met for their final dinner meeting to share and reflect upon their work this year. This year the group discussed the resources, *Ensouling Our Schools* and *Creating the Schools Our Children Need*. It is encouraging to see the kind of thoughtful work permeating our schools and classrooms from the broader learning focus of the district. Thank you to Trustee Delainey for popping in to say hi to the group and acknowledge their work.



### **WLFN POW WOW and PREMIER VISIT**



Congratulations to WLFN on their Father's Day Pow Wow. Their community showcase was beautifully powerful and continues to show how WLFN brings the broader community together to move forward in a good way. It was an honor to watch the grand entry with Premier Eby as part of the festivities.

### **NEW MARIE SHARPE PROJECT**

Thanks to WLFN, the City and CRD for their engagement and thoughtful consideration to what possibilities could be as part of a capital bid from the school district. Although these are concepts, it is encouraging to see and hear of the support and willingness of leading organizations to work together. SD27 will be submitting its capital plan at the end of the month.

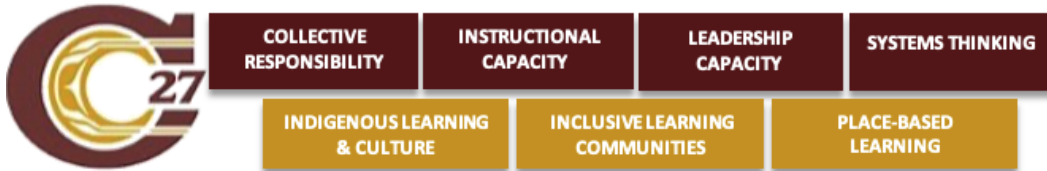
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### FOCUS AREAS FOR GROWTH



We looked at what the student achievement and school experience data showed, reflected on the findings and recommendations of the Equity Scan, considered the community input, examined our internal processes and practices and tried to capture what was essential in some key focus areas for growth: collective responsibility, instructional capacity, leadership capacity, systems thinking, indigenous learning and culture, inclusive learning communities, and place-based learning. We sought input from staff, parents, and students to see if there were important ideas or themes that were missed before confirming our focus areas for planning.

### **PRESENTATION**

Principal Ikebuchi presented Tatla Lake Elementary Junior Secondary Schools Innovation Grant that Ms. Peterson and the students have embraced this year. They

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have been incorporating strategies from “Building Thinking Classrooms.” The learning and experiences have recognized throughout the whole school, not just classes who are working with the spheros.

### **FINANCE AND FACILITIES**

A short summary of the committee covered is below, it was a lot this month!

- Capital Funding to demolish McLeese Lake and Bridge Lake existing buildings.
- Third reading of the Annual Budget Bylaw for fiscal year 2023-2024 in the amount of \$76,308.259.
- Approval the application of \$2,000,000 from Ministry surplus to support the upgrading of fire suppression/alarm systems across SD27.
- Move \$3,000,000 from the operating surplus to local capital as part of the year fiscal end.
- And the approval of the Capital submission including a new Marie Sharpe School.

### **EDUCATION**

The following recommendations were brought to the Board and were passed. The two groups will have a fantastic time.

- Peter Skene Ogden - Japan field trip in principle with final approval pending confirmation of details prior to the trip.
- Lake City Italy Greece Band Tour trip in principle with final approval pending confirmation of details prior to the trip.

### **POLICY**

No Policy meeting was held in June.

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