

Acting Board Chair Willow Macdonald acknowledged that the meeting was being held on the traditional and unceded territory of the Northern Secwepemc People.

FINISHING STRONG

It's hard to believe there are a little over two months of school left. Where has it gone? Schools have been working hard to make sure learning stays on track, especially as our senior students work towards graduation. Just as schools continue to focus on learning, connections, attendance and relationships, parents need to make sure they don't let up and assume everything is on track. Stay in touch with your child's teacher(s) and administration right through to the finish. As I reflect on being able to listen to Dr. Jane Goodall last week, never underestimate the cumulative effect of the littlest things. Our schools continue to work hard to bring the head and heart in harmony.



Wonderfully thought provoking evening with @JaneGoodallInst celebrating her 90th B-day. "It is only when head and heart work in harmony that we can recognize our true human potential" @LenardonCheryl @JannArdenPod



BCSSA SPRING CONFERENCE

This year's BC School Superintendent's Conference was focused on student voice. Administration from Columneetza, Lake City, and Skyline (Ms. Darney, Mr. Levens, and Ms. Auger) brought students from their respective schools to Vancouver to participate in these learning sessions. Thanks to the Deputy Superintendent for her provincial leadership in her role as the Pro-D Chair for the BCSSA and host for the event.



BCSTA SPRING AGM

Trustees and members of the senior team are in Vancouver this week to join in learning sessions with trustees and staff from around the province. Trustees also engage in their AGM where they move forward motions as part of their advocacy work for public education in BC.

FNEC NEWS

We are fortunate to have a highly collaborative First Nations Education Committee and this past month was a particularly enjoyable session where we were able to take a break to tune in to the eclipse, while also making a commitment to re-boot the equity in action work/scan the district engaged in 4 years ago. This work paved the way for much of the work the district

has engaged in by clearly identifying areas of need. We still have a long way to go, but it is heartwarming to see people appreciate how far we have come.

SPRING STAFFING

As mentioned last month, HR has had a head start on staffing and continues to work tirelessly for recruitment. Our postings are going out earlier than ever. We are also adding to the administrative pool by creating additional vice-principal positions.

STRATEGIC PLANNING

Thank you to all staff, students, partners, and partners who have been able to contribute to the survey or in-person sessions hosted at schools to reflect on our focus areas and where priorities should be going forward. While there are not a lot of surprises, it is reassuring to see an appreciation for the focus we have had and some insights with regards to what still needs to be done.

[See presentation](#)

COMMITTEE REPORTS

All motion recommendations from the committee meetings to be presented to the Board of Education were passed.

Finance & Facilities and Transportation Committee

***THAT** the Board of Education approves the attached letter to be sent to all registered bus riders and families.*

***THAT** the Board of Education approves staff continue to look at options around route optimization with a feasible implementation plan presented at the May 14, 2024, Finance, Facilities & Transportation committee meeting.*

***THAT** the Board of Education approve Capital Bylaw No. 2024-25-CPSD27-01 in **three** readings with **unanimous** consent at the April 23, 2024, Public Board Meeting.*

Policy Committee

***THAT** the Board of Education sends amended Policy 390 Safe and Caring School Communities for consultation, and new AP 390 to be provided as notification.*

Education Committee

- No recommendations were brought forward.

Next Board of Education Meeting – May 28, 2024

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