

**FIRST NATIONS EDUCATION COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2022  
10:00 am until noon**

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**PARTICIPANTS:**

**In Person**

Chris van der Mark, Superintendent  
Cheryl Lenardon, Assistant Superintendent  
Grant Gustafson, District Principal Indigenous Education  
Tracy Hubner, Secretary Indigenous Education  
Loni Solomon, Education Coord. Tl'esqox (Toosey Band)  
Pamela Kozak, Educ. Supervisor T'exelc (Williams Lake First Nation)  
Angie Delainey, Trustee  
Lacey-Dawn Testawich, CCTA  
Rosalie Montgomery, Education Coordinator, Yunešit'in Govt.

**On-line:**

Sue Sim, President IUOE  
Cindy Charley-boy, K-12 Liaison, Ulkatchot'en (Ulkatcho First Nation)  
Michelle Archie, Educ. Admin., Tsq'escen' (Canim Lake Band)  
Lenore Case, Educ. Coord. Tšideldel First Nation  
Calvin Dubray, Educ. Director, Esk'etemc  
Lewis Budgell, Educ. Director, Ulkatchot'en (Ulkatcho First Nation)  
Frieda Belleau, Educ. Coord., Esk'etemc  
Avo Menakian, Educ. Coord. Xats'ull First Nation

**NOT AVAILABLE:**

Melanie Johnny, Educ. Coord. Tl'etincox Govt.  
Marlene Swears, President Cariboo Chilcotin Métis Association  
Dawna Short, Alternate Cariboo Chilcotin Métis Association  
Audrey Sinclair, Educ. Assist., ʔEsdilagh First Nation  
Sheena Rogers, Cariboo-Chilcotin Friendship Society  
Agnes William, Xení Gwet'in First Nations Govt.

**A. Call to Order: Grant Gustafson called the meeting to order at 10:05 am**

- i) **Welcome to Secwepemc Territory:** Pamela Kozak, Williams Lake First Nation
- ii) **Traditional Opening:** Provided by Rosalie Montgomery, Yunešit'in Govt.
- iii) **Welcome to the First Nations Education Council Meeting:** Rosalie Montgomery

**B. AGENDA AND PREVIOUS MINUTES:**

**Review/Additions/Deletions to the Agenda for October 3, 2022:**

**Motion** – THAT the First Nations Education Council adopt the agenda of its meeting dated October 3, 2022 as circulated.

Moved: Rosalie Montgomery

Second: Angie Delaine

**CARRIED**

**Review/Approval of the Minutes of June 6, 2022 meeting:**

**Motion** – THAT the First Nations Education Council adopt the minutes of its meeting dated June 6, 2022 as amended:

**Pg. 2** add ‘consistent’ in front of reading data on FSA section.

Moved: Rosalie Montgomery

Second: Angie Delaine

**CONSENSUS**

**C. REPORTS:**

**i) Superintendent’s Report: Chris van der Mark**

Report link:

<https://sd27storage.blob.core.windows.net/media/Default/medialib/fnecoct2022.99d7255467.pdf>

**ii) Finance, Facilities & Transportation Committee Report: Angie Delaine, Trustee**

**Meeting on Sept. 13, 2022:**

Angie briefed FNEC on their September 13, 2022, meeting. Report link:

[2022-09-27-public-board-of-education-meeting-agenda.a01fd05300.pdf \(windows.net\)](https://sd27storage.blob.core.windows.net/media/Default/medialib/fnecoct2022.99d7255467.pdf)

Next meeting **October 11, 2022**. Angie extended an invitation to anyone to attend the meeting if they want to participate.

There was a discussion on back-to-school expenses. Schools have always had plans to support students and families with financial hardship; schools have been provided with additional Affordability Funds and will plan to use those to support school costs for families who need it.

iii) **Education Committee**: Trustee Forbes not available. Cheryl Lenardon

September meeting link below:

[2022-09-27-public-board-of-education-meeting-agenda.a01fd05300.pdf \(windows.net\)](https://sd27storage.blob.core.windows.net/media/Default/medialib/framework-for-enhancing-student-learning-report-fall-2022.e40c115343.pdf)

Cheryl shared that the majority of the Education Committee meeting was on the Framework for enhancing student learning report for 2021-2022. Link:

<https://sd27storage.blob.core.windows.net/media/Default/medialib/framework-for-enhancing-student-learning-report-fall-2022.e40c115343.pdf>

iv) **Policy Committee**: Trustee Forbes not available

v) **Budget**: Grant Gustafson, District Principal Indigenous Education

Grant shared that the work being done to streamline financial reporting is in progress. The current year budget is based on 1456 students @ \$1565 / student.

**Recommended Motion** – THAT the First Nations Education Council receives the Superintendent’s Report, Finance, Facilities and Transportation Committee Report, Education Committee Report, Indigenous Budget as presented.

Moved: Rosalie Montgomery

Seconded: Angie Delainey

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D. **BUSINESS**:

i. **Cultural Proposals**:

1. **Cataline Elementary School Proposal**: \$750.00

There was discussion on this cultural proposal:

**TABLED: FOR FURTHER INFORMATION**

2. **Nesika Elementary School Proposal**: \$852.95

There was discussion on this cultural proposal for a field trip to Xat’súll Heritage Village:

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3. **100 Mile Elementary School Proposal #1**: \$500.00

There was discussion on this cultural proposal for an Indigenous Chainsaw Carver to visit this school:

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**4. 100 Mile Elementary School Proposal #2: \$300.00**

There was discussion on this cultural proposal for two Elders/Speakers to attend the Truth & Reconciliation Day events at this school.

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**5. Lake City Secondary School (WL Campus): \$800.00**

There was discussion on this cultural proposal for a field trip to Farwell Canyon:

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ii. **Role Models:** FNEC postponed this section to next FNEC meeting due to time.

iii. **Enrollment and staffing:** Grant Gustafson

We have 1456 Indigenous students this year.

Grant briefed FNEC on positions that are currently posted. He noted that there is a Shuswap Language Teacher interview tomorrow.

iii. **Nominal Roll 2022-2023:**

Indigenous Education offered My Education training for secretaries to ensure our Indigenous students are entered correctly under the Culture tab.

Grant shared that we cannot claim someone not on the 1701.

iv. **Professional Development Day: Sept. 23, 2022**

Full schedule to come.

**E. Student Learning and Achievement:**

i. **Project Progress – updates:** Grant Gustafson

ii. **Future Initiatives – discussion:** Grant Gustafson

We will have the waivers entered sooner.

Some orange shirts did not arrive due to supplier issues.

Many Orange shirt day projects were done. Grant shared.

**F. CLOSE OF MEETING:**

**Adjournment: Next meeting: Monday, November 7, 2022**

**Recommended Motion** – THAT the meeting of the First Nations Education Council dated October 3, 2022 be adjourned.

**Moved:** Rosalie Montgomery

**Second:** Calvin Dubray