EEPSA Annual General Meeting 2014

Location: **Surrey’s Nature Centre** ([http://www.surrey.ca/culture-recreation/2311.aspx](https://mail.sd36.bc.ca/owa/redir.aspx?C=Cc_0QndKX0u5_C5vA46IiCEEz4TQSNEIN0XKeyXF7_6PxIOfUoJq2SH0zzXkzbw9I2E6c_kxtcg.&URL=http%3a%2f%2fwww.surrey.ca%2fculture-recreation%2f2311.aspx" \t "_blank)) at 14225 Green Timbers Way in Surrey on Saturday May 24th from 10:30 - 2:30.

In attendance : Selina Metcalfe, Jonathan Dyck, Bruce Ford, Vanessa Lee, Dallas Plensky , Laurelei Primeau, Shelley Serebrin, Kerri Lanaway, Barb Hinson, Jasmine Pilling; Donna Boucher

1) Welcome (Selina)

2) Introductions and Highlights of the year- 2 minutes each (All)

3) Adopt the minutes from 2013 AGM –

*Motion* to adopt – Jonathan; seconded by Selina; motion carried.

4) Membership update (Laurelei) -

At present - 146 members; about 6 weeks to get memberships processed through bctf; Selina suggested if you host an event, pass the info on attendees to Laurelei so she can follow up.

Bruce makes a *motion* that EEPSA formally thank bctf for implementing the online registration program; seconded by Jasmin; motion carried.

ACTION: Selina will draft the thank-you to Michelle Steele at bctf.

Bruce still sees challenges with membership processing, so he suggests that we address the issues with bctf and see if we can do a direct registration at conferences/workshops . Selina noted this is available, for a price. The information needs to be in a specific format for bctf to process it, but it is possible to do now. Members just need to familiarize themselves with the process.

5) Financial Report (Laurelei) - Laurelei will forward

Currently have $15,980 in bank account (recently received membership grant); with expenses of

$4000 on conferences; $1000 on Green Teacher; $3000 miscellaneous; leaving approximately $8,000

Bruce suggests that going forward, sub-committees have funds to deal with monetary requests. Selina recommends that this strategy and fund allotment be addressed at next EEPSA Board Meeting – regarding strategic planning & priority setting.

6) Communications (Vanessa N) – Vanessa sends her regrets

She will help pass the torch to someone else as she is too busy with a new baby and work

Communication goals for next year: post information on website; manage list serve; send info to members; twitter and facebook updates; financial reports; meeting minutes; AGM minutes

7) Professional Development update (All)

Past events –

June – EECOM - Victoria

Oct - OCC/SPEC – Stanley Park

Dec – Solstice Event/Walking the Talk – Science World

Mar – New Teacher’s Conference – Richmond

Apr – EECOM/CBEEN – Kootenays – EEPSA -Kerri Lanaway participated on Team BC - focused on new curriculum and potential partners to implement it

May – “Actively Engaged” – 108 Mile

Numerous Get Outdoors Workshops (over 20) in cooperation with Wild BC

Upcoming events -

July 2, 3, 4 – Think and Eat Green @ School - UBC

July – Summer Energy Liter acy Institute – Ottawa

Sept (Dec, June) – EE Walking the Talk Solstice Events

Oct 7-11 - EECOM-NAAEE 2014- Ottawa, PSA Conference (present at BCTELA, SS, PITA?)

Oct 17 – PSA Conference

EECOM-ACEE 2015 – Alberta

EECOM 2016 – Quebec

CBEEN - EE Leadership clinics – details available at a later date

Selina suggested the new pro-d calendar be put on website; Selina will be exploring literacy and place-based learning opportunities , as well as inquiry teams.

ACTION: All board members are respectfully reminded of the MOU regarding the coordination of Get Outdoors workshops. All workshops should be coordinated in collaboration with:

1. For Get Outdoors workshops outside of Metro Vancouver, coordination should happen with Kerrie Mortin via WildBC, and
2. For Get Outdoors workshops in Metro Vancouver, coordination should happen with Bruce Ford via Metro Vancouver School Programs.

* All board members are invited to consider, explore and bring forward ideas for Professional Development.
* Kerri will send out pro-d strategy working document with the goal of coordinating / aligning EEPSA Pro-D strategy with EEPSA Board’s interests and priorities

8) Constitutional amendments (Jonathan) –

Jonathan made a motion to amend the Constitution (as outlined on revised constitution); Bruce seconded that motion; motion carried

9) Executive Elections (Vanessa Lee)

President : jonathan nominated Selina; Bruce seconded; acclaimed

Vice-President : Bruce nominated Jonathan; Selina seconded; acclaimed

Secretary: Selina nominated Donna; Jonathan seconded; acclaimed

Treasurer : Laurelei nominated Jasmine; Bruce seconded; acclaimed

Communications Chairperson : Kerri nominated Dallas; Selina seconded; acclaimed

Pro- D Chairperson : Jonathan nominated Kerri; Selina seconded; acclaimed;

Joint Pro-D Chair: Laurelei nominated Bruce; Donna seconded; acclaimed

Membership Coordinator: Selina nominated Laurelei; Donna seconded; acclaimed

Member-at-Large: Shelley nominated Barb; Kerri seconded; acclaimed

Kerri nominated Shelley; Jonathan seconded; acclaimed

Advisory Community Liaison Positions: Carlos Ormond (Academic); Vanessa Lee (Interpreters); Patrick Robinson (Academic)

10) Jonathan motioned to adjourn the AGM at 1:08 ; seconded by Laurelei; motion carried.