

November 1, 2012 EEPISA executive meeting

Location: Central City Restaurant, Surrey BC

Chair: Jonathan Dyck ; In attendance : Laurelei Primeau, Vanessa Lee, Vanessa Norris, Donna Boucher

Called to order at 5:30 pm

1) Introductions and Catching Up (All)

2) BCTF business

Membership update (LP) - Laurelei reported membership at 291, down from 368 due to no conference this year. Many renewals coming up soon

Action: Laurelei will send out renewal requests

Financial Report (KH) unable to attend

3) Previous business

Conference partnerships for October PSA day with Aboriginal Education and Social Studies: Report (JD, PR, VL) Vanessa – not a huge turnout for the community mapping workshop incorporating “place-based” - more secondary ; lessons used will be posted ; keynote- Romeo Delair - was very engaging

Other Pro-D Reports-Laurelei and Donna did school-based pro-d.

Vanessa N. went to the Bog – interesting resources available

Jonathan – Aboriginal Conference – he had a successful 2 hr workshop- “healing ourselves with environmental perspective” - large turnout of 30 participants – included 90 min sharing circle

4) Subcommittees:

- a) **Pro-D:** 1) New Teacher Conference (Mar. 1-2) call for presentations (due Nov. 30) – eepsa will put in a proposal – **Action:** Jonathan, Selina and Vanessa will put forward ideas - community mapping workshop possible?
2) Vanessa is working on idea for mini-conference pro-d at Annacis Island – possible keynote with world café style – David Sobel is interested. Donna, Jonathan and other exec will assist Vanessa once plans are confirmed.
Action: Vanessa will research possible keynotes, dates and costs and report back to committee members and executive
- b) **Web/Communication:** Ecolacy, website, communication strategy
Action: Vanessa L. will post lesson plans on water and community planning
Action: Vanessa N will get update from Johan and Kate; see if she can get administrative access to Listserve/website and add current info
- c) **Membership/Other:**
Vanessa L. has been in discussion with Young Naturalists who are interested in collaborating with eepsa
Action: Vanessa L. will talk with YNC and report back

5) Other Business

Action: Bruce Ford to update status of the EECOM

Executive Retreat at Manning Park Jan 25-27

Action: Selina to confirm reservation and send details to exec members

6) Next Meeting:

Winter Solstice on Dec 21 – discussion followed on what this will look like - can accommodate 100 people at Science World on bottom floor; include cash bar and appies. Exec meeting prior to gathering.

Action: Bruce send out e-vite and Vanessa N will put on website and Listserve after discussing details with Bruce – deadline to post/send Nov. 8 – rsvp Bruce

Meeting adjourned at 7:20.