

# EEPSA meeting

March 7, 2017 at 5:30 pm

Location: MetroVancouver Head Office

In attendance: Jonathan Dyck, Ryan Barfoot, Bruce Ford, Selina Metcalfe, Patrick Robertson, Kerri Lanaway.

1) Catching up (all)

## 2) BCTF business

PSAC update (Jonathan)

Teacher magazine on EE theme looks great, thanks to all who contributed. BCTF can promote an event or a message we have on social media. There is a resolution coming at AGM for free transit for students on a field trip. Check out new LOA procedure on website.

**Action: Jasmine**, when does EEPSA get billed for LOAs? As they happen, or all at once at the end of the year from a district?

Financials update (Jasmine)

Our total amount is \$7,983  
We had no expenses in February.  
Just income of \$436.87 from membership fees.

Y661, The Ed Hammill Fund has \$3,251.82

For March:

Heidi Lessman will be paid an honorarium of \$395.63, less taxes, by the BCTF as she is a TTOC

Membership update (Nick)

Currently 109 members. Leadership Clinic has led to a spike of engaged members in the Kootenays. Patrick recommended that we send out a membership blast to previous members to get them back once the website is updated.

**Action: Nick**, can you send out a renewal reminder monthly for expiring memberships?

Local Chapters (Selina)

Burnaby LC met last month, all 7 districts in Kootenays will (hopefully) form LCs after the clinic, North Van is interested, Langley is interested, some interest in Surrey. We looked at the LC guide Selina is pulling together.

**Action: Dylan,** can Local Chapter page be its own menu bar so it is easier to find?

### 3) Communication (Ryan and Dylan)

Ryan wants to link communication channels. Suggestion to highlight members across all media platforms. Discussion about the benefits of funneling all website updates through one person, versus multiple people. Will continue to discuss at next meeting with Dylan.

**Action: Ryan** will reach out to Heidi about member highlight project.

**Action: Ryan, Jonathan, Kerri, Donna, Bruce** send Dylan your bio.

**Action: Teresa, Nick, Heidi, Jasmine, Dylan,** send Dylan your photo and bio.

### 4) Previous business

New Teacher's Conference

Heidi, Nick and Selina presented to about 30 teachers. Table had good traffic.

### 5) Upcoming business

EEPSA/CBEEN Leadership Clinic (Selina)

Discussed roles and planning. Conference call coming up. Looked at Local Chapter guide that Selina is pulling together.

Annual General Meeting June 29

Will happen in Salmonberry room at SPES. More discussion to follow at May meeting.

*Hewšun* - The Way Forward, A Reconciliation Canoe Journey (Ryan)

Ryan is wondering how EEPSA and other partners can be involved/benefit from his project. Discussion about how this could be a pro-d opportunity. What is the best way to share this at a provincial level?

Curriculum Implementation to support Place Based Learning (Selina)

Selina and Patrick have both recently had conversations with representatives from the Ministry, recommendation is to continue with the C2C process.

World Environmental Education Congress -WEEC (Jonathan)

Organizing committee met last week, abstracts are in, plenary speakers are lined up.

BCTF SuperConference October 20, 21 2017

**Action: Kerri** will email superconference organizing committee to transfer contact responsibilities to Jonathan (emails) and Selina (meetings).

EEPSA workshop submissions are

- 1) Starting a Nature K (Lisa Lockerbie and Erin Van Stone from Sooke)
- 2) Get Outdoors in the Primary Grades (Donna Boucher, Jasmine Pilling, Dylan Rawlyk at SPES)
- 3) Get Outdoors in the Intermediate Grades (Kerri Lanaway, Wild BC facilitator at SPES)
- 4) Sharing Best Practice in Extended Outdoor Education Programs (Ryan Barfoot, Teresa Rowley, Nick Townley)
- 5) Sharing Best Practice: Local Chapters of EEPSA (Selina)
- 6) Exploring Environmental Science 11 and 12 (Michael Wolfe and Science World)
- 7) Place Based Learning in the Renewed Curriculum (Jonathan, Patrick, Selina, David)

**Action: Selina** will email Pauline and Graham to ask about Friday program and to recommend a theme of “success stories of the renewed curriculum” for Science World event.

Next meeting: May