EEPSA meeting

September 18, 2017 at 5:30 pm

Location: MetroVancouver Head Office, 4330 Kingsway St.

In attendance: Selina Metcalfe, Jonathan Dyck, Yeelen Merhi, Dylan Rawlyk, Teresa Rowley, Heidi Lessman, Kerri Lanaway, Bruce Ford, Ryan Barfooot.

1) Catching up (all)

2) BCTF business

PSAC update (Selina and Jonathan) no update

Per Capita Grant application due September 30th (Selina)

Discussed and updated goals, discussed and updated budget.

Action: Form 1 and 4 and 5 Selina. Form 2 and 3 Yeelen. Form 6 Jonathan.

Financials update (Yeelen)

Funds are lean this year, we want to have a strong membership drive to increase incoming funds, we may consider a formula for Local Chapter funding next year that is tied to membership,

Motion to approve Donna's registration for WEEC (Yeelen/Jonathan) approved.

Motion to pilot a professional development bursary (Selina/Yeelen) approved.

Action: Selina and Yeelen will draft process and criteria for upcoming meeting.

Membership update (Nick)

Currently, we have 101 members. It appears that some folks do not know their memberships have expired, including six members of the EEPSA executive. Please check your membership on the BCTF Portal. I will continue to send out renewal reminders every month or two to recently expired or soon to be expiring members. You might have just received one from me. I will also be sending out weekly reminders on the listserve about the Super Conference.

3) Communication (Ryan and Dylan) Logo: 7 options reviewed.
Action: Ryan will email out vote results.
Website: Dylan gave a report on updates to the website.
Action: Dylan will send out pdf of resources, choose your top 3.
Action: Heidi will work on promotion of members and their favourite resources.

Action: Selina send curriculum update text to Dylan.

4) Local Chapters update

We have seven Local Chapters and five more in the works. Yay!

5) Previous business

AGM and Summer Solstice event at SPES (all)

Suggestion to sell memberships at a laptop at a table at all events.

WEEC (Donna)

At this point I know there were over 800 delegates who attended. At our final meeting on Wed, there was lots of positive feedback from the participants. Fabulous networking opportunity! The majority preferred the poster/round-table format (I only had one who insisted on using power point). One highlight for me was the guest speakers...especially Cuujaaw. Great message about getting our teachers outside, as well as the kids..."tell the kids to turn hippy and fight for the earth". Really authentic, powerful speaker. Even though there was a fair amount of work involved, I'm thankful I had the opportunity to take part in the conference. It was memorable.

6) Upcoming business

PSA Superconference October 20-21 (Selina, Jonathan, Kerri) Reminder to budget for all presenters to have registration and travel costs covered. Action: Selina create booth schedule.

Winter Solstice event December 21? Science World? (Bruce, Kerri and Heidi)
Action: Bruce will ask Kate if it can be at Science World.
Action: Kerri will organize food and drink.
Action: Selina will compile success stories from registration list.

New Teacher's Conference February 2018 (Heidi)

Heidi and Kerri will organize workshop submission. Selina will forward booth information to Heidi when we get it.

C2C Leadership Clinic (Bruce, Ryan, Selina) April 2018 at Camp Alexandra 6-8 teams of four from MetroVancouver districts.

Next meeting: November 7 at MetroVancouver Head Office at 5:30. We will try to pilot Zoom.

Action: Bruce will check with EECOM to see if we can use Zoom account for our exec meetings.