**EEPSA Executive Committee Meeting**

Wednesday, Nov. 20, 2019 at 4:30 pm PST

Location: Online (via GoToMeeting, see below for support)

Join URL:  <https://www.gotomeet.me/BCTF-PSA>

 Or call-in: +1 (647) 497-9391
Dial in access Code: 232-994-837

Online attendance : Jonathan Dyck, Selina Metcalfe, Megan Zeni, Russell Vinegar, Ryan Barfoot, Frances Mccoubrey, Laura Jackman, Donna Boucher (secretary)

1)     **Catching up** (all)

**2)**     **BCTF business**

a)     PSA Council (Jonathan): Form 1 was resubmitted; Form 2 [GoogleDoc](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1fs_5efAgaqab-a-S6mLM_lZt5CutROk0HFuppM0JgDs/edit?usp=sharing" \t "_blank); items for PSAC meeting Nov. 28-30

b)     Financials (Russell): Conference report was submitted, along with cheque for membership fees

 Our conference was underbudget – Spent over $3000, but a little left over to spend this year. About $1500 available currently.

c)     Membership (Laura): Conference membership data was submitted; new email platform; BCTF has switched over the listserve and it is working great. Laura is rechecking membership data to make sure everyone is registered.

3)     **Communication** (Megan): Motion to strike a subcommittee – Megan would appreciate a letter to help interested teachers start their own local chapter. Selina noted that it is on the EEPSA website. Selina will email an advocacy letter promoting the benefits of forming a chapter and the contacts. This would give them a stronger voice to advocate for change.

Megan made a motion to strike a subcommittee to work on communication. Jonathan seconded. Motion carried. This would include the individuals already working on this and other interested exec members. Megan suggested started a google doc for all exec to access. Jonathan will send it out.

4)     **Local Chapters**(Selina): Leadership clinic – expanded format. Opportunity to join CBEEN again at Nipka for another Leadership Clinic. Duncan has set it up . Unfortunately, this year, there will not be the usual funds available so Selina would like EEPSA to send at least 2 people from each local chapter outside of Colombia Valley to join CBEEN at the clinic (April 24-26). This could be up to 8 people, as well as Jonathan and Selina. The funds would help with transportation costs. Unsure how much money is currently available for use, but Jonathan can commit to sending Local Chapter presidents. Interested attendees will need to look at other funding available, such as grants and local chapter funds. Selina will pass along the funding info to local chapters when she meets with them next week.

**5)**     **Previous business**

a)     C2C Conference & AGM – Excellent conference! Great networking opportunities!

b)     Other local events – possible Solstice Event in December, but looking at locations available and funding. EEPSA can contribute $350 towards it. Nick will let us know if we can find a place.

**6)**     **Upcoming business**

a)     New Teachers Conference in **Richmond** on Saturday, January 25, 2020: Frances, Bruce, Jonathan; local member can join in to help

b)    Cross Border Conference in **Surrey** on Feb. 29, 2020: Selina, Jonathan – bctf workshop presented by Jonathan; Selina said there has been 17 workshops submitted and entertainment is secured; Youth and Climate Action workshops included; 10 bursaries will be offered for teachers outside the lower mainland ($400). Submissions are being accepted until Dec 1. Contact Selina.

c)     New Teachers Conference in**Nelson** on Saturday, May 23, 2020: Laura and CBEEN/KBEE

d)    C2C Conference in **Prince George** on Oct. 22-24, 2020: Conference Steering Committee

 most of EEPSA executive will help out with the planning. First steering committee meeting will happen soon. Lots of opportunities for conference– museums, walks, food. Frances has visited recently and will follow up on the planning.

**7)     Other:**

“Take me Outside” partnership – EEPSA definitely supports this partnership, although not monetarily at this point

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BCTF has given some advice on how to do this so Jonathan will pursue this and make a motion in regards to this at the next meeting. Laura would like to have a discussion around this at the Nipka meeting to come up with protocol. Suggested that Local Chapters have input prior to the leadership clinic so the idea of a shared document was put forward. Jonathan and Ryan will follow up on this.

**8)     Future Meeting Dates:**

o   **Wednesday, Jan. 22**

o   **Monday, Apr. 20**

* **Monday, June 15**

Meeting adjourned at 5:32

Thanks everyone😊