

Board and Trustee Representative Committee Report

Trustee Representative: R. Elaine Young

Committee Name: Indigenous Advisory Committee

Meeting Location: Indigenous Services Winchelsea Place

Meeting Time: January 22, 2018

First Nations Education Steering Committee (FNESC) Conference

Rosie McLeod-Shannon reported as follows...For this conference..."I wish there were 10 of me." Great workshops and great presenters. Highlights were workshops on 60's Scoop. This showed posters advertising "Little Indian girl/boy to be adopted." Complete with pictures. A workshop on Indigenous children in care showed that the numbers are startling!! We need to find a way to show compassion to these learners as they attend schools. Another two workshops on Teaching Science and Math from an Indigenous Point of View.

Locally, Teacher Carrie Reid has math lessons from an Indigenous perspective on line through the SD69 website. At Ballenas, educators are actively participating in the Aboriginal Inquiry Project. They have had a display of Indigenous Veterans for Nov. 11 and are working on installing a timeline in the hallway near the Indigenous Service room. The school has commissioned 4 paddles for the front hall.

Monday Afternoon Public Gatherings (3:30 on at Indigenous Services Winchelsea)

Devil's club uses.

Staff Report:

January 23 – Interactive Theatre Presentation "Home" Asking deep questions such as "What does reconciliation mean to you? What does home mean?" Tickets are available through our schools or through Indigenous Services.

February 1 at 1:00 PM Errington Elementary – Paddle Celebration. Dancers, singers open to all. Indigenous Services have more miniature paddles for schools that have an interest. We have 30 Lacrosse sticks and programs to teach Lacrosse at Springwood and Winchelsea. Further Information from Roz at Indigenous Services. Coming soon to Qualicum Nation.

Announcements:

Meeting with VIU to help support Indigenous Graduating Students to attend University.

Next Meeting:

Next Meeting – February 19 at 10 at Winchelsea

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