

## Our Mission

Enhance students pride through Okanagan culture and traditional ways of learning that will be reflected at all levels in the district so that all students are successful in school and beyond.

### Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee Meeting

February 18, 2014 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Osoyoos Band Hall

#### Present:

##### AEAC Members:

Kalie Gabriel-Baptiste, Jr. Rep SOSS

Darlene Melgar, Sr. Rep SOSS

David Foster, Administrator TEN

Mike Safek, Administrator OSS

Tyla Parker, Similkameen Ancestral Parent

Freda Prince, LSIB Education Coordinator

Jim Insley, Assistant Superintendent, Chair

Alec Rouseau, Sr. Rep SESS

Sharon Wilson, LSIB Education Director

Myrna Coates, School Trustee

Lindsay Anderson, OIB Education

Helen Gallagher, Dist. Teacher for Aboriginal Education

#### Guests:

Michael Reid, OKF Support worker

Sandy Terbasket, SESS Support worker

Karlie McCarthy, Support worker

Lisa McCall OKF Administrator

Barton Tumlinson, Administrator OES

Raylene Baptiste, SOSS Support worker

Bev Young, Superintendent

Lynn Couch-Alaric, TEN Support worker

Les Louis, SESS Support worker

Sonya Jensen, SOSS Support worker

Scott Tremblay, Administrator (VP) SESS

Samantha Marsel, OES Support worker

Marty Ring-Marchand, CPS Support worker

Gary (Tyla's husband Similkameen )

**Regrets:** Charlotte Mitchell (USIB Education Coordinator), Nancy Allison (USIB Parent rep.), Mona Bent (OIB Education Coordinator), Kalika Arcand (SESS Jr. rep.)

1) Welcome - Jim Insley Les Louis – Opening prayer

2) District calendar proposal – Jim explained the process and general features. Feed-back will be accepted up to February 28. The decision will be made by the Board of Education on March 12<sup>th</sup>.

3) Fluid Presentation, Barton Tumlinson: There are a variety of reports that can be done with our survey but finding the one we want is the decision to be made. Barton will look into a tally report to suit our needs. Not all schools are entering on a daily basis. Support workers, discuss with your administrators that 20-30 minutes a day should be put aside in order for you to enter information. Need a column for phone calls, band contact, report language and culture.

4) Annual Aboriginal Report Input: We did this as a breakout session. The group was presented with the data for our Enhancement Agreement goals and were asked to comment on the data and make recommendations for future strategies. These would be used to form action goals for the 2014/15 school year at the next meeting. "What can I do to make a difference" was the key consideration. Once completed, Jim will send the report out to members of the council and to the Human Rights Commission.

Next meeting : Host - Upper Similkameen on May 13<sup>th</sup>, lunch at 12:15, meeting from 1:00 to 3:00.