

## **KTTA News - January 10, 2017**

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Next General Meeting - Tuesday, January 17, 2017 (Tentatively at 4:30 PM at NorKam Secondary Library)

Draft documents will be at [www.ktta.ca](http://www.ktta.ca) in topics under General Meeting

BCTF AGM Delegates (13) elected at this meeting - please let us know if you intent on running

KTTA Elections Chair elected at this meeting - please let us know if you intend on running

Deadline for Nominations for Table Officers / PD Chair Positions - Friday, March 3rd

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### **A. Class Size / Composition Implementation (New Info)**

**(Memorandum of Agreement Attached)**

Please complete survey at: <https://goo.gl/forms/Km3GrTHTVZpqf8sH2>

As noted last week, the BCTF and the BC government / BCPSEA negotiated an interim Memorandum of Agreement regarding the implementation of the Supreme Court of Canada ruling from November. This agreement is without prejudice to the interpretation of local language and is intended to get positions posted this month to address class size and composition issues. For this **district this will mean roughly 25-30 FTE positions.**

It should be noted, however, that the process negotiated provincially will take the place of the grievance process for the remainder of this school year.

The Memorandum of Agreement is made available on the [www.MyBCTF.ca](http://www.MyBCTF.ca) portal (and is attached to this email)

Please complete the survey ([HTTPS://goo.gl/forms/Km3GrTHTVZpqf8sH2](https://goo.gl/forms/Km3GrTHTVZpqf8sH2)) so that we can get a sense of how to best advocate for an allocation of staff for each school. We will also use the grievances filed from the survey information provided prior to the Winter Break and the information provided to us from school visits in the Fall.

The KTTA will be represented by Kerilyn Scott (KTTA Bargaining Chair), Amanda Jensen (KTTA 1<sup>st</sup> VP) and David Komljenovic (KTTA President) and will be meeting with the district on Wednesday (January 11) afternoon.

**NOTE:** Specific staffing needs will be determined by the school staff. The district process will only allocate FTE. The staff will determine whether that FTE will be allocated towards non-enrolling specialist teacher FTE and/or classroom teacher FTE.

### **B. Curriculum Day - January 20th**

**Correction to Last E-Newsletter**

The District Curriculum Implementation Committee met in October and early December to discuss the structure of the Friday, January 20th Curriculum Day. The parties agreed on a structure that

would have groups meet within the family of schools and to ensure teachers are able to meet in small groups in contrast to the structure from last year. Based on feedback from members, the KTTA representatives on this committee raised the need to ensure that there was the ability during the day for teachers to meet and discuss curriculum without a great deal of structure.

The morning will include two options – one on the learning map and one on core competencies. The afternoon will be allocated to planning.

The planning will take place between the schools with the teacher facilitators and may involve the school PD committees or chairs if that works for the family of school grouping.

If there are any concerns that arise limiting an option for members, please contact us at the KTTA office (250-554-1223).

### **C. Consultation on Reporting**

As required, the district is seeking input from partner groups about the reporting process moving forward. The district has provided an opportunity for feedback at a meeting scheduled for January 30th at the Henry Grube Education Centre. The meeting will start at 5PM.

If you are able to attend, please do. The KTTA Executive Committee will have representatives at the meeting too.

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**B. Curriculum Day - January 20th**

***Our apologies but there is a correction to information provided regarding the curriculum day (January 20th). Teachers in the Barriere and Clearwater family of schools will be meeting at Barriere Secondary. The information for the day will be provided by your curriculum facilitators about the specific plan for the day.***