KTTA News - September 30, 2016

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<u>Positions</u> are Posted on SD 73 Website. Check at - <u>http://www3.sd73.bc.ca/careers</u>

Collective Agreement (2013-19):http://www.ktta.ca/images/KTTA SD73 2013 2019.pdf

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A. Collective Rights Ed. 50

The newest edition of KTTA Teacher - Collective Rights is attached to this enewsletter and was distributed in limited copies to each school/work-site.

Some of the issues noted in this report include the attendance management program and the settlement agreement that resulted from a challenge to that program, a resolution to an instructional day overage that resulted in monetary compensation for affected members, and resolutions to grievances pertaining to letters of direction and in-school assignment changes.

There are some upcoming arbitrations related to the NorKam Trades School, a Human Rights matter, and TTOC's access to sick leave. The arbitration regarding the lack of compensation for the September 19, 2014 day of work was heard in the summer and the arbitrator should come out with a decision on this matter soon.

B. Counselling Services

Members or their family members/dependents who are in need of counselling can access this service through Community Counselling Connections. The contact number is 250-374-7457 or visit them at 209-1319 Summit Drive (Tudor Village - in the Tower).

All members are entitled to up to eight (8) visits between January 1st and December 31st each year. If a member is in need of more counselling services, the counselling service will secure those visits through the district.

C. Collective Agreement

The district will be sending the new 2013-19 Collective Agreement to get printed and the hope is that members will be provided with a paper copy of the agreement soon. In the meantime, you can access the agreement through the KTTA website (www.ktta.ca under "Contract").

D. Provincial Specialists' Association Day (PD Day - October 21st) Please visit: https://bctf.ca/psas.aspx

The October Professional Development day was created to provide opportunities for teachers province wide to learn together in their particular field of teaching. As such, there are events occurring locally and beyond that members may wish to participate in.

Alternatively, schools are entitled to determine their own PD events for the October Day and we would request that, if these events are open to members in other schools, to please provide us with the information and we will send it out to the membership.

There are a couple of PSA events in the area and PD events in neighbouring districts that members may wish to participate in. If you would like more information, please contact the KTTA office at 250-554-1223 or office@ktta.ca. Specific contact information for each event is provided in the email and in the attachments.

Regional Events in Bold

The BCTF Provincial Specialist Associations provide workshops on the October 21st in a variety of fields and members may be interested in taking advantage of some of those events. Attached to this email is information from the Provincial Specialist Associations and workshops they are hosting on and around October 21st.

Computer Using Educators of BC (CUEBC), Technology and New Curriculum - Port Coquitlam (Riverside Secondary School). Please visit http://cuebc.ca to register and/or for more information. The contact for this event is Mike Silverton (msilverton@cuebc.ca).

Aboriginal Education Association PSA (AEAPSA), Reconciliation through Education - Fort Langley Elementary. Please contact Bertha Lansdowne (blansdow@sd40.bc.ca for more information).

BC Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages (BCTESOL, formerly ESLPSA), ELL Across the Curriculum - Burnaby (Brentwood Park Elementary). Please visit www.bctesol.ca for more information. The contact for this event is Sandy Krishna (skrishna@sd41.bc.ca).

Peace and Global Education (PAGE), A Dialogue on Social Justice and Curriculum - Surrey (Fraser Heights Secondary School). Please visit www.pagebc.ca for more information.

BC Early Career Teachers' Association (BCECTA), Technology and the New Curriculum - Port Coquitlam (Riverside Secondary School). Please contact psac77@bctf.ca or www.facebook.com/BCECTA for more information.

Physical Education- BC (PE-BC), 30th Annual QDPE PD Conference - Douglas College, New Westminster. Contact www.douglascollege.ca/ce/sport to register and visit www.bctf.ca/pebc for more information. Contacts for this event are David Munro (munrod@douglascollege.ca) or Lisa Manzini (Imanzini@sd48.bc.ca).

BC Science Teachers' Association (BCSsTA), Catalyst 2016 Annual Conference Quality Science Teaching - Richmond (Henry James Cambie Secondary School). Please visit www.bcscta.ca for more information.

BC Association of Drama Educators (ABCDE) Conference - Kelowna at Okanagan Mission Secondary. Please visit www.bcdramateachers.com or contact Gordon Hamilton (ghamilton@sd35.bc.ca) for more information.

BC Dance Educators' Association (BCDEA), Spirit of Movement 2016 - Burnaby (Burnaby Mountain Secondary). Please visit www.bcdea.ca or contact psac73@bctf.ca for more information.

BC Music Educators' Association (BCMEA), Annual Conference and Annual General Meeting - Richmond (River Rock Resort). Please visit www.bcmeaconference.com or contact Matthew Martin (mmartinbcmea@gmail.com) for more information.

BC Culinary Arts Specialists Association (BCCASA), Old Traditions and New Tastes in Culinary Education - Kamloops (NorKam Secondary). Please visit www. Bccasa.ca for more information.

BC Learning Assistance Teachers' Association (LATA), The Power of Memory - Vancouver. Please contact Linda Harris (lgh354@hotmail.com) for more information.

BC Teacher-Librarians' Association (BCTLA), Heroic Efforts - Burnaby (Byrne Creek Secondary School). Please visit http://bctlaconference.ca to register and Heather Daly daly_heather@hotmail.com for more information.

BC Primary Teachers' Association (BCPTA), Inspiring Stories - Nanaimo (Vancouver Island Conference Centre). Please visit www.bcpta.ca.

Association of Educators of Gifted Talented and Creative Children in BC (AEGTCCBC), Delighting Gifted Students with Complexity - Vancouver (Holiday Inn Vancouver Centre - Broadway). Please contact Elizabeth Ensing (ebbensing@gmail.com) for more information.

BC Social Studies Teachers' Association (BCSSTA), Media and Truth in the 21st Century - Vancouver (Vancouver Technical Secondary). Please visit http://www.bcssta.wordpress.com for more information and www.bcsstaconference.ca or bcssta@gmail.com to register.

BC Technology Education Association (BCTEA) Conference - Kelowna (Mount Boucherie Secondary School). Please visit www.bctea.org for more information.

BC Association provinciale de professeurs d'immersion et du programme francophone (APPIPC), La reussite en français, pour toutes et pour tous! - Richmond (Sheraton Vancouver Airport). Please visit www.congresappipc.ca for more information. The contact for this event is Sophie Bergeron (sbergeron@sd43.bc.ca).

BC Business Education Association (BCBEA), BizTech 2016 - Richmond (Kwanlen Polytechnic University). Please contact www.bcbea.ca for more information.

BC School Counsellors' Association (BCSCA), Change our Story - Richmond (Pacific Gateway Hotel - Vancouver Airport). Please register at www.bcscaconference.ca or email info@bcscaconference.ca for more information.

BC Environmental Educators' PSA (EEPSA), Confluence Experiential Learning Symposium - Vancouver. Please visit www.iterated.ca/confluence-2016 for more information. Please contact W. Bradley Gooderham for more information wbgooderham@iterated.ca.

BC Association of Mathematics Teachers (BCAMT), Math is Social - Vancouver (Gladstone Secondary School). Please visit www.bcamt.ca/fall2016 for more information. Contact for this event is colin.mclellan@gmail.com.

BC Association of Teachers of Modern Languages (BCATML), Celebrating Languages - Burnaby (Burnaby South Secondary School). Please visit http://www.bcatml.org to register and contact Rome Lavrencic (rlavrenc@sd40.bc.ca) or Stacey Sveistrup (spicedropss@gmail.com for more information).

BC Teachers of Home Economics Specialist Association (THESA), Home Economics: The PULSE of Everyday Living - Richmond (Richmond High School). Please visit www.thesaconference.ca of contact Catherine Hay (chay@sd38.bc.ca) for more information.

BC Art Teachers' Association (BCATA), Intersections 2016 - Victoria (University of Victoria). Please visit www.intersections2016.ca or contact Regan Rasmussen (rrasmussen@shaw.ca for more information.

BC Teachers of English Language Arts (BCTELA), Empowering Learners: Renewing our Practice - Victoria (Royal Bay Secondary). Please visit www.bctela.ca or contact Laura Lancaster llancaster@sd62.bc.ca for more information.

E. PITA - Fall Conference (October 21-22, 2016)

There is specific information provided by the BC Provincial Intermediate Teachers' Association PSA event which will be held in Delta, BC this year at North Delta Secondary. This event will be a two day event from Friday, October 21st to Saturday, October 22nd. Please visit www.mypita.ca for more information and please see the attachments to this email.

The attachments provide information on the structure of this event as well as descriptions of the workshops.

F. Central Okanagan Teachers Association Conference (Kelowna - October 21st)

The Central Okanagan Teachers' Association has local PD events for teachers. If you are interested in attending their PD day, please visit https://www.mycota.ca/conferences/october-pro-d.html for more information.

The Keynote for their conference is Dr. Phil McRae is an Executive Staff Officer with the Alberta Teachers' Association and an adjunct professor at the University of Alberta. He is renowned for his expertise in education transformation and personalized learning.