



SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 19 (REVELSTOKE)

Indigenous Education Council Meeting

May 5th, 2026

Minutes

1) WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

- Round table introductions. In attendance: K. Strobbe, C. Luke, N. Joseph, B. Joseph, M. Howard, B. Martin, J. Wallach, R. Kubik

2) ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Add: CHILL Program

Agenda was accepted as amended.

3) ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

Minutes dated March 2nd, 2026, were approved as presented.

4) OLD BUSINESS

a) School Act Amendments Overview

- Jodi reviewed Bill 40 "Purposes of Indigenous Education Councils" and the section "Board Consultation with Indigenous Education Councils" from the School Act as a reminder about the purpose for coming together as an Indigenous Education Council.
- The School Act Amendment document has been uploaded to the IEC page on the Indigenous Education Department website for easy reference when needed.

b) Budget

a. Targeted funds

o Current year

1. See attached budget
2. S pending to date is \$96,592.50.
3. We are expecting a \$35,000 surplus due to staffing and availability of Knowledge Holders.

Brittany/Mel

Motion: Increase scholarship amount starting this year and add revising the scholarship criteria to 26-27 Work Plan. The maximum amount is \$5000 with students receiving \$1000-\$1500 scholarships. (1-3 students: \$1500 each, 4 students: \$1250 each, 5 students \$1000 each)

CARRIED

- Next year
 1. See attached budget
 2. Projecting a budget of \$194,310 including the surplus.
 3. Proposed expenses \$171,000 to be revisited throughout the year.
 4. Staffing: Continue allocating two blocks of staffing for the Indigenous Lead Teacher to deliver enhanced support to all identified Indigenous students at RSS, along with an additional 12 hours of Indigenous Student Support time to address specific, targeted needs as they arise. The effectiveness of this approach will be reviewed regularly throughout the year to ensure it meets students' academic, social-emotional, and cultural needs.
 5. Increase budget for Knowledge Holders

b. Capacity funds

- Current year
 1. See attached budget
 2. Current spending is \$30,458.17
 3. We are expecting a \$76,000 surplus
 4. We discussed an honorarium for the trustee position as this is the only person on the IEC who needs to take an unpaid leave from work to attend meetings. **Action item: Roberta will look into options for the district to support. Action item: Jodi will schedule meetings on Thursdays going forward.**

- Next year
 1. See attached budget
 2. Projecting a budget of \$105,767 including the surplus
 3. Proposed expenses of \$58, 050
 4. Continue with retreat and community engagement

c. Knowledge Holders

- **Action item: Jodi will create a tentative plan for 26-27 to discuss at the Fall meeting**
- Ideally members will commit to arranging Knowledge Holders to visit Revelstoke classes on a schedule that works best for them. (Fall/Spring travel, chunking of time to reduce travel, etc)

- d. Language
 - Tabled
 - **Action item: Nerissa will discuss introducing introductory language in schools at the Nation level.**
 - **Action item: Kristi will follow up with Mara Nelson to determine where the directive originated.**
 - Plan to use local sound bites instead of First Voices. This will help build connection and ensure local Nations are consulted.
 - If teachers would like to incorporate Indigenous language, they need to share the request with Jodi Wallach who will consult with the IEC.
- e. Land Acknowledgment
 - Tabled with a goal to have a recommendation by the Fall IEC meeting.
 - **Action item: Members will consult with Chief and Council**
- f. Indigenous NI day - May 10
 - Jodi will attend the SD 83 Kwsaltktnéws ne Secwepemcúl'ecw Indigenous Day of Learning on May 8th
 - The last part of the day will be opportunity for individual or group reflection on the day's learning as this will be professional development.
- g. Plant descriptions on the website
 - Include citing. When not available, request Nation approval through the IEC.
 - **Action item: Jodi will share updated descriptions for approval before updating the website.**
 - Remove Okanagan language as they do not sit on the IEC and have not shared approval at this time.

5. NEW BUSINESS

1. IEC members
 - a. **Action item: Jodi will update the website indicating that Kristi and Caytlyn are voting members.**
2. Regional IEC - Nov 24-25
 - a. **Action item: Jodi will share Caytlyn's contact information to sit on the planning committee**
 - b. **Action item: Jodi will arrange to have rooms booked for Nov 23-26**
3. Working plan 26-27
 - a. Tabled
4. Family Gatherings and Ceremonies
 - a. The Graduation Ceremony is June 4 at 11:00 am

- b. Request for the Chief to attend as a dignitary needs to be passed through Nerissa and Kristi
 - c. **Action item: Jodi will forward request for Chiefs to attend the Graduation ceremony as a dignitary**
 - d. Find ways to combine events, meetings, and presentations to maximize time when people travel to Revelstoke.
 - e. **Action item: Share calendar of events with IEC to help with planning.**
5. Indigenous Program annual report out
- a. An annual, or seasonal update to IEC members so they can see the work being done
 - i. What are schools doing themselves?
 - ii. What is happening at the district level?
6. Indigenous Peoples Day
- a. Review of what has been done in the past
 - b. Shared ideas of activities happening in other communities
 - c. **Action item: Jodi work with leadership team to help generate big ideas and then we can ask the IEC how they can support us.**
7. IEC Community Engagement
- a. Continue with community dinners and events the evening before in-person IEC meetings.
 - b. Involve community library!
 - c. IEC member commitment to attend special days
8. CHILL
- a. Brittany shared a concern that the CHILL (Caring, Health, Independence, Learning, Leadership) support room is open for students five out of eight blocks at the high school. She asked if the IEC could support a request to increase the number of blocks offered.
 - b. Roberta shared a document that was prepared in collaboration with the CHILL teachers, outlining the program and its intentions.
 - c. Recommendation that parents continue to work with school leaders as this does not fall within IEC mandate.

6. STANDING ITEMS

- 1. Staff highlights - Mya and Kiara shared their highlights (see attached)
- 2. Budget - covered above
- 3. Community updates
 - a. Kristi and Caytlyn- just finished two major youth events (Mar/Apr).
Upcoming: youth event to tour the dam and release salmon, summer student program, and the Yaqan Nukiy Pow Wow.

- b. Brittany - Indigenous Friendship Society (IFSR) is hosting an Indigenous Artisan, Creator, Fashion Gathering on June 21-22. <https://www.indigenousrevelstoke.com/events> and is hosting a summer solstice event on June 21.
- c. Mel - Salmon Arm Metis has a new office with a community kitchen. They will be holding youth cooking classes and hosting a series of cultural events in the fall. They shut down for the summer.
- d. Nerissa and Brenna - new band school is coming along!

7. Adjournment - 2:30

Indigenous Education Budget 25-26		
Item	Estimated	Actual
Aboriginal Education Grant (\$1770 x 83)	146,910	159,310
Surplus	25,000	27573
Total working Budget	171,910	186,883
Total expenses (from budgets listed below)	\$ 169,576.00	\$ 96,592.50

Wages		
Item	Estimated	Actual
Salaries and Benefits	144,770	90437.68
Crim Record check (every three years)	56	84
Total Wages	144,826	\$90,521.68

Contracted Services 131-328		
Item	Estimated	Actual
Knowledge Holders	10,000	1263.32
Delreé DuMont	4,000	
Total Contracted Services	14,000	\$1,263.32

Travel - Adults 131-342		
Item	Estimated	Actual
FNESC	1000	2162.41
OMRIE	300	
Total Travel - Adults	\$ 1,300.00	\$2,162.41

Travel - Students 131-333		
Item	Estimated	Actual
Primary Winter Gathering	500	0
Student Leadership Summit	1000	
Other opportunities	1000	
Total Travel - students	\$ 2,500.00	\$0.00

Meetings & Cultural Events 131-346		
Item	Estimated	Actual
Winter family gathering	750	598.2
OMRIE fees	250	
Family gathering & Milestone ceremony	1000	
Total Cultural events	\$ 2,000.00	\$598.20

In Service/Professional Development 131-340/344		
Item	Estimated	Actual
Contractual	300	300
FNESC	650	650
Total In Service	\$ 950.00	\$950.00

Instructional Supplies 131-511/512		
Item	Estimated	Actual
	1500	319.95
Total Instructional Supplies	\$ 1,500.00	\$319.95

Indigenous Targeted Spending

Resources - Books 131-524		
Item	Estimated	Actual
	1000	276.94
Total Resources	\$ 1,000.00	\$276.94

Equipment 131-581		
Item	Estimated	Actual
Total Equipment	\$ -	\$0.00

Awards 131-527-602		
Item	Estimated	Actual
Scholarships	1500	500
Total Awards	\$ 1,500.00	\$500.00

IEC Capacity Budget 25-26		
Item	Estimated	Actual
25-26	78,588	
Surplus	47,687	
Total working Budget	\$ 126,275.00	

IEC Capacity Funds		
Item	Estimated	Actual
Secretariat	20000	10000
Meetings and ProD	17350	5067.66
Travel		9190.51
Honorarium	12000	6200
Total Travel - students	\$ 49,350.00	\$ 30,458.17

IEC Capacity Funding

IEC Capacity spending 25-26		
	Estimated	Actual
October 10th Splantsin meeting	\$2,149.38	\$2,460.78
Oct 20th IEC meeting	\$989.34	\$1,079.41
Nov 18-19 Regional IEC gathering	\$4,500.00	\$4,226.37
Dec 1st virtual special meeting	\$1,200	\$1,200
Jan virtual special meeting	\$600	\$150
Winter retreat - 2 days	\$10,000	\$9,727
Two virtual half-day meetings	\$2,400	
May in person full day meeting	\$5,800	\$1,615
Secretariat	\$20,000	\$10,000
JCam	\$1,200	
FNESC (Chair)		
Board meetings (10x\$50)	\$500	
Total	\$49,338.72	\$30,458.17

Indigenous Education Budget 26-27		
Item	Estimated	Actual
Aboriginal Education Grant (\$1790 x 89)	159,310	
Surplus	35,000	
Total working Budget	194,310	
Total expenses (from budgets listed below)	\$ 171,000.00	\$ -

Wages		
Item	Estimated	Actual
Salaries and Benefits	120,000	
Crim Record check (every three years)	0	
Total Wages	120,000	\$0.00

Contracted Services 131-328		
Item	Estimated	Actual
Knowledge Holders	30,000	
Delreé DuMont final mural	4,000	
Total Contracted Services	34,000	\$0.00

Travel - Adults 131-342		
Item	Estimated	Actual
	0	
	0	
Total Travel - Adults	\$ -	\$0.00

Travel - Students 131-333		
Item	Estimated	Actual
Primary Winter Gathering	500	0
Student Leadership Summit	1000	
Other opportunities	5000	
Total Travel - students	\$ 6,500.00	\$0.00

Meetings & Cultural Events 131-346		
Item	Estimated	Actual
Winter family gathering	750	
OMRIE fees (includes Student Leadership Summit)	250	
Family gathering & Milestone ceremony	1000	
Total Cultural events	\$ 2,000.00	\$0.00

In Service/Professional Development 131-340/344		
Item	Estimated	Actual
Contractual (ProD)	300	
Other opportunities	700	
Total In Service	\$ 1,000.00	\$0.00

Instructional Supplies 131-511/512		
Item	Estimated	Actual
	1500	
Total Instructional Supplies	\$ 1,500.00	\$0.00

Indigenous Targeted Spending

Resources - Books 131-524		
Item	Estimated	Actual
	1000	
Total Resources	\$ 1,000.00	\$0.00

Equipment 131-581		
Item	Estimated	Actual
Total Equipment	\$ -	\$0.00

Awards 131-527-602		
Item	Estimated	Actual
Scholarships	5000	
Total Awards	\$ 5,000.00	\$0.00

IEC Capacity Budget 26-27		
Item	Estimated	Actual
26-27	29,492	
Surplus	76,275	
Total working Budget	\$ 105,767.00	

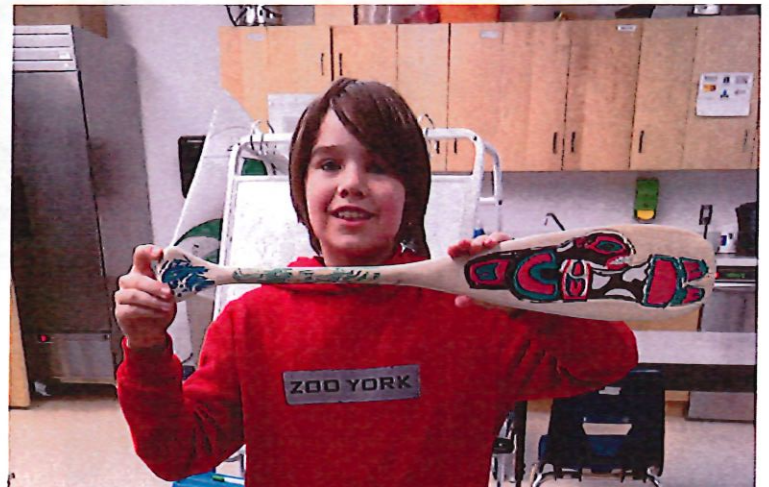
IEC Capacity Funds		
Item	Estimated	Actual
Secretariat	20000	
Meetings and ProD	22450	
Honorarium	15600	
Total Travel - students	\$ 58,050.00	\$ -

IEC Capacity Funding

Regular Year					
	Honorarium	Travel costs	Meeting costs	Total	Original
Fall in person meeting	2400	1800	2000	\$6,200.00	\$5,800.00
Virtual meeting (Full day)	2400			\$2,400.00	\$1,200.00
Virtual meeting (half day)	1200			\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
May in person full day meeting	2400	1800	2000	\$6,200.00	\$5,800.00
Two-day retreat - need determined by IEC	3600	4700	1700	\$10,000	\$10,000
IEC Regional		3200	2250	\$5,450	\$5,000
Special meetings (2 virtual half days)	2400			\$2,400	\$2,400
Secretariat				\$20,000	\$20,000
Provincial meetings (chair)	400	1000		\$1,400	\$1,400
FNESC		1500	500	\$2,000	\$2,000
Board meetings (16x\$50)	800			\$800	\$800
Total	\$15,600.00	\$14,000.00	\$8,450.00	\$58,050.00	\$55,600.00

6.

Mya's highlights



Kiara's Highlights

In both BVE and CPE I have been focusing on building confidence in academic skills, particularly math and ELA, as well as confidence in the students themselves. I have also helped in full class sessions on sacred medicines, Raven's stories/teachings and am currently helping classes to learn about Coyotes stories/teachings. Watching these students improve in their skills and start believing in themselves a little bit more each day has been really special, and overall, I'm happy that I get to be a part of their journey in becoming themselves :)

