



Media Release

Highlights of January 13, 2015 Board Meeting

British Columbia Youth Parliament

At the January 13, 2015 meeting of the Board of Education, Charles Hays Secondary School Principal Sandy Pond and Teacher Dianne Rabel brought a group of students to describe their experience in participating in the 86th British Columbia Youth Parliament. Students Ashtyn Andreesen, Jeremy Angus, Paul Cavin, Navi Nanan, Tanveen Randhawa, Eva Rutherford and Morgan Weir all spoke, describing their experiences at the BCYP.

The benefits experienced by the students included improved confidence in public speaking and the opportunity to hear widely divergent opinions on matters of importance to youth. The students left BCYP with a better understanding of the political system in Canada.

"It was encouraging to hear that our local students were among the top BC Youth Parliament fundraisers in the Province," said Board Chair Tina Last. "It is clear that this program is successful in developing confident young people who will be our future leaders."

Bread Loaf School of English

The Board of Education would like to express its thanks to Ridley Terminals Inc. for its second year of sponsorship of teacher education at the Bread Loaf School of English. Teachers Carol Brown and Mackenzie Hubbell will be travelling to either Vermont or New Mexico this summer to participate in an extraordinary opportunity to further their understanding of creative writing, literature, and drama.

BC Transit Survey

BC Transit is proposing some changes to its bus routes in order to address crowding issues after school. As part of their review process, they have asked if students at Prince Rupert Middle School could complete a short survey about the proposed changes. The Board of Education approved the administration of this survey, and hopes BC Transit will be successful in addressing needs of students.

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