Message from the President

It's hard to believe that as I sit here and write this it is already January 31!!! I hope most of you have stayed healthy and managed to avoid the flu and cold that has been affecting so many (me included).

I have just returned from a week-long course on Collective Bargaining which was informative, busy and enjoyable all at the same time. Bargaining may be two years away...but I'm always on the lookout for language that needs to be made clearer or changed as we move closer to 2019.

There is a general meeting next TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 7pm at the Tolmie Building. It was my intention to canvass the membership to see if an alternative time might attract more members - unfortunately due to many circumstances I wasn't able to make that happen, however, please watch for a survey coming out shortly regarding meeting times/dates. I know that alternative times have been tried in the past so we will see what the responses are.

Jane Massy

Know Your Contract

22.02 Proof of Illness

- (i) An employee <u>may</u> be required to produce a certificate from a medical practitioner for any illness after five (5) consecutive working days certifying that the employee was unable to carry out the required duties due to illness. A form outlining the required information will be provided by the employer and the employee will have it completed by their physician.
- (ii) The Board agrees to reimburse the employee for the cost of the medical certificate requested in subsection (i) above.

Next Membership Meeting

- Tuesday, February 7, 2016 7:00 PM
- Tolmie Board Room—School Board Main

Administration Building—556 Boleskine Rd

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Aboriginal Information column

Did you know?

Reconciliation is about establishing and maintaining mutually respectful relationships between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal peoples in this country.

Did you know?

There was a 40-60% mortality rate in Indian residential schools.

Did you know?

School District 61 has a wealth of information available for teaching or assisting students in their education around our history.

Did you know?

This information is available through our Aboriginal Nations Education Division (ANED)

Did you know?

ANED has now catalogued over 5,000 books and videos on Aboriginal people. District staff, students and the community are welcome to review the materials and to check them out for personal or classroom use. The Centre is located at the ANED Office at the rear of the Tolmie Building at 556 Boleskine Road. Telephone: (250) 475-4131 or (250) 475-4124

Now you know

Thank you Taily



Hearts & Flowers



Do you know a member who

- has something to celebrate?
- could use a pick-me-up?
 Email nchristensen@sd61.bc.ca

Please include position and location

Contest—Know your Newsletter

December winner—Beth Powell

Answers can be found in this issue of the newsletter

When is the next JOHS training date?

Email responses to: kerrberr62@gmail.com. With the subject line—NEWSLETTER

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February 24, 2017 Pro-D
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information as it becomes
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NEWSLETTER ITEMS

Thank you to those who have submitted items.

Please keep them coming!

If you won a prize for our newsletter contest but, have not yet received it, please contact me by email.

My computer ate my list of winners.

Kerrie Proudlove, Editor