



ASSOCIATION OF YUKON SCHOOL COUNCILS, BOARDS & COMMITTEES

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We'd like to extend a big thank you to those AYSCBC Member School Councils who attended our Annual General Meeting on September 26th. We appreciate your time, attention, ideas and feedback as we continue planning and providing services. We have posted our Reports and 2014-2015 Workplan on the [AGM page](#) of our website and as always, welcome questions and comments.

“STRESSED IS DESSERTS SPELLED BACKWARDS!”

These words were part of a presentation made by Dr. Sonia Lupien at the recent Yukon Teachers' Association conference. The theme was ***'Minds Wide Open'*** with a focus on brain development, stress and its effects on memory and learning, understanding trauma, nurturing resilience and relationships—all important aspects of living and working with children, youth and families.

Dr. Lupien's slides are available for downloading at: <http://www.yta.yk.ca/index.php/latest-news/409-download-dr-lupien-s-conference-files.html>.

We appreciate YTA taking non-member registrations and AYSCBC was able to sponsor 5 seats at this very informative and engaging event.

MORE INFORMATION SOURCES...

Yukon Education has posted their [Student Support Services Manual](#) which provides guidelines and outlines the methods used to determine how to best support those students with social, emotional and physical challenges.

Interested in learning more about Digital Literacy--online safety and being web aware?

Check out the many links posted here: <http://internetsafetyresources.weebly.com/for-parents.html>

Looking for more information about Yukon First Nations curriculum resource materials?

There are lots to be found at: <http://www.yesnet.yk.ca/firstnations/curriculum.html>



SOME KEY INFORMATION THAT SCHOOL COUNCILS NEED FROM THEIR SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS

Administrators play a key part in the advisory and decision-making role that School Council members have. They provide important information to the Council about their school's successes, challenges and status on a variety of topics--some of these are:

- enrolment
- attendance
- courses and programming
- student progress
- discipline/behaviour
- field trips
- staffing
- policies
- student transportation
- renovations and resource allocation
- progress on school growth plan goals
- community contact (incoming and outgoing)
- school events

When School Council members ask good questions, this can help build understanding around the table, in the school and in the community.



SOME UPCOMING CONFERENCES OUTSIDE OF YUKON

☆AYSCBC Members might like to refer to the organization's policy on

[Financial Support For AYSCBC Member School Councils To Attend Professional Development Events](#)

Association of Alaska School Boards Annual Conference

Dates: November 6th – 9th

Location: Anchorage Hilton Hotel

Conference website: <http://aasb.org/> (scroll ½ way down the page for event information)

BC Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils Leadership Conference

Dates: November 21st - 23rd

Location: Vancouver Island Conference Center, Nanaimo

Conference website: <http://conference.bccpac.bc.ca/schedule.html>

First Nation Education Steering Committee Conference “20 years, Transforming Education”

Dates: December 4th - 6th

Conference website: <http://www.fnesc.ca/conference>



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we can make a difference

☆ **SCHOOL COUNCILS WHO ARE CURRENT MEMBERS OF AYSCBC** ☆

Nelnah Bessie John	Ghuch Tla	Grey Mountain Primary
Chief Zzeh Gittlit	St. Elias	Watson Lake
Del Van Gorder	Ross River	Porter Creek Secondary
Robert Service	Tantalus	F.H. Collins Secondary
Eliza Van Bibber	J. V. Clark	Hidden Valley Elementary
Selkirk Elementary	Teslin	Golden Horn Elementary
Takhini Elementary	Kluane Lake	Ecole Whitehorse Elementary

Want to learn more about Membership, please [contact us](#) and we'd be glad to talk with you.

***AYSCBC promotes School Council, Board and Committee service
as a meaningful way to make long term contributions
to your local community and society.***

If you'd like us to attend one of your meetings, or meet with you at another time, let us know—one of us would be happy to do so.

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