



# ASSOCIATION OF YUKON SCHOOL COUNCILS, BOARDS & COMMITTEES

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## JANUARY 2017 NEWSLETTER



### The SPRING SCHOOL COUNCILS' CONFERENCE & AYSCBC Annual General Meeting will be held from

Thursday evening, April 27<sup>th</sup> through Saturday afternoon, April 29<sup>th</sup>  
at the Yukon Inn in Whitehorse.

**Please mark your calendars and stay tuned for more information!**

*We are looking for ideas and welcome School Council members to be part of the planning committee, if you're interested, please send an email to [Carol](#) and we'll follow up with you.*

*Thanks!*

## EXECUTIVE MEMBER POSITION CHANGES

We'd like to advise our AYSCBC Members and other newsletter readers of a recent change of officer in the position of Chair—Cathy Deacon has now taken on that role. She served on the Porter Creek Secondary School Council from 2010 until January 2016 and became a Member of the Executive in April 2016. Bob Laking, former Chair, continues as a member of the Executive after serving in the Chair position for many years.

## YUKON SCHOOL WEBSITES

Did you know that you can check out other school's websites by heading to: [www.ayscbc.org](http://www.ayscbc.org) and then head to the [SCHOOL COUNCILS tab](#) and once there, click on 'Yukon Schools'. They are all there, by community. And while some of them need updating, it's an interesting way to learn more about our schools and their School Councils, policies, contacts, meeting discussions and decisions, etc.

## SOME ONLINE LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

### Articles:

**“Fostering Good Digital Citizenship in a Wireless World”**

<https://www.ophea.net/article/safe-savvy-online#.WEWojfmU5LO>

**“Post-Secondary Education In Canada: A Response To The Truth And Reconciliation Commission Of Canada”**

[http://www.schoolofpublicpolicy.sk.ca/documents/research/policy-briefs/PolicyBrief-Post Secondary Education in Canada.pdf](http://www.schoolofpublicpolicy.sk.ca/documents/research/policy-briefs/PolicyBrief-Post%20Secondary%20Education%20in%20Canada.pdf)

### Webinars:

**“Supporting Your Child’s Development”**

<http://www.albertaschoolcouncils.ca/events/EventDetails.aspx?id=854464>

**‘Creating Safe Schools’**

<http://www.safeschoolsmanitoba.ca>



## AYSCBC LENDING LIBRARY

**As a benefit of AYSCBC Membership, all School Councils who support the organization have access to borrowing a variety of books--just get in touch with [Carol](#) and we'll make sure it reaches you and/or your school. (Not sure if your School Council is a member? Check the last page of this newsletter.) Here are a few more titles we have:**

**Inventive Teaching-The Heart of the Small School-** by Judith Kleinfeld, G.W.McDiarmid, William Parrett. *“This book highlights programs and ideas that take advantage of small classrooms and of other resources in the local community and environment, programs that demonstrate the inventiveness and imagination of teachers at small schools.”*

**Building Resilience in Children and Teens** by Kenneth Ginsberg.

*“Dr. Ginsberg has focused on one of the most critical traits necessary for students on their path to self-actualization. This book provides a commonsense approach and time-tested exercises for stress reduction for students. ‘Building Resilience’ can be the “spark” to assist students in their social-emotional growth.” (R. Piagentini)*

**The Little Book of Restorative Justice** by Howard Zehr.

*This book outlines what restorative justice is...a process to involve, to the extent possible, those who have a stake in a specific offense and to collectively identify and address harms, needs, and obligations, in order to heal and put things as right as possible.*

**Robert's Rules for Dummies** by C. Alan Jennings.

*"Need to read up on Robert's Rules? Relax! This clear easy to use guide makes parliamentary procedure simple to understand and apply."*



Thanks to those School Councils who have sent us their monthly meeting dates for posting on our [online calendar](#)!! We look forward to hearing from others so we know when you are meeting and others can find out as well.

### Some upcoming Professional Development

February 15-17, 2017 **Canadian Conference On Promoting Healthy Relationships For Youth: Breaking Down The Silos In Addressing Mental Health & Violence**, London Ontario

[http://www.prevnet.ca/sites/prevnet.ca/files/can-con-promoting-healthy-relationships-youth-savethedate\\_003.pdf](http://www.prevnet.ca/sites/prevnet.ca/files/can-con-promoting-healthy-relationships-youth-savethedate_003.pdf)

Feb 19, 2017 **Safe Schools Manitoba Conference, Winnipeg**

[http://www.safeschoolsmanitoba.ca/documents/SafeSchoolsMB2017Conference\\_Program.pdf](http://www.safeschoolsmanitoba.ca/documents/SafeSchoolsMB2017Conference_Program.pdf)

March 5 – 7, 2017 **Alberta Rural Education Symposium**, Edmonton

Further information: <http://www.albertaruraleducation.ca>

March 26 - 28, 2017 **Strengthening the Circle ... Creating Connections National Congress on Rural Education in Canada**

More information is available here: <https://selu.usask.ca/ruraled>

**And on April 27-29<sup>th</sup>, make sure your School Council has representation at the Spring 2017 Yukon School Councils' Conference and Association of Yukon School Councils, Boards & Committees Annual General Meeting!!**

School Council members and other interested individuals, we invite you to connect with us with your questions, comments and suggestions, contact [Carol](#), our Executive Director or any one of the AYSCBC Executive Members listed at the end of this newsletter.

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

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

Nelnah Bessie John  
Chief Zzeh Gittlit  
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Robert Service  
Eliza Van Bibber  
Selkirk Elementary  
Takhini Elementary  
Jack Hulland Elementary

Ghuch Tla  
St. Elias  
Ross River  
Tantalus  
J. V. Clark  
Teslin  
Kluane Lake  
Elijah Smith Elementary

Grey Mountain Primary  
Watson Lake  
Porter Creek Secondary  
F.H. Collins Secondary  
Hidden Valley Elementary  
Golden Horn Elementary  
Ecole Whitehorse Elementary

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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