

Vernon Teachers' Association

VOICES

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What's New

Interested in Joining the EC?

We have two vacant positions on the Executive Committee: Bargaining Chair and Local Aboriginal Education Contact. Please contact Cori Huizer: president@vernonta.com

SD22 Board of Trustees

On October 15th the following people were elected to sit as trustees:

Coldstream

Kelli Sullivan

Lumby

Gen Acto, acclaimed

Lori Mindrich, acclaimed

Vernon

Jenn Comazetto

Vanessa Mitchell

Mark Olsen

Tom Williamson

Upcoming Events

Oct/Nov **School Visits**

Oct 20 **VTA Rep Assembly Mtg**

Oct 21 **Prov Non-Instructional Day**

Oct 27/28 **Student Conferences**

Nov 10 **Non-Instructional Day**

Nov 11 **Remembrance Day**

Nov 17 **VTA Executive Mtg**

Know Your Collective Agreement

ARTICLE A.27 School Staff Committees

Each school staff has the right to form a staff committee structure that promotes and facilitates a democratic, collegial process in school-based decision making. They may consist of the total staff or a representative committee elected by the staff as a whole and includes a representative of school administration.

The staff committee may develop and maintain effective communication and consultative processes throughout the school, review school policies and procedures and develop recommendations for improvements, and receive and make recommendations on matters of concern presented by staff.

School administration can not arbitrarily refuse to implement these recommendations. When school administration rejects a recommendation they will submit the reasons for rejection in writing to the staff committee.

Connect with your Staff Representative to find out more about your school's Staff Committee.

District/VTA Committees

We are looking for VTA members who would like to join one of the VTA, district or joint committees. Through good discussion and healthy inquiry we find creative solutions and new ideas to support colleagues and classrooms throughout the district. It is important that we have a diverse representation of our members at these tables. For more information contact president@vernonta.com

Credit: Markus Spiske

School Trustee Candidate Forum

VTA, CUPE & DPAC hosted a Candidate Forum on October 3rd at VSS Secondary. Thank you to all colleagues who attended.



BCTF Fall Zone Meetings

Fall Zone Meetings were held across the province on October 13th-14th. Members of your VTA Executive Committee met with 9 other Okanagan locals in Kelowna and attended discrete sessions in Social Justice, Professional Development, Working Conditions/Bargaining, Presidents/Vice Presidents, and Health & Safety.



Want to Showcase Something You're Part of?

Are you working on something with students, colleagues, or independently that you'd like to share with other teachers in Vernon?

Send us a picture and/or a brief write-up of what you're working on. We'd love to include it here and on the VTA website. Please send information to communication@vernonta.com

Your Team for the Okanagan Zone Meetings!

Cori Huizer, VTA President
Billie Jo Beaudoin, Beairsto Elementary
Meghan Black, BX Elementary
Shay Best, BX Elementary
Shawna Mitchell, Kidston Elementary
Charlie Shearer, WL Seaton Secondary

