

NOTEBOOK

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NVTA RETIREMENT TEA
Monday, June 11, 2018
Seymour Golf & Country Club

***Congratulations to the
NVTA Grad Class of 2018!***

Angela Anzovino (Highlands)
Karen Barnett (Dorothy Lynas)
Serge Bedard (Leave)
Doreen Berg (Learning Services)
Kelly Berry (Argyle)
Dennis Braam (Seycove)
Don Carlson (Handsworth)
Michele Denny (Blueridge)
Alison Donoghue (Eastview)
Janet Dunkin (Argyle)
Dorothy Foster (Sutherland)
Louise Gagnon (Ross Road)
Marly Haller (Canyon Heights)
Andy Hone (Ridgeway)
Graham Jarvis (Carson Graham)
Jackie Krystal (Upper Lynn)
Michael Langille (Handsworth)
Janet Lonergan (Larson)
Bill Mahon (Sutherland)
Teresa McGee (Highlands)
David McGerrigle (Leave)
Willem Mikkers (DOC)
George Monkman (Learning Services)
Betty Nobel (Learning Services)
Deborah Nykyforuk (Brooksbank)
Jane O'Dowd (Leave)
Diana Romer (Mountainside)
Patti Stewart (Dorothy Lynas)
Terre Swan (Seymour Heights)
Carol Tallman (Lynn Valley)
Bryan Taylor (Argyle)
Martine Wakefield (Argyle)
Nancy Walter (Argyle)
Andrew Wiet (Ridgeway)
Steve Woodyard (Carson Graham)
Susan Young (Carisbrooke)
Lori Zuk (Handsworth)

A Message from the President

Thank you to all who came to our very well attended and very successful Annual General Meeting on Wednesday. It was great to see so many new BCTF members during our Induction Ceremony.

A big round of applause to BCTF President Glen Hansman who came to speak and answer questions on his birthday, which also happens to be the one year anniversary of the defeat of the BC Liberal government.

I described Glen as "calm, cool, and collected," and he truly is. Congratulations to our incoming NVTA Executive. I am looking forward to working with you. To Committee Chairs and Executive members who will not be part of the 2018-19 team, thank you for all your hard work and dedication. It is greatly appreciated by all.

The food prepared by Jorge and his staff at AMAGA Food Services was extremely tasty as always. And most importantly, thank you to our incredible Office Manager, Beth Triggs, who made sure that everything was in order for the meeting so that it all went so smoothly.

And to you, the NVTA members who guide us with your wisdom and your passion, thank you for the opportunity to represent you all for another year. When I speak, I speak with a thousand teacher voices by my side. Never stop advocating. Never stop participating. Never stop knowing that the NVTA is your voice and that I will always make sure that your voice is heard loud and clear.

MINUTES OF INSTRUCTION FOR 2018-2019

In order to accommodate a two-week Spring Break next year, the daily bell schedule for elementary schools will have nine minutes added to the contractual obligation of 285 minutes, not including recess. This creates a total of 294 minutes per day. This is two minutes longer than this year as Easter fell within Spring Break during 2017-18 but does not fall within Spring Break next school year. Consequently, five days rather than four days need to be made up.

Further, in order to accommodate five collaboration days for 2018-19 while ensuring that the instructional hours of all teachers do not exceed contractual obligations, the November 2, 2018 Curriculum Day will commence at each school's normal start time and end at 2 pm. The Administrative Day on June 28, 2019 shall end at 12:00 pm. **Please note that this year's Administrative Day on June 29, 2018, also ends at noon.**

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PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE 2019

Call Out for Organizing Committee Members

The NVTA will host a district-wide PD Conference on February 15, 2019.

The first meeting of the organizing committee will be on Tuesday, May 22 at 4pm at the NVTA office.

If you would like to be part of this committee, please RSVP to Beth Triggs - beth@nvta.ca.

SPRING POSTING ROUNDS

Round Two: May 16 – 23

Round Three: May 30 – June 6

Round Four: June 20 – 27

LEAVES DEADLINES 2018

Deadlines Approaching!

May 14 – Part-time/Increase to FTE requests (Article C. 24) p. 65

May 14 – Job-Share Requests (Article C.24) p. 65 (For teachers in full time and part time assignments, including those currently in Job Shares.

May 31 – Committed Transfer Requests (Article E.23.2.d) p. 90

REPORT FROM THE NVTA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NVTA AGM Election Results! 2018-2019 NVTA Executive and Standing Committee Chairs

President:	Martin Stuible
First Vice President:	Robin Deleurme
Second Vice President:	Carolyn Pena
Local Representatives:	Robin Deleurme Owen Howell Carolyn Pena
Alternate Local Rep:	Susanne Simon
Secretary:	Katrina Russell
Treasurer:	Carolann Fraenkel
Member at Large:	Roy Hunt Chris Miller
Nominating & Balloting:	Owen Howell
Professional Development:	Carolyn Pena
Social Justice:	Geneva Smail

The following motions were passed:

- That the Auditor's Report for 2016-2017 be accepted.
- That Clearline Chartered Accountants be appointed Auditor for the upcoming year 2017-2018.
- That the proposed PD Policy changes, as included in the AGM booklet, be adopted as amended.

The news continues...

Steve Zlotnik (Upper Lynn) was elected to the NVTA Bargaining Committee.

The pizza lunch for the highest percentage of staff in attendance at the AGM was won by the staff of Brooksbank.

The door prize was won by Roy Hunt (Ridgeway).

NVTA TEACHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

One Five Hundred Dollar (\$500) scholarship is available for each of the following North Vancouver secondary schools: Argyle, Carson Graham, Handsworth, Mountainside, Seycove, Sutherland and Windsor.

The scholarship committees at each of the schools will choose their recipient of the NVTA Teacher Education Scholarship. Students are not required to complete a special NVTA application form.

In order to be eligible, the student must be graduating from the Grade 12 program of a secondary school during the calendar year of the award. The student must also be planning to enter a teacher education program that would qualify the graduate to teach in the public schools of British Columbia.

The Teacher Education Scholarship is the only scholarship funded by the NVTA. Teacher Education Scholarship information was sent in the milkrun from the NVTA immediately after Spring Break to the scholarship committees and the Principals at each of the listed high schools.