



COSSTA Annual General Meeting Agenda

Location: Doc Willoughby's, 353 Bernard Avenue, Kelowna

Date: Tuesday September 27th, 2016

Time: 4:00 - 5:00 pm

Present: Kevin Nickel, Ryan Holly, Aaron Cassidy, Jillian Cornock, Dayna Hart, Derek Smith, Deb Holmes, Kyle Hamilton

Regrets: Graeme Stacey, Jason Hudson

Agenda:

1. President's report for 2015-16 (VP Derek Smith)

- Wrote a constitution
- February speakers – mini conference – Carl Wilkens
- Pro-D Funding – Future goal to increase awareness of this
- Email listserv operating
- Expanded executive – Dayna Hart, Jillian Cornock, Kevin Nickel

2. Treasurer's report for 2015-16 (Secretary-Treasury Ryan Holly)

- Reported on 2015-16 Budget, and proposed 2016-17 budget.
- Derek Smith spoke to trying to promote Social Studies related professional development for teachers; teachers directing their own professional development.
- Kyle Hamilton and Deb Holmes expressed interest in attending the BCSSTA October Conference

3. BCSSTA Update (Derek Smith)

- It appears that the Ministry is putting off finalizing the drafts of the 10-12 curricula for 12 months.
- Until the Ministry signs off teachers are not given much information.
- Several members expressed frustration with lack of information surrounding 10-12 curricula implementation.
- Some discussion about what will be a Grade 11 course and what will be a Grade 12 course in terms of senior Social Studies.

4. Website (Kevin Nickel)

- Website is now up and running; cosstabc.weebly.com
- Potential for Google Apps for communication, sharing resources, etc.
- Potential for communal drive if Google Apps does not work out.
- Website can act as a digital Archive for the Association
- Please send pictures from past events
- Kyle Hamilton spoke to how it could be beneficial to new teachers.

5. Plans for 2016-17

- February Conference: Collaboration with UBCO
- Pro-D Funding Requests
- Dayna Hart suggested perhaps we could offer a possible after school session (ex. Google Docs in the SS Classroom, new curriculum resources, etc.)

6. Elections

- Graeme Stacey elected President
- Derek Smith elected Vice President

- Kevin Nickel elected Technology Coordinator
- Ryan Holy elected Secretary-Treasurer
- Jason Hudson, Jillian Cornock, Dayna Hart, Kyle Hamilton, Deb Holmes were elected as Members-at-large

7. Other

- The COSSTA will pay the BCSSTA Conference fees for Kyle Hamilton and Deb Holmes.
- UBCO mini-conference – two presenters per time slot (total of four); 105 minute presentations.