AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN

School District No. 27
CARIBOO • CHILCOTIN

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 27
(CARIBOO-CHILCOTIN)

AND

THE INTERNATIONAL UNION
OF OPERATING ENGINEERS
LOCAL 959

JULY 1, 2014 TO JUNE 30, 2019
## Definitions & Recognition

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THIS AGREEMENT, made this, 30th day of September, 2014 between THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 27 (CARIBOO-CHILCOTIN), Williams Lake, B. C. (hereinafter referred to as "the Board") and THE INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS, LOCAL 959, Williams Lake, B. C. (hereinafter referred to as "the Union").

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS the Union has represented to the Board that it is authorized on behalf of all non-teaching employees of the Board as bargaining agent in the matter of rates of pay, salary and working conditions covering the employment of persons engaged by the Board for the carrying out of various services provided by the said Board;

AND WHEREAS the Board recognizes the said Union as the only bargaining agent of the said employees except those excluded by the Act;

AND WHEREAS it is the desire of both parties to this agreement to maintain the existing harmonious relationships between the Board and the Union, to recognize the mutual value of joint discussions and negotiations in all matters pertaining to collective bargaining, and to promote morale, well-being and security of those employees included in the bargaining unit.

NOW THEREFORE this agreement witnesseth and the parties hereto agree with each other as follows:

CLAUSE I - DEFINITIONS AND RECOGNITION

1.1 Definitions:

That for the purpose of this agreement, and unless the context otherwise requires:

a) "Probationary Employee" shall be defined as a person who is serving a probationary period of ninety (90) calendar days with the Board.

b) "Permanent Employee" shall be defined as a person who has satisfactorily completed the probationary period and is entitled to all benefits of this agreement.

c) "Casual Employee" shall be defined as a person who is employed on a day-to-day basis.

d) "Temporary Employee" shall be defined as a person assigned for a definite pre-determined period of over sixty (60) days or for illness, with a probationary period and full benefits including seniority rights while employed. Temporary employees do not have bumping rights at the end of their temporary appointment.

e) "Noon Hour Supervisor" and "Crossing Guard" shall be defined as an employee hired on a casual basis to whom no benefits apply except the level one (1) rate of pay for a Education Assistant, plus statutory holiday pay.

1.2 Term of Agreement

a) This agreement shall remain in effect for ninety (90) months, commencing July 1, 2014 through the period ending June 30, 2019. Either party may, within a period of four (4) months immediately preceding the date of expiry of this agreement, require by notice the other party to the agreement to commence collective bargaining.

b) In the event that the parties are unable by the expiry date of this agreement to conclude a collective agreement for the subsequent period, the parties agree that the terms and conditions of employment provided for in this agreement, will continue to apply during bargaining without prejudice to the right of either party to action permitted by Part 5 of the Labour Relations Code, and without prejudice to the provisions of this agreement.

c) In the event that future legislation conflicts with one (1) or more of the terms and conditions of this contract or renders any part of this agreement null and void, both parties agree to
meet within one (1) month of either party's request, to determine mutually satisfactory provisions under the new legislation. The remainder of the contract will remain in effect during this process.

d) In the event that there is a conflict between the contents of this Agreement and regulations made by the Board, this Agreement shall take precedence over the said regulation.

I.3 Management Responsibilities

The Union recognizes the right of the Board to operate and manage the operation of the school district in accordance with its commitments and responsibilities, and to make and alter, from time to time, rules and regulations to be observed by employees. Such rules and regulations shall not be contrary to the provisions of this agreement.

The Board shall always have the right to hire, assign, discipline, demote, and discharge employees for proper cause, subject to the provisions of this agreement and the Union's right to institute grievance procedure.

a) The Board agrees in exercising its personnel management responsibilities that there shall be no discrimination exercised or practiced with respect to any employee in the matter of hiring, wages, training, upgrading, promotion, assignment, transfer, layoff, recall, discipline, classification, or discharge by reasons of race, creed, colour, ancestry, national origin, religion, political affiliation or activity, sexual orientation not forbidden by law, sex, marital or parental status, family relationship, place of residence, handicap, nor by reason of his/her membership or activity in the union.

I.4 Contracting Out

The employer will not contract out work performed by bargaining unit members where it results in a layoff or reduction in hours.

No bargaining unit member will be displaced or replaced by the use of volunteers, outside contractors, or management staff.

If there are any appropriately qualified persons on the recall list, work will be offered to them before that work is contracted out.

I.5 Union Recognition and Dues

a) Every employee who is now or hereinafter becomes a member of the Union, shall maintain his/her membership in the Union as a condition of his/her employment, and every new employee shall, within fifteen (15) days of employment become a member of the Union as a condition of continued employment with the provision that the Union will not deny any employee the right to join in accordance with the local bylaws or constitution of the International Union of Operating Engineers. Deductions shall be made from the payroll on a bi-weekly basis and these deductions shall be forwarded to the financial secretary of the Union after the next scheduled accounts payable cheque run.

b) Notwithstanding the Board's obligation to provide notice of suspension, layoff or termination, should the Union suspend the membership of an employee the Union will notify the Board in writing at least five (5) working days before such suspension and the Board will not employ the suspended member for the duration of the suspension, nor will the Board be liable for any wages during the period of suspension.

c) The Board, at the end of each month, will provide a complete list of Union employees to the Financial Secretary of the Union, showing:

1. Union dues deducted;
2. The name, address and starting date of any new employee;
3. The name, address, and termination date of all permanent and temporary employees leaving the employment of the School District.

CLAUSE II - BOARD/UNION RELATIONSHIP

II.1 Liaison Committee

The Liaison Committee will exist between the Board and the Union with the following Terms of Reference:

a) will consist of five (5) representatives of the Union and four (4) representatives of the Board, one (1) of whom must be a trustee.

b) Meetings to be held at least monthly during the school year (September to June) unless mutually agreed to meet less frequently. The meetings will be chaired by the Board. Minutes shall be circulated within five (5) working days of a meeting and approved at the next meeting.

c) Discuss matters relating to the interpretations of the agreement, and when mutually agreed, develop letters of understanding regarding contract issues.

d) Discuss job descriptions for any new positions and changes for existing positions within the Union.

e) Establish salaries for any new positions within the Union.

f) Discuss organizational changes and position re-categorization requests.

g) Discuss, and recommend to the Board, policy items of mutual concern.

h) Establish ad hoc committees to investigate and make recommendations on matters of mutual concern. An agreement for sharing expenses will be established at the time the ad hoc committee is set up.

II.2 Safety Committee

There shall be a District Safety Committee comprised of representatives appointed by the Union, the Employer and other employee groups. The number of Employer representatives shall not exceed the total number of appointees by the Union and other employee groups.

II.3 Professional Development Fund

a) The Board shall contribute to the I.U.O.E. Professional Development fund an initial amount of eleven thousand five hundred dollars ($11,500.00) for the 1997/98 school year. On July 1 of each following school year, or on receipt of the schedule of distribution from the Union, whichever is later, the Board will "top up" the Professional Development Fund to eleven thousand five hundred dollars ($11,500.00).

b) The Professional Development Fund shall be controlled and administered by the Union's Professional Development committee.

c) The cost of a substitute may be paid by:
   i) the I.U.O.E. Pro-D fund at the discretion of the Union's Professional Development Committee
   ii) the employee him or herself (leave without pay)
   iii) the Board at its discretion
   iv) a school at its discretion
v) any outside agency
vi) any combination of the above
d) In the event of no agreement as to how substitute costs are to be paid, the employee will not be released for professional development.
e) By September 30 in each year, the Union will deliver to the Board a schedule of the distribution of the total monies paid out of the Professional Development Fund for the twelve (12) month period ending June in the same year.
f) The Pro-D fund will not be required to finance activities which are required of employees by the employer, but will be used for activities which are directly related to the employment responsibilities of the employee.

II.4 Unauthorized Soliciting/Representation

There shall be no unauthorized lobbying by any member or members of the Union or any member or members of the Board in respect to any matter covered by the agreement.

No employee or group of employees shall undertake to represent the Union at meetings with the Board or supervisory personnel without the proper authorization.

No employee shall be required to make any written or verbal agreement with the Board or its representatives which conflicts with the terms of this Collective Agreement.

II.5 Grievance Procedure

In any differences arising between the parties bound by this agreement concerning its interpretation, application, operation or alleged violation thereof, there shall be no stoppage of work because of such differences, and an earnest effort shall be made to settle the matter promptly in the following manner:

a) An employee who believes that he/she has a justifiable request or complaint may, alone or with his/her shop steward or a member of the grievance committee, discuss the matter with his/her immediate supervisor or departmental supervisor and if it be settled, that shall end the matter. Should the matter not be settled within ten (10) working days, the Union may invoke Step b.

b) The grievance shall be stated in writing together with the redress sought and submitted by the Union’s grievance committee to the Manager of Human Resources or designate. Should this step not settle the matter within five (5) working days, the Union may invoke Step c.

c) The grievance shall be discussed between the Manager of Human Resources or designate, the aggrieved employee, and the President of the Union or his/her designate from the Grievance Committee of the Union. This meeting shall be held within five (5) working days of the Union invoking Step c. If the matter is not settled within five (5) working days of the meeting held at Step c, the Union may invoke Step d.

d) The grievance shall be discussed between a Grievance Committee of the Board, consisting of the Director of Instruction – Human Resources, the Human Resources Generalist or designate and one (1) Trustee, the aggrieved employee, and the Grievance Committee of the Union, consisting of the President of the Union or his/her designate from the Grievance Committee of the Union and one (1) member of the Grievance Committee of the Union. This meeting shall be held within ten (10) working days of the Union invoking Step d. Failing settlement within fifteen (15) working days of the meeting held at Step d, the Union may invoke Step e.
A Board of Arbitration shall be formed to hear the grievance. Either party shall notify the other in writing of the question(s) to be arbitrated, and the name of and the address of its chosen representative on the Arbitration Board. After receiving such notification and statement, the other party shall within five (5) days appoint its representative on the Arbitration Board and give notice in writing of such appointment to the other party. Such representatives shall try to select a third member who shall be the chair. Should the representatives fail to select such a third member within five (5) days from appointment of the last representative, either party may request the Minister of Labour of the Province of British Columbia to appoint a chair. The expenses and compensation of the representatives selected by the parties shall be borne by the respective parties. The expenses and compensation of the chair shall be shared equally between the parties.

The Board of Arbitration shall report its decision on the grievance(s) as soon as possible after the appointment of the chair. The majority decision of the Board of Arbitration shall be final and binding on all persons bound by this agreement.

The arbitrator is restricted to dealing with the question in the grievance and shall not have the power to change this agreement by adding, deleting, amending, altering or modifying any of its terms and conditions.

Whenever a stipulated time is mentioned herein, the said time may be extended by mutual consent of both parties.

Picket Lines

All employees covered by this agreement shall have the right to refuse to cross a legal picket line arising out of a dispute as defined in the Labour Relations Code of British Columbia. Any employee failing to report for duty shall be considered to be absent without pay. Failure to cross a picket line encountered in carrying out the employer’s business shall not be considered a violation of this agreement, nor shall it be grounds for disciplinary action.

Working Conditions

a) Unsafe Working Conditions: No employee shall be disciplined for refusal to work on an assignment which has unsafe working conditions or with unsafe equipment that does not meet the standards established pursuant to the Workers’ Compensation Act. An inspection shall be carried out by a representative of the Board and the Union to determine the validity of the complaint. In the event that the matter cannot be resolved, work shall cease on that assignment or equipment until the WCB can investigate.

b) Employees sent home due to emergency school or facility closure will be paid for the remainder of the employee’s normal work day.

c) If an employee commences work on a normal work day and is then sent home because no work is available he/she shall be paid for the remainder of the regularly scheduled workday at his/her regular rate of pay.

d) In the event bus runs are cancelled due to unsafe road conditions or cold temperatures, bus drivers will be paid for the normal work day.

The arbitrator is restricted to dealing with the question in the grievance and shall not have the power to change this agreement by adding, deleting, amending, altering or modifying any of its terms and conditions.

Whenever a stipulated time is mentioned herein, the said time may be extended by mutual consent of both parties.

e) Employees unable to attend work due to unsafe weather conditions, and work is available, will be considered absent without pay.

f) Bank Deposits: Employees who are responsible for making bank deposits may, if the amount to be deposited exceeds one thousand dollars ($1,000.00), decline to make the deposit unless the employee is accompanied by a second employee during working hours.

g) Members of the bargaining unit shall not be required to supervise or train volunteers.

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II.8 Job Descriptions

The Board will give the Union a copy of all new and changed job descriptions as they are prepared. All new job descriptions are to be dated.

II.9 Funding Information

The Board agrees to provide the Union with costing and salary information directly applicable to the contract which is readily available and in a format normally prepared by the Board.

II.10 False Accusation

When an employee has been accused of physical or sexual misconduct involving a student, in the course of exercising their duties as an employee of the Board, and if:

a) the Board found the allegations have not been established to be true, and no criminal charges have been laid, or

b) the Board concludes that the allegations have not been established to be true and should criminal charges result, the employee is acquitted of criminal charges in relation to the allegation, or

c) an Arbitrator considering discipline or dismissal of the employee finds the allegation to be false, and no criminal charges are laid, or

d) an Arbitrator considering discipline or dismissal of the employee find the allegation to be false, and, should criminal charges result, the employee is acquitted of criminal charges in relation to the accusation,

The Board and Union shall assist the employee and employee's family with counselling or appropriate assistance as mutually agreed upon to deal with the negative effects of the false allegations. Should an employee be suspended pursuant to this clause, and, a,b,c,d, apply, then the employee shall be reinstated and receive retroactive pay for the time they were suspended.

II.11 Sexual Harassment

The Board and the Union do not condone and shall not tolerate any expression of sexual harassment.

a) Sexual harassment is defined as a repeated and unwelcome sexual comment, look, suggestion, request for sexual favours, or any other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature made by a person who knows or ought to know it is unwelcome; but may include a single sexual advance made by a person in a position of authority over the recipient when:

i) submission to such conduct is made whether explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an employee’s employment;

ii) submission to or rejection of such conduct by an employee is used as a basis for employment decisions affecting such employee; or

iii) such conduct has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an employee’s work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile, offensive, or uncomfortable working environment.

b) Complaints of sexual harassment shall be treated seriously and in strict confidence.

c) An employee who makes a complaint of sexual harassment shall have the right to apply to the Manager of Human Resources or designate for a leave of absence at any time after
making the complaint. If approved, the leave shall be with pay unless the complaint is found to be without foundation.

d) No employee shall be subject to reprisal, threat of reprisal, or discipline as a result of filing a bona fide complaint of sexual harassment. It is recognized that false or malicious complaints may damage the reputation of, or be unjust to, other employees and therefore the complainant may be subject to disciplinary action.

e) If desired by the complainant, attempts shall be made to resolve alleged complaints through informal means. The complainant employee may attempt to resolve the matter by informing the alleged harasser, with or without the presence of a Union representative, at the complainant employee's choice. If desired by the complainant, a written allegation of sexual harassment within the school district will be investigated by the Superintendent and the results reported to the Board.

f) If no agreement for resolution of the complaint has been reached or an agreement for resolution has been reached by the alleged offender, a complaint may be filed with a senior Board official. The senior Board official shall convene a meeting of the complainant and the alleged offender and each may be accompanied by a representative of the Union or another Board employee. Both parties shall attempt to reach agreement on a course of conduct.

g) In the event that the issue remains unresolved after f) above, a grievance may be submitted.

h) An employee found to have been sexually harassing another employee shall be subject to disciplinary action. Such action may include a verbal warning, a written warning, suspension, transfer of the offending party and/or dismissal.

II.12 Indemnity

a) The employer shall indemnify all employees against claim for damages arising out of the performance by the employee of his/her duties.

b) The Board agrees to indemnify Employees against all costs, charges and expenses, including legal fees and disbursements, actually and reasonably incurred by the Employee in connection with the investigation, prosecution and resolution of any charge, claim, complaint, action or other legal proceeding ("the proceeding") to which the Employee is or may be a party wholly or partially by reason of being or having been an Employee, provided that the Employee was acting within the scope and course of the Employee's appointment during those events causing the proceedings, and further, provided that in the case of a criminal proceeding, both the Employee and the Board had reasonable grounds for believing that the Employee's conduct giving rise to the criminal, civil or administrative proceedings, was lawful.

c) It is specifically agreed that the Board shall retain counsel of its choice to represent the Employee. During the proceedings the Board may agree to separate representation for the Employee, provided separate representation selected by the Employee will be by mutual agreement between the Board and the Employee and shall continue to be indemnified on the terms contained in sub-clause b).

d) The Board shall direct the defence of any proceeding against the Employee provided that no decision made by the Board will affect the liability of the Employee.

e) If the Employee while discharging the duties of their assigned appointment is the victim of a crime or a witness to a crime which arises during the course of or as a result of the discharging of the conditions and terms of this agreement, the Employee may, after first
obtaining approval from the Board, retain a lawyer to advise and assist the Employee, and
the Board will pay for all legal costs, taxes and disbursements incurred in connection with
that advice. The Legal assistance may include, but is not limited to, the provision of
services related to the following: preparation of victim impact statements; Communications
with police, the Crown, defence counsel or the media; application for victim compensation;
preparation for and attendance at criminal court proceedings relating to the incident;
commencement of a civil action; and preparation for and attendance at civil court
proceedings relating to the incident.

f) If in the Board’s opinion the proceedings of such civil action is unlikely to succeed or a
decision to cease actions will not affect the liability of the Employee or cause them to incur
any costs the Board may terminate such actions following consultation with the Employee. If
the Employee is successful in obtaining compensation by advancing a civil claim, the Board
will require the Employee to reimburse it for the legal costs, taxes and disbursements
incurred by the Board in the furtherance of the Employee civil claim. The monies reimbursed
to the Board by the Employee are not to exceed the total compensation awarded to the
employee in the civil action.

II.13 Bulletin Boards

The Union shall be provided with space on staff room and lunch room bulletin boards for the
posting of notices pertaining to Union business.

CLAUSE III SALARIES, ALLOWANCES, AND BENEFITS

III.1 Pay Cheques

a) All employees, including casuals when feasible, will be paid through a bank deposit system.

b) All appointed employees will be paid bi-weekly on Fridays in accordance with the hourly
rates of pay stated elsewhere in this agreement and the time sheets submitted to the
payroll department as verified by the employee’s supervisor. In the event that a Friday
which would normally be a pay day is a statutory holiday, employees shall be paid on the
preceding Thursday.

III.2 Records of Employment

Upon notification to the payroll department, records of employment shall be prepared within five
(5) working days of the last day worked, except when mass lay-offs occur, in which case records
of employment shall be prepared within fifteen (15) working days of the last day worked.

III.3 New Categories

If it is found necessary to engage the services of a permanent employee in a category not
provided for in this agreement, the matter shall be determined by the Board and the Liaison
Committee. This shall not apply to casual employees who shall be paid at a rate not less than the
basic rate paid in the department in which he/she is employed.

III.4 Job Substitution

a) If an employee is directed by his/her supervisor to substitute on a job during the absence of
another employee and satisfactorily performs all duties of the job for a minimum of one-half
(1/2) day he/she shall receive the level two (2) rate of pay for the job they are filling in on or
their regular rate of pay, whichever is greater.
b) When an absence, due to illness, is expected to be more than five (5) working days and less than ninety (90) calendar days, permanent employees working in the same department within the school or site may have first opportunity to substitute for the absent employee.

III.5 Allowances: (NOTE: the leadhand and first aid attendant appointments shall be at the discretion of the Board.)

a) i) Leadhand: An employee appointed to a lead hand position shall receive, in addition to his/her regular wage, one dollar and fifteen cents ($1.15) per hour for the duration of such appointment, except for the Bus Dispatcher Leadhand who will be paid one dollar and seventy three cents ($1.73) per hour for the duration of the appointment.

ii) A leadhand, in addition to his/her regular duties, under the direction of the appropriate supervisor, shall be responsible for the general direction and daily work assignments of other employees. A leadhand shall neither formally evaluate the work performance of employees nor discipline employees under his/her direction. Should a leadhand have a concern about the job performance of one of the employees under his/her direction, the leadhand shall first communicate his/her concern with the work to the employee concerned and failing resolution, to the appropriate supervisor.

b) First Aid Attendant: Employees appointed as First Aid attendants with an Occupational First Aid Level 1 (one) Certificate shall receive twenty cents ($0.20) per hour and those employees appointed as First Aid attendants with a Level two (2) or three (3) Certificate shall receive fifty cents ($0.50) per hour in addition to his/her regular wage, for the duration of such appointment.

c) Additional Trade Certification: Certified tradesmen (other than casual employees) possessing more than one (1) valid trade certification, that additional trade being relevant for use in the maintenance department, will receive an allowance of twenty five cents ($0.25) per hour for each additional trade certification.

d) Additional Necessary Certificates: In recognition of the School District’s current need of one (1) individual with an Electrical Certificate of Qualification with Red Seal and one (1) individual with a Certificate of Qualification for Gas Fitter – (Class A), the Board will pay one dollar and forty four cents ($1.44) each per hour in addition to the certified tradesman rate.

e) Custodial Allowances: Custodians shall receive a basic salary plus twelve cents ($0.12) per hour for the first person supervised and six cents ($0.06) per hour for each additional person supervised. Custodians in charge of two (2) or more buildings shall be paid nine cents ($0.09) per hour in addition to their regular wage rate or mileage, whichever is greater. When a school or building has been determined to have sufficient square footage to establish more than one (1) person (in addition to the custodian) on the same shift, a position of senior janitor shall be established. The senior janitor shall receive a basic salary plus six cents ($0.06) per hour for each person supervised on the same shift.

f) Education Assistants with Certification/Special Skills/Working in Secondary Schools: Education Assistants with certification and/or working in a position requiring special skills and/or working in a secondary school will be paid at Category II.

III.6 Benefits

The School District's sole responsibility is to offer coverage under the medical, dental, extended health, short term disability, long term disability, employee and family assistance plan, and group life insurance benefit plans. If an employee chooses to opt out of a benefit plan, where opting out is an option, the School District is not responsible for any coverage under that plan.
Effective July 1, 2006, the parties agree to place their Dental, Extended Health and Group Life Insurance coverage specified in this Article with the Provincial Education Benefits Trust (PEBT) as soon as the PEBT is able to take on that responsibility.

a) **Pro-Rating of Benefits:** Benefits will be pro-rated for permanent and temporary employees that are less than half time.

b) **Medical:** The Board will pay one hundred (100) % of the premiums in the Medical Services Plan of B. C.

c) **Extended Health:** The Board will pay one hundred (100) % of an approved Extended Health Benefits Plan, including vision care at two hundred dollars ($ 200.00) every two (2) year period per dependent; and hearing aid benefit for adults and children in the amount of five hundred dollars ($ 500.00) every five (5) calendar years. Only one (1) coverage per family within the School District will be allowed.

d) **Dental:** The Board will pay sixty-five (65) % of a recognized dental plan for eligible employees and dependents; this dental coverage will be in three (3) categories: single, married couple, married with children, with a one thousand dollars ($ 1000.00) orthodontics lifetime limit. Only one (1) coverage per family within the School District will be allowed.

e) **Life:** The Board will pay sixty-five (65) % of the premiums in a Group Life Insurance Plan (the amount of insurance is three (3) x annual salary) for permanent and temporary employees employed fifty (50) % or more.

f) **Short/Long Term Disability:** The Board will obtain Short and Long Term Disability Insurance coverage for employees in consultation with the Union.

The Board will continue to pay its share of premiums for other benefit plans while an employee is on short term disability and for one (1) year while on long term disability.

The Parties agree to participate in the Public Education Benefits Trust (PEBT) government funded long term disability (LTD) plan, including the Joint Early Intervention Services, as soon as the Trust is able to take on that responsibility. If the government funded LTD benefit is less than the current LTD coverage, the employees may "top-up" the government funded LTD coverage to equal the current benefits, provided that the cost of such LTD "top up" is paid in full by employees.

g) **Drug And Alcohol Treatment:** Employees undergoing medically supervised alcohol and/or drug treatment are entitled to sick leave benefits as provided for by this agreement.

h) **Employee and Family Assistance Plan:** The Board will pay fifty (50) % of the premiums for an Employee and Family Assistance Program.

i) **Benefit Exceptions for Some Employees:** Casual employees shall receive forty cents ($ 0.40) per hour in addition to their normal rate of pay in lieu of medical and sick leave benefits.

j) **Death Benefits:** Benefit premiums will be paid on behalf of an employee's family for three (3) months after the death of an employee. The full month's salary for the month during which an employee's death occurred, will be paid to the employee's estate.

Upon the death of an employee, his/her estate shall be paid two (2) days for each year of service to a maximum of fifty (50) working days, pro-rated. Accumulated sick leave benefit also will be paid to an employee’s estate under the provision of Clause III.6 m)

k) **Rural Days:** Rural permanent employees shall have two (2) days off with pay (pro-rated) each year to attend to business. The leave must be authorized by the departmental
supervisor. The relevant schools are: Alexis Creek, Anahim Lake, Dog Creek, Likely, Naghtaneqed & Tatla Lake.

l) **Long Service Recognition:**

   i) Employees will receive a salary increase of fifteen cents ($0.15) per hour for every three (3) years of service pro-rated to their full time appointment.

   ii) After ten (10) years of continuous service an employee who resigns, retires or is terminated without proper cause shall be paid two (2) days for each year of service to a maximum of fifty (50) working days, pro-rated to their full time appointment.

m) **Sick Leave Benefit:** Sick leave will be accumulated at the rate of one (1) day per month from commencement date of employment on a pro-rata basis for all employees except casual. If the Board cancels its contract covering short and long term disability benefits, sick leave will be accumulated at the rate of one and one half (1.5) days per month. Sick leave shall be accumulated while an employee is on sick leave provided he/she has hours in his/her sick leave bank. Once an employee has run out of sick leave entitlement in his/her sick leave bank, the sick leave bank is suspended and no further sick leave is accumulated until the employee returns to work.

Employees hired prior to ratification will be grand-parented to continue to receive the accumulated sick leave pay on a pro-rata basis, upon termination without proper cause or resignation, or in the case of death to an employee’s estate as follows:

   i) After five (5) years continuous service, a person leaving the employ of the Board shall receive twenty-five (25) % of his/her accumulated sick leave to a maximum of thirty (30) days.

   ii) After ten (10) years of continuous service, a person leaving the employ of the Board shall receive fifty (50) % of his/her accumulated sick leave to a maximum of sixty (60) days.

   iii) After fifteen (15) years of continuous service, a person leaving the employ of the Board shall receive seventy-five (75) % of his/her accumulated sick leave to a maximum of ninety (90) days.

   iv) After twenty (20) years of continuous service, a person leaving the employ of the Board shall receive one hundred (100) % of his/her accumulated sick leave to a maximum of one hundred and twenty (120) days.

If an employee is within six (6) months of receiving the next increment in sick leave benefit payment, the employee will receive payment as if that next increment had been achieved.

n) **Severance Pay:** An employee whose hours are reduced to zero (0) and for whom no positions are available through bumping or posting is entitled, after completion of five (5) years of service, to severance pay in the amount of one (1) week’s pay for each year of service to a maximum of eight (8) week’s pay.

o) **Education Assistant Benefits** – All Education Assistants working between twelve and one half (12.5) hours/week and seventeen and one half (17.5) hours/week as of February 21, 1996 will be considered to be working half-time for benefit purposes under Clause III.6.

### III.7 Cafeteria Workers’ Meals

All cafeteria staff will receive one (1) meal per day free of charge.
**CLAUSE IV - RETIREMENT**

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IV.2 Employees retiring from the School District shall not be required to take any of their holiday entitlement for that year before their termination date.

**CLAUSE V - LEAVES OF ABSENCE**

For members taking leaves of absence (other than sick leave and WCB leave) of more than twenty (20) working days, the Board will deduct and remit to the Union, in advance, the per capita Union dues for the length of their leave to a maximum of two (2) months. If such leave should be longer than two (2) months, the per capita Union dues shall be deducted from the first cheque upon the member returning to work.

**V.1 Union Business**

a) Authorized representatives of the Union who are in the employ of the Board shall have the right to attend meetings between the Board and the Union held during working hours without loss of pay when processing grievances or negotiating a revision or renewal of this agreement. If, at the request of the Board, meetings for negotiations, liaison or grievances are held during normal working hours of a Union representative and/or grievor, the Board shall pay the salary costs of an approved substitute for the representative or grievor for the meeting time and necessary travel time. Pre-meetings will be billed to the Union. Where Union members are representatives of the Union and must attend committee meetings during normal working hours at the request of the Board, the Board will pay wages for the employees in attendance and bill the Union for the cost of substitutes. The number of Union representatives who are employees of the Board shall not exceed five (5) for grievances, plus the aggrieved and five (5) for negotiations.

b) Any member of the Union who is required to attend a Union convention or perform any other function on behalf of the Union and its affiliation, necessitating a leave of absence, shall, upon application to Human Resources, be granted leave of absence without pay, provided such notice is received by Human Resources not less than twenty-four (24) hours prior to the commencement of the leave. Such leaves shall not be unreasonably withheld. For the President, such leaves shall not exceed seventy-five (75) working days in any one (1) school year. For all other Union members, such leaves shall not exceed forty (40) working days individually and seventy-five (75) working days in total in any school year. For Union members other than the President, additional time may be granted by Human Resources.

**V.2 Leave to Work for Union:**

In the event the Union deems it necessary to have a full-time or part-time position necessitating a leave of absence for an employee, the employee shall, upon application to the Superintendent of Schools, be granted leave of absence as follows. The leave shall be extended, if necessary.

a) The Board agrees to release the designate of the Union from his/her position.

b) The Board agrees to continue to pay the designate's salary and to provide benefits as specified in this agreement. The Board will provide a monthly statement of the salary and benefit costs including accumulated sick leave to the Union for payment.

c) For purposes of pension, experience, sick leave and seniority, the designate shall be deemed to be in the full employ of the Board.
d) The designate, returning to his/her job, shall be assigned to the same position held prior to the release. If the position no longer exists, the designate shall be given bumping rights.

e) In the event the designate is unable to complete the term of office for whatever reason, other than sick leave, the Board shall grant another Union member, designated by the Union, a leave from duties to fulfill the position. The provision of parts, 1, 2, 3, and 4 of this clause shall apply.

f) In the event the designate is absent due to illness the Board shall grant another Union member, designated by the Union, a leave from assigned duties to fulfill the duties. The Board will continue to pay the designate’s salary provided that accumulated sick leave is available. The Union will reimburse the Board the salary and benefit costs of the Union member who replaced the designate.

V.3 Leave for Elected Office

a) The Employer shall grant on written request, leave of absence without pay for persons seeking election or elected to the Provincial Legislature or Federal Parliament for up to five (5) years or as mutually agreed by the parties.

b) Employees elected or appointed to municipal or regional district or public boards shall be granted leave with pay up to a maximum of twenty (20) days in any one (1) school year. Such days off granted shall be deducted from their annual vacation entitlement or from accumulated banked time. If the employee has no vacation entitlement or banked time to draw on, the leave will be without pay.

V.4 Sick Leave

a) Pay will be granted for sick leave. The Board may require a medical certificate at any time. (physicians, dentists, optometrists or Public Health nurses are considered "medical" personnel.)

b) An employee will notify his/her supervisor promptly in all cases of sick leave and will also notify his/her supervisor when ready to return to work in time for relief to be notified.

c) See Clause III.6 m) for information re: accumulation and pay-out of sick leave.

d) Accumulated sick leave may be used to top up approved short-term disability coverage and Workers’ Compensation Board coverage to equal full pay.

e) Employees with accrued sick leave shall retain such credit in the event of a layoff while they have seniority rights.

f) An employee who is injured during working hours, and is required to leave for treatment or is sent home as a result of such injury shall receive payment for the remainder of the shift at his/her regular rate of pay without deduction from sick leave. The Board may require a medical certificate stating that the employee is unfit to return to work to finish that shift from a doctor, nurse or first aid attendant.

g) An employee on short term disability shall contact his/her supervisor at least bi-weekly to update the status of his/her leave. At least one (1) week's notice shall be given to return to work.

h) An employee who has used up any portion of his/her sick leave entitlement because of a non-compensable sickness or accident, may at his/her option have all or part of the sick leave entitlement restored upon repayment to the Board of salary paid while on sick leave, if and within six (6) months of the time that the employee receives a settlement from a third party.
i) In the event of an absence due to illness of one (1) janitor for one (1) day or less in any school there shall not necessarily be a replacement.

j) Full-time School Secretaries shall be replaced when absent due to illness.

k) A medical certificate indicating fitness to return to work may be required by the employer.

**V.5 Family Illness**

a) **Family Member Illness**: Employees will be allowed to use three (3) days of accumulated sick leave per calendar year for family member illness for travel to specialists. Family is defined as spouse, common-law spouse, child, brother, sister, parent, grandparent, father-in-law, mother-in-law, grandchild.

b) **Family Care**: Employees will be allowed up to five (5) days per calendar year of their sick leave accumulation if their presence is required during an illness in the immediate family. Immediate family is defined as per Clause V.5 a) Family Member Illness.

**V.6 Pregnancy/Parental**

a) Leave of absences will be granted in accordance with the Employment Standards Act for pregnancy leave and parental leave.

b) Pregnancy and parental leaves will be approved upon request for up to twelve (12) months with seniority rights recognized; a further six (6) months of maternity leave will be approved with no seniority rights recognized.

c) Male employees will be allowed two (2) days of paid paternity leave per year for birth or adoption of their child.

**V.7 Parenthood Leave Without Pay**

a) Employees who have completed two (2) years' service with the Board may request parenthood leave in situations where a parent feels it to be necessary to stay home with a dependent child. Except in crisis situations, parenthood leave may be requested only once in every three (3) years.

b) Both male and female employees shall be eligible for parenthood leave, but it may be granted to only one (1) parent at a time in instances where both parents are employed by the Board. Notice is required, in writing, (three) (3) months prior to commencement of the leave. Less than three (3) months notice may be considered in a crisis situation.

c) The length of parenthood leave normally shall not exceed twelve (12) months. For education assistants and youth care workers, the leave will normally start at school opening in September and be for the duration of that school year. Employees on parenthood leave do not accumulate seniority while on the leave.

d) Employees granted parenthood leave shall advise the Board of their intentions, at least three (3) months prior to their intended return date. Employees returning from parenthood leave shall be returned to their former position, if it still exists.

**V.8 Bereavement**

a) In the event of death in an employee's immediate family, an employee may be absent with pay for a period not to exceed five (5) working days. Immediate family is defined as

b) Employees may be granted one-half (1/2) day without loss of wages to attend a funeral as a pallbearer.

c) Where the physical arrangement for the funeral cannot be accomplished in this period, the Board shall grant additional time without pay.

V.9 Jury/Witness/Court Appearances

The Board shall pay an employee who is required to serve as a juror or subpoenaed court witness the full amount of wages he/she would normally receive during such period and the employee shall submit to the Board any money paid for his/her services as a juror or court witness. The employee shall present proof of service and the amount of payment received.

Where the private affairs of an employee require an appearance in legal proceedings, the Board shall grant leave without pay.

V.10 Voting on Election Day

An employee eligible to vote in a Federal, Provincial, or Municipal election or a referendum shall have four (4) consecutive hours during the hours in which the polls are open in which to cast his/her ballot.

V.11 Professional Development Activities

a) The Board will pay one hundred (100) % of course costs when an employee is required to take a course.

b) Employees required by their Supervisor to attend professional development activities on Professional Development days will receive their normal rate of pay for the length of activity they attend.

c) Where a Principal, Vice-Principal or Supervisor requires the attendance of an employee at a Pro-D activity, that requirement shall be in writing.

d) Education Assistants and Bus Drivers attending Pro-D days as approved by Human Resources, on their one (1) allotted Pro-D day, will be paid for the length of activity they attend.

e) Youth Care Workers attending Pro-D day activities shall be paid for the length of the activity they attend.

CLAUSE VI - HOURS OF WORK

VI.1 Rest Periods

a) All employees shall have rest periods of not longer than fifteen (15) minutes duration both in the first half and the second half of each shift of at least three (3) hours duration and shall be taken where the employee is actually working.

b) Lunch periods shall not exceed one (1) hour.

VI.2 Overtime/Overtime Approval

a) Employees will be paid overtime, provided it is authorized in advance, when possible by the departmental supervisor.
b) All hours worked up to two (2) hours in excess of regular hours shall be paid for at time and one-half (1.5) the regular hourly rate. All hours worked in excess of two (2) hours of the regular hours shall be paid for at double the hourly rate. All hours worked on Statutory Holidays shall be paid for at triple the hourly rate. When overtime is worked on a Statutory Holiday and work continues past midnight, the triple hourly rate of pay shall apply until the work is completed.

c) Where a permanent employee working on a part-time basis is required to work an extension of his/her regular shift, the employee shall be paid at the applicable rate for the actual hours worked.

d) Approved overtime received by the payroll department will be paid out in the pay period in which it was worked.

e) Overtime may accumulate for up to one (1) year and must be cleared by the end of the calendar year, except that overtime which is worked during the months of November and December may remain on the record past year-end and must be cleared by the end of the next calendar year.

The balance accumulated may not exceed eighty (80) hours at any time.

Employees will not be required to take time off in lieu of payment for overtime.

The employee must specify whether he/she wishes to take payment or time off when the time sheet is submitted.

f) Where a part-time employee is called out to work on Saturday or Sunday, he/she shall be paid at overtime rates.

VI.3 Banking Extra Hours

The Board shall establish a straight-time hours bank. This bank is in addition to the overtime bank. All part-time employees shall be allowed to bank any straight-time extra hours they may work beyond their posted hours. The straight-time hours bank may not exceed eighty (80) hours at any time.

VI.4 Call-Outs

Any employee called in to work outside the employee's normal working hours shall be paid a minimum of four (4) hours pay at the applicable rate as provided in Clause VI.2 above. If an employee is called out again within four (4) hours of the first call-out, no further payment will be paid unless actual working time extends beyond the original four (4) hours. Payment will then be made for actual time worked beyond the four (4) hours at the applicable overtime rate.

VI.5 Shift Work (afternoon-nights/Sunday)

a) In the event any employee is required to work an afternoon shift, the regular half-hour lunch period shall be considered as a portion of the total hours worked. This payment for the half-hour lunch period is recognized in lieu of and a substitute for any other form of remuneration for a shift differential.

b) Any employee on night shift shall work seven (7) hours, inclusive of a one-half (1/2) hour lunch period, and shall be paid for eight (8) hours.

c) Sunday afternoon shift workers shall receive an additional fifty cents ($0.50) per hour.
d) Afternoon and night shift differentials will be available to four (4)-hour appointments or greater, on a pro-rata basis.

VI.6 Additional Time

If during the school year it is required that additional time in excess of one (1) hour per day be granted to a part-time employee, such hours may be granted on a temporary basis without posting. If these hours are to continue beyond the current school year, the position will be posted prior to the start of the next school year, and shall become the regular hours.

When an E.A. works one-on-one with a Kindergarten student and that student moves to Grade 1, if the E.A. hours are increased, the Board agrees to post the position prior to the start of the student’s Grade 1 school year. If the student does not attend school in Grade 1, the Education Assistant will be laid off and will be paid the notice period based on the number of hours the E.A. would have worked if the student had remained in Kindergarten.

VI.7 Change of Scheduled Hours

a) During school breaks where twelve (12) month employees are normally scheduled to work, the current work practice at each work site will not be changed except with the mutual agreement of the Union, the Board, and a majority of the employees involved.

b) Part-time twelve (12) month custodial employees may work full-time days during the clean-up period, receive the regular rate of pay as if they had not worked full-time days and bank the extra hours.

c) The Board agrees that wherever possible, an employee’s hours may be adjusted by mutual consent so long as the employee’s regular hours’ total is not reduced.

d) Four (4) Day Week: During July and August the work week may be compressed into four (4) days, with no reduction in the employee’s normal hours per week, at any worksite, by mutual agreement between the Board and the Union. Such agreement must be sought annually and is subject to the appropriate legal approvals, if required. The request must be submitted in writing to Human Resources by April 30 of each year.

It is agreed that the principle to be followed is that the employee shall not lose or gain in relation to what pay he/she would receive if he/she were working the normal five (5) day week.

VI.8 Education Assistant Consultation

Education Assistants who work six (6) hours or less per day and who are required by the teacher for consultation, and who otherwise are unable to meet during their normal working hours for whatever reason may be granted up to one (1) hour per week with pay at the request of the teacher and with the prior approval of the principal in order to meet for consultation at a mutually agreeable time.

VI.9 Minimum Hours for Noon-Hour Supervisors

Noon-Hour Supervisors shall be paid for a minimum of one (1) hour for each lunch break they work.

If two (2) employees are employed in a school in capacities other than as noon-hour supervisors (for example, as education assistants) and those two (2) employees share the noon-hour supervision duties, each of them will be paid for one-half (1/2) hour per day for the days upon which they supervise at the lunch break.
VI.10 Education Assistants: Absence of Students
Where an Education Assistant works one-on-one with a student and that student is absent for five (5) days or less, the Education Assistant may report for work and alternate duties will be assigned, or the Education Assistant may choose not to report for work and not be paid, but may request to be paid from their accumulated vacation bank.

VI.11 Auxiliary Services Hours of Work
The dormitory attendant and assistant dormitory attendants' hours of work shall be eight (8) hours per day in the period of 0700 to 2300 hours. All other full time employees in this department shall work eight (8) consecutive hours between 0700 and 1700 hours.

VI.12 Clerical Hours of Work
All regular clerical employees, except Central Dispatch Clerk, shall work a consecutive seven (7) hour day, thirty-five (35) hours per week, between 0800 and 1700, excluding a meal break, except during July and August, when the hours of work shall be between 0800 and 1800.

VI.13 Education Assistant Hours of Work
All Education Assistants, except those working at the Williams Lake GROW Centre and 100 Mile GROW Centre shall work no more than a consecutive seven (7) hour per day, thirty-five (35) hours per week, between 0800 and 1700 hours. GROW Centre EAs hours of work shall be consecutive between 0800 and 2200.

VI.14 Youth Care Worker Hours of Work
All Youth Care Workers shall work no more than a consecutive seven (7) hour day, thirty-five (35) hours per week, between 0800 and 1700 hours.

VI.15 First Nations Support Workers Hours of Work
All First Nations Support Workers shall work no more than a consecutive seven (7) hour day, thirty-five (35) hours per week, between the hours of 0800 and 1700.

VI.16 Custodial Hours of Work
All regular custodial employees shall work a forty (40) hour work week on five (5) consecutive days as follows:
Day Shift: eight (8) consecutive hours between 0600 and 1800 hours, excluding meal breaks
Afternoon Shift: eight (8) consecutive hours between 1400 and 2400 hours including meal breaks.
Night Shift: seven (7) consecutive hours between 2400 and 0700 hours including meal breaks.

VI.17 Minimum Hours – Custodial Staff Open/Close Schools
Custodial Staff required to open or close schools for any function after school hours will be paid a minimum of two (2) hours pay at the applicable rate per call-out or call-in. If cleaning duties are required, the four (4) hour call-out provisions of Clause VI.4 shall apply.

VI.18 Maintenance Department Hours of Work
All regular maintenance employees shall work a consecutive eight (8) hour day, forty (40) hours per week, between 0600 and 1800, excluding meal break, or between 1400 and 2400, including meal break.

VI.19 Transportation Department Hours of Work
All regular transportation employees, except mechanics, shall work an eight (8) hour day, forty (40) hours per week, five (5) consecutive days between 0600 and 1800 hours, excluding meal breaks. Mechanics shall work an eight (8) hour day, forty (40) hours per week, five (5) consecutive days between 0600 and 1800 excluding meal breaks or between 1400 and 2400 hours, including meal breaks.

VI.20 Bus Drivers Regular Posted Run
On regular posted runs, no bus driver will be paid less than four (4) hours per day for a completed day's work.
CLAUSE VII - HOLIDAYS

VII.1 Statutory Holidays

a) Employees shall be entitled to a holiday with pay at their regular rate for each of the Statutory Holidays hereinafter set forth:

New Year's Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Victoria Day, Canada Day, Labour Day, Thanksgiving Day, Remembrance Day, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, British Columbia Day, Family Day or the days proclaimed under the laws in their stead or other days proclaimed by Provincial or Federal law.

b) At no time may a Statutory Holiday be exchanged for whatever reason.

VII.2 Holiday Entitlements/Holiday Pay

The following applies to permanent and temporary employees only.

a) During a calendar year in which an employee has been employed by the Board for less than one (1) year prior to January 1 of the following year, he/she shall be entitled to a vacation equal to four (4) % of the number of days worked prior to the above-stated January 1, with pay.

b) Except for a) above, paid holiday entitlements are as follows:

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(The percentages shown above apply to the "year's" total earnings)

Accumulated holiday time will be shown as hours accumulated.

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c) The final cheque for wages issued to an employee whose services are terminated by the employee or the Board will include a holiday pay adjustment, plus or minus, to reflect the current year's entitlement.

d) Employees whose jobs involve work days of different lengths during the week will receive Statutory Holiday pay equivalent to the average of their normal working days. Casual employees will receive four decimal two (4.2) % of salary on each cheque in lieu of Statutory Holiday pay.

VII.3 Absences That Count Toward Holidays and Seniority:
The following absences with pay shall be considered as days actually worked for determine vacation with pay:

- absence on Workers' Compensation
- absence due to illness up to a period of one (1) year
- absence due to bereavement in accordance with this agreement
- absence due to time served on jury duty in accordance with this agreement
- any other paid leaves of absence
- vacation with pay

VII.4 Holiday Periods

a) An employee's vacation shall, where practicable, be granted at the time requested, but in all cases, the commencement date must be at the convenience of the Board.

b) Holiday entitlements are to be taken in at least one-half (1/2) day increments.

c) Employees who have commenced their annual vacation shall not be called back to work.

d) Preference in choice of individual employee's vacation dates shall be determined by seniority of service.

e) Twelve (12) month employees will carry over their full vacation bank to a maximum of ten (10) days to the next year. Ten (10) month employees will carry over their full vacation bank to a maximum of ten (10) days from June to September. Employees have the option to request full payout of vacation time. The request must be submitted in writing to Payroll by June 1.

f) All twelve (12) month custodial staff covered by this agreement shall be allowed to take any holiday entitlement in excess of twenty-five (25) days during the school year.

All twelve (12) month school secretaries covered by this agreement shall be allowed to take any holiday entitlement during the school year.

g) When an employee is on vacation and a statutory holiday falls within that period, the statutory holiday shall not count as a day of vacation.

h) Where an employee commences vacation and becomes incapacitated through illness or injury, the period of illness or injury will be charged as sick leave rather than vacation provided that:

i) the period of incapacity persists for at least three (3) normal working days, and

ii) proof of incapacity is provided
i) All employees shall be allowed three (3) days per year from their holiday entitlement at any time during the calendar year to conduct personal business. This is in addition to provisions under clause VII.4.f).

VII.5 Holiday Pay Adjustment

All employees other than twelve (12) month employees with accumulated hours in their vacation time-bank may, upon request, receive vacation pay during Christmas, Spring Break, Fall Break, Pro-D days, and/or after school closes in June. All unused vacation entitlement will be paid out by June 30, except the allowed ten (10) day vacation carry-over.

Twelve (12) month employees shall receive holiday pay on extra hours and overtime in January of each year.

CLAUSE VIII - EXPENSES

VIII.1 Travel/Accommodation

a) When employees are required to work out of town, attend workshops or seminars, expenses will be paid in accordance with Board policy.

b) Out-of-town accommodation shall be provided for employees. Where possible, such accommodation will be separate and will be either hotel or motel, with bath.

c) The Board shall pay expenses for toiletry items as approved by the Supervisor for unexpected overnight trips on Board business.

d) When an employee supplies his own transportation, reimbursement of expenses shall be in accordance with Board policy.

VIII.2 Coveralls/Rubber Clothing/Gloves

a) The Board shall maintain a reasonable number of coveralls and suits of rubber clothing in the maintenance shop(s) for the use of maintenance employees engaged in abnormally dirty or wet working conditions.

b) The Board shall pay one hundred (100) % of the cost of a coverall service (provision and laundering scheme) for mechanics, painters, and roofers in School District garages.

c) Work gloves will be provided on the agreed basis for those employees requiring them for safety's sake.

d) If the Health and Safety officer deems it necessary for an employee to wear safety boots, the board will reimburse the employee up to a maximum of two hundred dollars ($200.00) per year.

VIII.3 Tools

a) Where an employee supplies his/her own tools, as prescribed by the Board, the Board shall pay three hundred dollars ($300.00) annual tool replacement fee to the employee.

Where a mechanic supplies his/her own tools, as prescribed by the Board, the Board shall pay six hundred dollars ($600.00) annual tool replacement fee to the employee.

b) Where the Board requires an employee to supply his/her own tools, should the employee have any or all of his/her prescribed tools lost through theft or fire in the course of employment, the Board agrees to replace them at no cost to the employee.
VIII.4 Vehicle Use  
a) Employees who are requested by their supervisor to use their vehicle for board business shall be reimbursed mileage according to Board regulations.

b) When it is a requirement of their job for an employee to have a personal vehicle available for the transportation of students, they shall be provided a travel allowance. Employees shall keep and submit a monthly travel log in order to be reimbursed. Mileage will be calculated as per Board regulations and will be reimbursed at the greater of the calculation or fifty dollars ($50.00) travel allowance.

VIII.5 Medicals  
The Board shall pay the cost of medical examinations for any employee who is required to have a medical for licences or certificates essential to the performance of his/her duties.

VIII.6 Hepatitis Injections  
To protect against the contraction of Hepatitis, the Board will reimburse the employee for the costs incurred for injections or medications not covered by the provincial medical plan. This clause applies only to those working in a demonstrated at-risk situation as determined by the School District Health and Safety Officer. This treatment is on a voluntary basis.

VIII.7 Private Vehicle Damage  
a) Where an employee’s vehicle is damaged or caused to be damaged by a person in the care and custody of the employee working as directed by the Board, or as a direct result of the employee being employed by the Board and there is no negligence by the employee, the Board shall reimburse the employee the cost of any deductible portion of insurance coverage on the vehicle to a maximum of one hundred dollars ($100.00).

b) The Board will reimburse an employee whose motor vehicle is damaged due to vandalism, subject to the following:

   i) At the time the vandalism occurs, the employee is in attendance performing the duties directly related to the employee’s position.

   ii) The damage has been reported in writing to the supervisor or principal, and the police not later than the first school day following the vandalism incident.

   iii) The employee agrees to fully cooperate in efforts to identify, prosecute and/or seek restitution from the individual(s) responsible.

   iv) The employee is not eligible for compensation for the damage under another fund or insurance policy.

   v) The damage is repaired within three (3) months.

   vi) The amount of reimbursement will be the lesser of:

       - the actual repair cost
       - the deductible amount of the employee’s insurance to a maximum of two hundred dollars ($200.00)

   c) When an employee is required to use his/her own vehicle for School District business, the cost of upgrading from "to and from work" to "business" insurance shall be paid by the board to a maximum of two hundred dollars ($200.00) per year, when the upgrade has been approved by the employee’s supervisor.
CLAUSE IX - POSTINGS, APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, TRANSFERS, DISCIPLINE, DISMISSALS

All employees, as a condition of employment, are required to comply with the Criminal Records Review Act. If through the application of the Criminal Records Review Act, an employee is found to be unsuitable for unsupervised contact with children, the Board may then terminate the employment of that person immediately.

IX.1 Union Notification

a) The Union shall be notified of all appointments, hirings, rehirings, lay-offs, retirements, terminations, letters of suspension, and letters of reprimand that affect permanent and temporary employees.

b) The Union shall be notified of disciplinary action taken against an employee within five (5) days.

c) The Union will be notified of technological changes which may reduce the workforce and a process is to be agreed upon to resolve conflicts resulting from technology.

IX.2 Vacancies/Postings

a) Postings will normally occur within thirty (30) days of a vacancy. The Union will be notified of the reasons in writing when this does not occur.

A decision will be made within ten (10) working days of the closing date of the posting except for summer vacation and reviewing of departmental structure.

b) The Board will post all vacancies by email to all Board offices, schools and shops for three (3) general office working days, and if a suitable applicant is not found, the Board may advertise by other means.

c) Postings will contain nature and location of position, qualifications and skills required, salary rates and hours of work, and the requirements for weekend work, student transportation, shift work, driver’s licence.

d) No conditions or qualifications will be added to job requirements on postings without prior discussion with the union.

e) Temporary postings shall occur when vacancies are expected to be more than ninety (90) calendar days. The Board will post a position as permanent if the position is available due to an illness which is longer than three (3) years in duration. The employee who is ill will retain seniority for the purpose of exercising deferred bumping rights should he/she return to work.

f) Any new position being filled by a casual employee shall be posted after a period of sixty (60) calendar days.

g) The Union will receive thirty (30) days notice of a planned vacancy or change of status of any position due to organizational review. The Board will then advise the Union within a further thirty (30) days of the decision reached.

h) Unsuccessful candidates who have more seniority than the individual appointed to a position will be advised of the reasons(s) for not obtaining the position within seven (7) days of the appointment, a copy of which will be sent to the Union.

i) Temporary postings occurring due to illness may be terminated with one (1) week’s notice. An employee given less than one (1) week’s notice shall be given payment in lieu of notice.
j) Employees may request a leave from their permanent position to work in a temporary position if the increase in hours is 10% or more, this type of leave may only be requested three times during a school year.

IX.3 New Employees

a) With the exception of casual employees, it is mutually agreed that all employees are hired on probation. The probationary period of employment shall continue for a period of not more than ninety (90) calendar days.

b) If, during the probationary period, the employee is absent on leave for more than ten (10) working days, the probationary period will be extended by that number of days.

c) Extension of probationary periods for a further ninety (90) days, for reasons other than illness, shall be referred to Human Resources for decision.

d) The employment of probationary employees may be terminated at any time during this period.

e) An employee assigned to a job according to Clause IX.3 may not apply for another job during the probationary period, unless his/her assignment constitutes a promotion, an advancement, an increase in hours or a change from temporary to permanent.

(In the above paragraph, "promotion" means an appointment to any position of a supervisory nature; "advancement" means an upward change of job category.)

IX.4 Existing Employees - Appointment/Transfer/Promotion/Evaluation/Probation

a) Probationary, permanent, temporary and casual employees shall be given preference over outside applicants for all job vacancies, provided he/she has sufficient knowledge, ability, skills, and experience. Seniority rights are not recognized for casual employees.

b) In filling vacant positions, the employee who has the greatest seniority of those who are applicants for a position will be appointed provided that that employee has the required (threshold) knowledge, ability, skills, trades certification or other qualifications.

c) If an existing employee is transferred to or is the successful applicant for a similar position in the same category, he/she will not serve a probationary period.

d) An employee applying for and appointed to a lesser paying position shall have his/her salary reduced to level two (2) of the category applied for, provided it is within the same department.

e) Notwithstanding the provision concerning lay-offs, any permanent or temporary employee who is appointed to a position in a higher category within the same department, or to a position in another department will be on probation for a period of sixty (60) calendar days. If, during this probationary period, the employee is absent on leave for more than ten (10) working days, the probationary period will be extended by that number of days.

f) In cases of promotion requiring higher qualifications or certification, the Board shall give consideration to employees who do not possess the required formal qualifications but who are preparing for qualifications or are willing to qualify prior to filling a vacancy. Such an employee will be given six (6) months to qualify and revert to his/her former position if the required qualifications are not met within such time. This may be extended only at the option of the Board.
g) Within the same department, should the probation wage level be lower than that of the employee’s previous wage level, then that employee shall be red circled at the higher wage rate for the duration of the probationary period.

h) Once existing employees pass a probationary period in a new position, level two (2) pay will be retroactive to the first day in the new position.

i) In the event the successful applicant proves unsatisfactory, or the position proves unsatisfactory to the applicant during the sixty (60) day probationary period, he/she shall return to his/her former position and salary without loss of seniority. The employee shall give thirty (30) days notice of his/her desire to revert.

If a permanent employee is in a new position and probation does not apply, the employee may revert to the position previously held and will give notice to the employer of his/her intention to do so within thirty (30) days of being appointed to the new position.

j) If and when the Board proposes to offer apprenticeship or upgrading training, the Board agrees to offer that training to the most senior employee interested in such training from the department for which the training is appropriate.

k) If the required qualifications for an existing position are changed, the incumbent employees shall be provided with training or opportunities for training to obtain those qualifications.

l) If a permanent employee is working in a temporary position and the hours in the temporary position are reduced, the employee will have the option of accepting the reduction in hours or reverting to his/her permanent position.

m) Improvement Plan: The employee will have the right to be represented by the Union during any review meeting throughout this process.

The Improvement Plan is based on the understanding that an employee, given clear direction and support, should be able to improve his or her performance. When an employee is not working at a satisfactory level of performance he/she will be given reasonable time and assistance to improve. This is a remedial process and at no point will be viewed as disciplinary.

i) An employee may be placed on an Improvement Plan only after an initial meeting has taken place in which the supervisor/manager, the employee and the union representative have reviewed the duties, responsibilities and requirements of the employee’s job, identified areas in which improvement are required, and established a course of action.

The employee will be provided with a written copy of the plan. It is understood that amendments may occur during the duration of the plan process.

ii) At least one (1) month, but no more than three (3) months after this initial meeting, where it is identified that the employee still has an unsatisfactory level of performance and needs improvement, the employee’s supervisor/manager will advise the employee in writing at least five (5) business days in advance of the commencement of the process.

iii) At the first meeting in the formal Improvement Plan process, the supervisor/manager will again review with the employee and union representative and provide in writing the duties, responsibilities and requirements of the employee’s job, and identified areas in which improvements are required. The supervisor/manager, the employee and the union representative will discuss and establish the actions needed and develop an action plan.
will identify the desired outcomes and the process required to achieve them. A written plan will be provided to the employee and the Union.

iv) The supervisor/manager will keep documentation in the employee's file regarding any discussions concerning the employee's performance while the employee is involved in an Improvement Plan.

v) The process will include a monthly review for a period of up to six (6) months, during which the employee, union representative, and the manager will jointly review the employee's progress towards meeting outcomes of the action plan and requirements of the job. If at any point, the employee is meeting the objectives of the action plan and requirements of the job on a continuing and consistent basis, this will be stated in writing and jointly signed off, thereby ending the Improvement Plan. If by the end of six (6) months following the start of the Improvement Plan the employee is not meeting the objectives of the action plan and requirements of the job, the following will occur.

The employee will be given notice that within ninety (90) calendar days they must be fully meeting the requirements of the job. Failing that, the employee may be terminated. Employee rights to severance will apply as outlined in I116.n. There is no right to recall.

vi) It is understood that this process does not apply to:
An employee whose inability to perform his/her job is due to a temporary or permanent disability.

vii) Throughout the Improvement Plan process the manager may consult with the employee's supervisor (or designated supervisor) for feedback on performance.

IX.5 Apprenticeships

a) The Board will sponsor an Apprenticeship Training Program if possible and deemed by the Board to be appropriate. An apprentice shall be paid in accordance with the scales shown in Schedules "G" and "H" of this agreement. At no time is a permanent position assured at the completion of the apprenticeship program.

b) When attending government-approved courses connected with the scheme, the apprentices will be paid the difference between their regular salary and the amount paid by Canada Manpower.

IX.6 Job-Sharing:

a) Definitions:
Sharer - the incumbent of the permanent full-time position that is shared.
Sharee - the employee who shares the position held by the incumbent.

b) i) Job-sharing arrangements are limited to permanent full-time twelve or ten month positions.

ii) Job-sharing arrangements will not exceed a maximum of one (1) twelve (12) month period, unless approved by Human Resources.

iii) Job-sharing arrangements are available to permanent employees only.
iv) The sharee may request a leave of absence from their position to accept a job-sharing arrangement. Such leaves of absence shall not be approved beyond one (1) twelve (12) month period.

v) The employer agrees not to increase the work load of the position because of the introduction of job-sharing.

vi) There will be no reduction of the sharee’s full-time position as a consequence of the related job-sharing arrangements.

vii) Employee participation in job-sharing arrangements is totally voluntary.

c) Process:

i) An employee who wishes to enter into a job-sharing arrangement must have approval of the proposal from their supervisor and Human Resources.

ii) The time distribution will be mutually determined by the supervisor and the sharer.

iii) Eligibility for participation in benefit plans may be affected by a reduction in the work assignment. Participants in a job-sharing arrangement are advised to seek the advice of the Personnel department in this matter.

iv) The cost of benefits to the Board shall not increase as a result of job-sharing.

v) The approved job-sharing proposal will be posted as per the term of Clause IX.2. The position will be clearly identified as a temporary job-sharing arrangement.

vi) The sharer and the supervisor will have the opportunity to be involved with the selection process. The sharer will have the option of requesting a cancellation of the staffing process at any point up until the offer of employment is made to the candidate.

vii) The distribution of work load of the shared position will be mutually agreed to by the sharer, the sharee and the supervisor.

d) Termination of job-sharing arrangements:

i) A job-sharing arrangement may be terminated without a specific period of notice by mutual consent of all parties to the arrangements.

ii) At the end of the job-sharing arrangement the shared position will revert back to the incumbent of the position. The sharee will return to their former position.

iii) Where the sharer in the job-sharing arrangement resigns or transfers or is the successful applicant for a posted position the job-sharing arrangement will be terminated. The sharee will resume their former position.

iv) Where the sharee in the job-sharing arrangement resigns or transfers, the shared position will revert back to the incumbent who may begin the job-sharing process again.

v) At the conclusion of the job-share arrangement the sharee will have no bumping rights because of a reduction in hours.

e) Extensions to job-sharing arrangements: Job-sharing arrangements will be reviewed on an annual basis. Where the job-sharing partners and the supervisor mutually agree that an
extension to the job-sharing arrangement is desired, such an extension may be approved by the Employer.

IX. Seniority

Seniority is the length of current service that a permanent or temporary employee has with the Board and shall be accrued on a district-wide basis within the bargaining unit.

a) Seniority List:

i) The Board shall maintain a seniority list showing the years of current service, the date upon which each permanent and temporary employee's service commenced, and the department the employee is currently working in. An up-to-date list shall be sent to the financial secretary of the Union and be posted in all departments in January and July of each year.

b) No seniority rights are recognized during a new employee's probationary period, however, upon satisfactory completion of the probationary period, the employee shall then be entitled to seniority dating from the day on which he/she entered the service of the Board.

c) Seniority rights are recognized for the first twelve (12) months of approved maternity, paternity, and adoption leaves; any further extension will accumulate no seniority.

d) Years of Service for seniority purposes will be adjusted for a leave of absence without pay in excess of one (1) month, except for Maternity Leave as per part c) above.

e) i) If an employee is promoted to an excluded position not covered by this agreement, the employee shall retain his/her seniority in the position from which he/she was promoted.

ii) An employee joining the bargaining unit after holding an excluded position shall not bump a member of the bargaining unit and shall have the right to apply for vacant positions which have been posted. This shall not prevent a member of the bargaining unit from returning to his/her former position upon the conclusion of a temporary assignment to an excluded position for sixty (60) days or less. If the temporary assignment is to extend beyond sixty (60) days, the extension will be considered by the Liaison Committee and that Committee will determine whether the temporary assignment may continue.

iii) Only the employee's service within the bargaining unit will be considered for length of service.

f) Permanent and temporary employees who are laid off after less than one (1) year of service shall retain their seniority for a period equal to their months of service.

g) Permanent and temporary employees who are laid off after one (1) year of service shall retain their seniority for a period of one (1) year.

IX.8 Layoff/Bumping

a) Except as described in d) below, a layoff shall be defined as one (1) of the following:

i) a reduction in the number of permanent employees

ii) a reduction in the regular hours of work of permanent employees as defined in this agreement.
b) Increased length of service in the employment of the Board entitles employees to increased security of employment.

In the event of the elimination of a specific position, the individual in that position will be laid off.

In the event of other layoffs, employees within a department at a school or other work site will be laid off. The first to be laid off will be the employee with the least seniority who does not possess the required (threshold) qualifications for the position held. If all of the employees within the department at the school or work site possess the required (threshold) qualifications for the position the first to be laid off will be the employee who has the least seniority.

c) Permanent and temporary employees will receive thirty (30) days notice of layoff or pay in lieu. For ten-month employees only, the summer break, spring break and Christmas break will not be counted within the thirty days of notice.

d) In the matter of re-hiring following a lay-off, the employee shall be rehired on the basis of the "last laid off shall be the first re-hired".

e) Permanent employees laid off or bumped may choose one (1) of the following options:

i) Exercise seniority for any position within their department and within their geographic area for which they are qualified. Employees may also choose to exercise their seniority for any job in their department outside their geographic area for which they are qualified. Geographic areas are defined in Appendix A.

ii) Should a position as per i) above not be available, then exercise seniority for any position in any department for which they are qualified.

iii) A permanent employee having the hours in their position reduced may choose ONE (1) of the following options:

1) Accept the reduction in hours and remain in the position,

2) Exercise seniority in accordance with i) and ii)

iv) The right to bump shall not include the right to bump up in job category.
APPENDIX "A"
An employee's "geographic area" is defined by reference to this diagram.

Find the employee's location circle. The "geographic area" for that employee is that circle and any other circle(s) to which it is connect by a single line.
f) An employee must notify the Board of their wish to exercise their seniority, or be placed on the recall list, or accept a reduction in hours or receive severance pay within two (2) days of being notified of being laid off, displaced, or having their hours reduced.

g) If, during the bumping process and prior to exercising his or her bumping rights an employee is the successful applicant for a posted position, the employee’s current bumping rights are ended.

h) Deferred bumping rights will be accorded to employees who return to work following an approved Leave of Absence of at least one (1) month’s duration and have been laid off or bumped from their position while on Leave of Absence. On return to work the employee will exercise his/her bumping rights in accordance with clause IX.8 f), and the seniority which will apply will be the seniority that applied on the date the employee was laid off.

i) If an employee’s hours of work are reduced or jobs are lost through attrition or budget restrictions, the employer will inform the affected employee(s) and the supervisor of the reduced expectations for job performance.

IX.9 Recall

a) The Board will maintain a recall list, in seniority order, for all permanent and temporary employees who are laid off or have their term expire and have not received severance pay.

b) The Board will hire from the recall list before hiring casuals or anyone from the public provided the employee is qualified.

c) A laid off employee will remain on the recall list in accordance with Clause IX.7 f) & g) and be eligible to apply for any posted position.

d) Permanent and temporary employees who are laid off will be entitled to continue their applicable benefit coverage for three (3) months provided they pay the full premium costs.

e) A laid off employee may elect to receive severance pay in accordance with Clause III.6 i) i & ii) at the time of layoff or at any time while on the recall list and will be removed from the list at that time.

f) A laid off employee who is not rehired by the end of their recall period will be paid severance pay at that time and will be removed from the list.

g) Employees who are laid off or have their term expire and choose to receive severance pay will not be put on the recall list and will not be entitled to any benefit coverage.

h) Employees who are laid off and subsequently attain a temporary position shall, at the end of the term of the temporary position, be deemed to be a new layoff and the period of recall shall begin again.

IX.10 Discipline/Dismissal

a) The Board shall not discipline or dismiss any employee save and except for just and reasonable cause. Should the Board discipline or dismiss an employee, the employee shall be so informed by letter. The letter shall state the reasons for the discipline or dismissal. A copy of the letter shall be forwarded to the Union.

b) The Union will be notified of discipline action taken against an employee within five (5) days.
c) Where a supervisor intends to interview an employee for disciplinary purposes the supervisor will notify the employee in advance of the purpose of the interview in order that the employee may have his Union representative present.

d) An employee who has successfully completed a probationary period may be dismissed only on the authority of the Board. A supervisor may suspend an employee, but will immediately report such action to Human Resources. Such employee and the Union shall be advised immediately in writing of the reason for the suspension or dismissal.

e) At an arbitration in respect of the discipline or dismissal of an employee, no material from the employee’s file may be presented unless the material was brought to the employee’s attention at least three (3) working days prior to the arbitration hearing.

IX.11 Personnel Files

a) The District Office file of an employee shall be the only file relied upon by the Board. The Board agrees that only material verified by due process, including formal evaluation reports, and relevant to the employment of the employee shall be maintained in the district file.

b) Employees may attach a rebuttal to any information in their file. Where material critical of the employee is placed in the file, the employee may request to have the material removed two (2) years after the filing, provided that no further material of that nature has been subsequently filed. Such requests will not be unreasonably denied.
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ALL PAY SCHEDULES:

1. Level one (1) represents the rate payable to employees during their probationary period. Upon satisfactory completion of the probationary period, they will progress to level two (2).

2. Casual employees may accumulate hours equivalent to three (3) months' continuous service for service with less than a one (1) year break in order to progress to level two (2).

3. Employees will normally have their work scheduled from Monday to Friday with the exception of the Central Dispatch Clerk and any other employees that are scheduled to work on Saturday or Sunday as of June 16, 1998.
## SCHEDULE “A”

### AUXILIARY SERVICES

| CATEGORY I | Kitchen Utility | Level 1 | $16.92 | $18.97 | $17.09 | $19.16 | $17.09 | $19.16 | $17.18 | $19.26 | $17.35 | $19.45 |

| CATEGORY II | Cook Utility | Level 1 | $17.88 | $20.53 | $18.06 | $20.74 | $18.06 | $20.74 | $18.15 | $20.84 | $18.33 | $21.05 |
|            |              | Level 2 | $19.83 | $22.81 | $20.03 | $23.04 | $20.03 | $23.04 | $20.13 | $23.16 | $20.33 | $23.39 |

| CATEGORY III | Head Cook | Level 1 | $18.81 | $21.85 | $19.00 | $22.07 | $19.00 | $22.07 | $19.10 | $22.18 | $19.29 | $22.40 |
|             |           | Level 2 | $20.79 | $24.26 | $21.00 | $24.50 | $21.00 | $24.50 | $21.11 | $24.62 | $21.32 | $24.87 |

| CATEGORY IV | Second Dorm Assistant | Level 1 | $18.07 | $22.80 | $18.25 | $23.03 | $18.25 | $23.03 | $18.34 | $23.15 | $18.52 | $23.38 |
|             |                   | Level 2 | $20.08 | $26.32 | $20.28 | $25.57 | $20.28 | $25.57 | $20.38 | $25.70 | $20.58 | $25.96 |

| CATEGORY V | First Dorm Assistant | Level 1 | $20.37 | $23.91 | $20.57 | $24.15 | $20.57 | $24.15 | $20.67 | $24.27 | $20.88 | $24.51 |
|            |                   | Level 2 | $22.62 | $26.55 | $22.85 | $26.82 | $22.85 | $26.82 | $22.96 | $26.95 | $23.19 | $27.22 |

| CATEGORY VI | Cafeteria Coordinator | Level 1 | $22.36 | $22.58 | $22.58 | $22.58 | $22.58 | $22.58 | $22.69 | $22.69 | $22.92 | $22.92 |
|             |                   | Level 2 | $24.84 | $25.09 | $25.09 | $25.09 | $25.09 | $25.09 | $25.22 | $25.22 | $25.47 | $25.47 |

| CATEGORY VII | Dorm Attendant | Level 1 | $23.00 | $25.13 | $23.23 | $25.38 | $23.23 | $25.38 | $23.35 | $25.51 | $23.58 | $25.77 |
|              |                 | Level 2 | $25.18 | $27.91 | $25.43 | $28.19 | $25.43 | $28.19 | $25.66 | $28.33 | $25.82 | $28.61 |

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- **Level 2**: 1-May-17 * $21.61, 1-Jul-17 * $21.94, 1-May-18 * $22.05, 1-Jul-18 * $22.27

### CATEGORY II
Bus Driver
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- **Level 2**: 1-May-17 * $25.43, 1-Jul-17 * $25.82, 1-May-18 * $25.95, 1-Jul-18 * $26.21

### CATEGORY III
Mechanic
- **Level 1**: 1-May-17 * $23.58, 1-Jul-17 * $23.94, 1-May-18 * $24.06, 1-Jul-18 * $24.30
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Bus Dispatcher
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LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

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BUS DRIVERS

Bus Drivers employed by the School District to transport students on field and athletic trips shall be paid as follows:

1. Departure Day - Straight time at the applicable rate for the hours of driving on the field and athletic trip. Overtime rates shall apply for any hours driving in excess of eight (8) hours on the field and athletic trip.

2. Layover Days - For every full day away from home the driver shall be paid a minimum of eight (8) hours. If the driver is required to drive for a "short callout" on the layover day, he/she shall be credited a minimum of two (2) hours. If the "short callouts" accumulate to more than eight (8) hours that day, overtime rates shall apply.

3. Return Day - Return Day refers to the day following a night spent away from home. The driver shall be paid for a minimum of eight (8) hours on the return day of a two (2) day trip. On trips of three (3) days or more the driver shall be paid straight time at the applicable rate for the hours of driving on the return trip. Overtime rates shall apply for any hours driven in excess of eight (8) hours. If the driver is required to drive for a "short callout", he/she shall be credited a minimum of two (2) hours. This "short callout" credit is in addition to the hours paid for the return day trip.

4. If, at any time, driving exceeds past midnight, this shall be deemed an extension of the previous day.

5. Bus drivers shall be paid expenses in accordance with Board Policy and Regulations.

6. Dormitory Run (to Anahim Lake) - Bus Drivers shall be paid eight (8) hours straight time for each day of the dormitory run.

Leo Bacon
Secretary Treasurer

Grant MacLeod
President, IUOE, Local
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CLERICAL FORMULA

The School District agrees the following is a staffing formula for School Secretaries:

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Secondary Schools with off-site campuses are allocated decimal twenty (.20) seven (7) hours per week additional time for each off-site campus.

Entitlements are based on the September 30 enrollment and are effective October 1

Leo Bacon
Secretary Treasurer

Grant MacLeod
President, IUOE, Local

IUOE Collective Agreement 53
LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

February 28, 1996

This letter serves as a "Letter of Understanding" in addition to the Collective Agreement between the Board of School Trustees of School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 959.

MINIMUM HOURS OF WORK

All employees in the following departments: Auxiliary, Clerical, Youth Care Worker, First Nations Support Worker, and Custodial shall be paid a minimum of one (1) hour at the regular wage if the employee reports for work on any day as regularly scheduled by the Board of School Trustees.

Leo Bacon
Secretary Treasurer

Grant MacLeod
President, IUOE, Local
LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

May 31, 2006

This letter serves as a "Letter of Understanding" in addition to the Collective Agreement between the Board of School Trustees of School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 959.

PAY EQUITY ADJUSTED RATES

The School District will establish a pay schedule showing the rates of pay as negotiated in the collective agreement and a schedule of Pay Equity Adjusted rates for those positions identified in the pay equity plan as receiving pay equity adjustments.

Employees whose rate of pay shows a Pay Equity Adjustment will receive the adjusted rate until pay equity has been achieved.

If the pay equity funding ceases, the employees will revert to negotiated rates of pay of the current collective agreement.

Leo Bacon
Secretary Treasurer

Grant MacLeod
President, IUOE, Local
LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

June 16, 2005

This letter serves as a "Letter of Understanding" in addition to the Collective Agreement between the Board of School Trustees of School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 959.

RECLASSIFICATION OF EMPLOYEES IN CUSTODIAL DEPARTMENT

If the square footage of a building changes and results in the classification of an employee in the Custodial department being reclassified into a lower category, that employee will be given bumping rights in accordance with the Collective Agreement.

Leo Bacon  
Secretary Treasurer

Grant MacLeod  
President, IUOE, Local
LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

OCTOBER 12, 2006

This letter serves as a "Letter of Understanding" in addition to the Collective Agreement between the Board of School Trustees of School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 959.

MODIFIED WORK WEEK– GROW CENTRES

Nothing in this collective agreement will prevent the support staff who work at the GROW Centres from working their appointed hours on a four-day week schedule if such a schedule is approved by the Principal.

Overtime:

When appointed hours are worked over a four (4)-day week schedule, overtime will be paid, in accordance with VI.2, only if the hours worked exceed thirty-five (35) in any week or eight and three quarter (8.75) in any day.

Adjustments for Statutory Holidays and Professional Development Days:

Any adjustments required for statutory holidays and/or professional development days will be made on the basis of a five (5)-day schedule, one-fifth (1/5th) of the weekly working hours.

Other adjustments to pay or working hours, if required, will be made in accordance with the principles implied in the paragraphs above.

Leo Bacon
Secretary Treasurer

Grant MacLeod
President, IUOE, Local
LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

March 13, 2007

This letter serves as a “Letter of Understanding” in addition to the Collective Agreement between The Board of Education of School District No.27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 959.

Modified Day Shift Schedule for Custodial Department

The following modified day shift schedule will be added to Schedule “f”.

Modified Day Shift: eight (8) consecutive hours between 1130 and 2000 hours, excluding meal breaks.

Leo Bacon
Secretary Treasurer

Grant MacLeod
President, IUOE, Local 959
LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

September 13, 2007

This letter serves as a "Letter of Understanding" in addition to the Collective Agreement between The Board of Education of School District No.27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 959.

HOURS OF WORK IN THE STUDENT RESIDENCE

The First Dormitory Assistant’s hours of work shall be eight (8) hours per day in the period of 0700 to 2400 hours or seven (7) hours consecutive hours between 2400 and 0800 hours including meal breaks.

The Teacher Assistant assigned to the Student Residence shall work a shift between 1700 and 2200 hours.

Bonnie Roller
Secretary Treasurer

Grant MacLeod
President, IUOE, Local 959
LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

October 18, 2007

This letter serves as a "Letter of Understanding" in addition to
the Collective Agreement between The Board of Education
of School District No.27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) and the
International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 959.

HOURS OF WORK IN THE AUXILIARY DEPARTMENT

The First Dormitory Assistant’s hours of work shall be eight (8) hours per day in the
period of 0700 to 2400 hours or seven (7) hours consecutive hours between 2400 and
0800 hours including meal breaks.

The Education Assistant assigned to the Student Residence shall be assigned a shift
between 1700 and 2200 hours.

Cafeteria Staff who prepare meals for the students in the Student Residence shall work
eight (8) consecutive hours between 0530 and 1800 hours.

Bonnie Roller
Secretary Treasurer

Grant MacLeod
President, IUOE, Local 959
LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

January 10, 2008

This letter serves as a "Letter of Understanding" in addition to the Collective Agreement between The Board of Education of School District No.27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 959.

Modified Shift Schedule for Grounds

The following modified shift schedule will be added to Schedule "G".

When snow removal is required, any grounds-person who starts work before 0330, will work seven (7) hours and be paid for eight (8). Any grounds-person who starts work after 0330 will be considered as working a day shift and will work eight (8) hours.

Bonnie Roller  Grant MacLeod
Secretary Treasurer  President, IUOE, Local 959
LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

September 11, 2008

This letter serves as a "Letter of Understanding" in addition to the Collective Agreement between The Board of Education of School District No.27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 959.

CERTIFIED EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATOR'S RATES OF PAY

Certified Early Childhood Educators will be paid at the Category II rate of pay for Teacher Assistants, including the Pay Equity Adjusted Rate (if applicable) and will be added to Schedule "C" of the Collective Agreement.

Bonnie Roller
Secretary Treasurer

Grant MacLeod
President, IUOE, Local 959

IUOE Collective Agreement
LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

January 22, 2009

This letter serves as a "Letter of Understanding" in addition to the Collective Agreement between The Board of Education of School District No.27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 959.

MODIFIED WORK WEEK – NAGHTANEQED SCHOOL

Nothing in this collective agreement will prevent the support staff who work at Naghtaneqed School from working their appointed hours on a four-day week schedule if such a schedule is approved by the Principal.

Overtime:

When appointed hours are worked over a four (4)-day week schedule, overtime will be paid in accordance with VI.2, only if the hours worked exceed eight and three quarters (8.75) on any one (1) day for a thirty-five (35) hour/week position or ten (10) hours on any day for a forty (40) hour/week position.

Adjustments for Statutory Holidays and Professional Development Days:

Any adjustments required for statutory holidays and/or professional development days will be made on the basis of a five (5)-day schedule, one-fifth (1/5th) of the weekly working hours.

Other adjustments to pay or working hours, if required, will be made in accordance with the principles implied in the paragraphs above.

Bonnie Roller
Secretary Treasurer

Grant MacLeod
President, IUOE, Local 959
LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

January 22, 2009

This letter serves as a “Letter of Understanding” in addition to the Collective Agreement between The Board of Education of School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 959.

ACCESS TO PERSONNEL FILES

There shall be access to an individual’s personnel files during regular office hour at a time mutually agreed upon by the employee and the Human Resources Office. There will not be an unreasonable delay in granting access to the file.

Bonnie Roller
Secretary Treasurer

Grant MacLeod
President, IUOE, Local 959
LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

March 8, 2011

This letter serves as a “Letter of Understanding” in addition to the Collective Agreement between The Board of Education of School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 959.

STATUTORY HOLIDAY PAY

All employees, except Casual employees, will be paid one-fifth (1/5) of their weekly assignment for each Statutory Holiday that falls within their appointed time.

For ten (10) month employees this means all Statutory Holidays that fall between September 1 and June 30 of each year, even if the employee does not start work until the first day of school. New Ten (10) month employees hired after the school year begins will be paid for Statutory Holidays that fall between their first day of work and June 30.

For employees working at Glendale School operating on the Alternate School Year Calendar:

All employees, except Casual employees, will be paid for each Statutory Holiday that falls between September 1, and July 31 of each year, even if the employee does not start work until the first day of school. New ten (10) month employees hired after the school year begins will be paid for Statutory Holidays that fall between their first day of work and July 31.

Casual employees will receive four decimal 2 (4.2)% of salary on each cheque in lieu of Statutory Holiday pay.
(This is already in CA – Clause VII.2 d)

Bonnie Roller
Secretary Treasurer

Grant MacLeod
President, IUOE, Local 959
LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

May 8, 2012

This letter serves as a “Letter of Understanding” in addition to The Collective Agreement between The Board of Education of School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 959.

MODIFIED WORK WEEK – DOG CREEK ELEMENTARY/JUNIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Nothing in this collective agreement will prevent the support staff who work at Dog Creek Elementary/Junior Secondary School from working their appointed hours on a four (4) day week schedule if such a schedule is approved by the Principal.

Overtime:

When appointed hours are worked over a four (4) day week schedule, overtime will be paid in accordance with VI.2 only if the hours worked exceed eight and three quarter hours on any one (1) day for a thirty-five (35) hour/week position or ten (10) hours on any day for a forty (40) hour/week position.

Adjustment for Statutory Holidays and professional Development Days:

Any adjustments required for statutory holidays and/or professional development days will be made on the basis of a five (5) day schedule, one-fifth (1/5th) of the weekly working hours.

Other adjustments to pay or working hours, if required, will be made in accordance with the principles implied in the paragraphs above

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Bonnier Roller                        Grant MacLeod
Secretary-Treasurer                  President, IUOE Local 959
LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING

June 28, 2013

This letter serves as a “Letter of Understanding” in addition to The Collective Agreement between The Board of Education of School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 959.

EDUCATION ASSISTANT DEPARTMENT – HOURS OF WORK

Education Assistants, working as early childhood educators in StrongStart centres, shall have their hours scheduled between 0800 and 2000 hours.

Shifts scheduled beyond 1700 hours will include fifteen (15) minutes of time, which will be paid as remuneration for a shift differential.

This letter of understanding expires on June 30, 2014.

Original signed by Mark Thiessen
Mark Thiessen
Superintendent

Original signed by Grant MacLeod
Grant MacLeod
President, IUOE Local 959
Letter of Understanding (LOU)
Between
BC Public School Employers’ Association
And
School Boards who are Signatories to this LOU
And
Support Staff Unions who are Signatories to this LOU

The following items will form the basis of a framework for settlement between Support Staff Unions and Boards of Education in the K-12 Public Education Sector. This framework in its entirety will be incorporated into memorandum of agreement achieved between Support Staff Unions and Boards of Education no later than February 29, 2012.

Term
July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2012

Wage Re-opener

This memorandum of agreement is being negotiated in accordance with the PSEC Mandate established by Government for the current round of collective bargaining.

The employer agrees that in the event that Government decides to modify the PSEC Mandate, as it applies to the entire Public Service and Public Sector, during the term of the collective agreement, the school district and the local support staff union will have the opportunity to renegotiate the total compensation for the balance of the term of the collective agreement.

This opportunity to renegotiate will relate to total compensation only and such negotiations will be governed by the revised PSEC Mandate. This renegotiation will not result in the early termination of the collective agreement.

The Support Staff Education and Adjustment Committee

1. The parties agree to continue and expand the scope of the Support Staff Education and Adjustment Committee (SSEAC) to include the following.

   a) an examination and discussion of any impediments arising from and the options to facilitate the introduction of shared services
b) a focus on best practices to integrate skill development for support staff employees with district goals and student needs

c) a study of the potential for regionalization of wages and benefits

d) an investigation of benefit standardization for the purpose of additional efficiencies during the life of the collective agreement

e) recommendations to address issues associated with hours of work and service delivery

f) a review of practices in districts having modified school calendars and the resulting impact on support staff

g) skills enhancement for support staff

There will be a total of $550,000 allocated for the purposes set out above. The parties agree that work plans to address the above and any resulting recommendations will require mutual agreement.

2. The funds stipulated in Item 1 of the LOA – Class Organization Fund will be allocated in accordance with the following principles:

a) The SSEAC will provide advice to the Ministry of Education regarding the allocations of the above funds to Boards of Education.

b) This advice will include recommendations that be directed to expanding services for students. Examples of initiatives include enhancing incremental EA hours for initiatives such as consultations, collaborative planning meetings, student coverage and innovative practices for existing EA positions working more than 10 hours per week and less than 35 hours per week.

c) Support staff local unions and Boards of Education will formulate a plan for the above funds.

d) SSEAC will review such plans and provide input to the Ministry of Education.

Demographic, Classification and Wage Information

The employer will, subject to the availability of the data, provide the following information.

Every October 1st, the union will be provided with detailed bargaining unit demographic, earnings and job classification information for all reported
bargaining unit members from the previous school year in Microsoft Excel spreadsheet format. This information will comprise the following data elements.

- School District employer
- Years of age (at the time of data submission)
- Gender
- Position code
- Current wage level
- Status (Permanent/Temporary/Casual)
- Annual hours of work
- Years of work experience with the current employer

BCPSEA will provide a Letter of Commitment regarding data as found in Attachment 1.

**PEBT**

The employer agrees to append the letter found in Attachment 2 to support staff collective agreements re: Public Education Benefits Trust for information purposes.

The parties agree that decisions of the Public Education Benefits Trust medical appeal panel are final and binding. The parties further agree that administrative review processes and the medical appeal panel will not be subject to the grievance procedure in each collective agreement.

**Provincial Bargaining**

At least six (6) months prior to the expiry of collective agreements between K-12 employers and support staff unions, representatives of employers and support staff unions shall meet to discuss the process of provincial bargaining for the next round of collective bargaining.

There will be a total of $200,000 allocated for the costs associated with provincial discussions related to bargaining.
Dated this 14th day of December, 2011.

The undersigned bargaining representatives agree to recommend this letter of understanding to their respective principals.

CUPE & Support Staff Unions

Colin. D. Pawson

Shirlee O'Brien

Lorraine House

Colleen Soop

Daphne Ross

Nancy Cooper

Maureen MacKillop

Leanne

BC Public School Employers' Association & Boards of Education

Rango Del Negro

Joe Ruddy

C. B. Smyth

A. Dee Grice

Jim Coghlan

E. Seabourn

Chair
LETTER OF AGREEMENT

BETWEEN:

BCPSEA

AND

K-12 SUPPORT STAFF UNIONS

AND

HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN IN RIGHT OF THE PROVINCE OF BC AS REPRESENTED BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

RE: CLASS ORGANIZATION FUND: Support Staff Priorities

WHEREAS:

The Ministry intends to establish and maintain additional funding for the purpose of addressing high priority challenges to student learning arising from the organization of classes within schools in the province; and

The K-12 support staff unions have since 2006 raised concerns in bargaining regarding the issues of unpaid Education Assistant work, lack of stable EA hours, bell to bell EA scheduling and lack of livable earnings for EAs, and

The Support Staff Education & Adjustment Committee (SSEAC) is a joint committee of K-12 Support Staff Unions and the BC Public School Employers’ Association.

THEREFORE:

The parties hereby agree as follows:

1. Funding will be allocated as follows:
   • $7.5 million for year one, for the school year commencing September, 2012, and
   • $7.5 million per year for each year thereafter.
2. The SSEAC will provide advice to the Ministry of Education regarding the allocations of the above funds to Boards of Education.

3. In the event of a dispute arising from the interpretation, application or alleged violation of this agreement there will be a meeting of the parties, and failing agreement, the parties will submit the concern to a mutually agreed arbitrator.

4. It is a fundamental term of this Agreement that the Ministry will take all steps necessary to implement this Agreement including through introducing legislation to ensure its continuing validity. This Agreement is subject to the necessary legislative authorities existing, which will make it effective and remain in effect.

Original signed on December 14th, 2011 by:

BCPSEA

Support Staff Unions

Ministry of Education
MEMORANDUM OF SETTLEMENT  
"Memorandum"

Between

BOARD OF EDUCATION for SCHOOL DISTRICT (#27)(Cariboo-Chilcotin)  
"Employer"

And

INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS,  
Local(#959)  
"Union"

The parties to this Memorandum of Settlement agree to recommend to their respective principals the ratification of a revised collective agreement incorporating the changes outlined below.

Continuing Provisions of the Current Collective Agreement

Except as provided by this Memorandum, the terms and conditions of the collective agreement between the Employer and the Union that expired on June 30, 2012 will be incorporated in their entirety into the revised collective agreement between the parties.

Matters Pursued During Collective Bargaining By the Employer or Union

All matters pursued during collective bargaining by the Employer or the Union and not expressly included in this Memorandum are considered to be introduced and withdrawn on a “without prejudice” basis.

Effective Date
Unless otherwise specifically noted, all agreed changes to the collective agreement between the Employer and the Union shall take effect on the Parties duly ratifying this Memorandum.

Changes to the Revised Collective Agreement

The July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2012 Collective Agreement will continue in force and effect until June 30, 2012 except as modified by the following:


Appendix "B" – Local Memorandum of Agreement between the Board of Education for School District [#27] [Cariboo-Chilcotin] and the International Union of Operating Engineers Local [#959], dated November 19, 2013 which sets out all other agreed changes to the Collective Agreement.

These changes shall be included in the 2012 – 2014 Collective Agreement.

Ratification

This memorandum is subject to ratification by the Board of Education for School District [#27] [Cariboo-Chilcotin], the BC Public School Employers' Association and the membership of IUOE Local [#959].

AGREED __________________, 2013

Board of Education for School District [#27]                      IUOE Local [959]

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Wesley Parks

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Bill Scott

__________________
Peter Millet
Appendix “A”

Provincial Framework Agreement ("Framework")

between

BC Public School Employers' Association ("BCPSEA")

and

The CUPE BC K-12 Presidents' Council and Support Staff Unions ("the Unions")

BCPSEA and the Unions ("the Parties") agree to recommend the following framework for inclusion in the collective agreements between local Support Staff Unions and Boards of Education.

The rights and obligations of the local parties under this framework are of no force or effect unless their collective agreement has been ratified by both parties no later than Dec. 20, 2013.

1. Term

July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2014.

2. Wage Increases

Wages will increase by 3.5%. Increases will be effective on the following dates:

- July 1, 2013 – 1.0%
- February 1, 2014 – 2.0%
- May 1, 2014 – 0.5%

3. The Support Staff Education and Adjustment Committee (SSEAC)

The Parties agree to renew their commitment to the Support Staff Education and Adjustment Committee (SSEAC). The Parties remain committed to the exploration of the following:

a) a focus on best practices to integrate skill development for support staff employees with district goals and student needs

b) a study of the potential for regionalization of wages

c) an exploration of the potential for a standardized extended health and dental benefit plan

d) recommendations to address issues associated with hours of work and service delivery
e) a review of practices in districts having modified school calendars and the resulting impact on support staff

f) skills enhancement for support staff

4. Recognition & Respect for Education Assistants

a) The Parties agree to establish a Committee charged with the responsibility of investigating and making recommendations regarding possibilities for the creation of whole Education Assistant jobs, and for the deployment of Education Assistant staff in accordance with recognized best practices.

b) The Parties agree the Committee will engage with the Ministry of Education around the implementation of a system of recognized credentials and qualifications to regulate the employment of Education Assistants.

c) The Parties agree the Committee will convene its initial meeting within six weeks of the ratification of support staff collective agreements.

d) The Parties agree the Committee will be resourced with a fixed budget drawn from SSEAC funds to accomplish its work.

e) The Parties agree that the Committee will complete its work in time to report back to the Parties for the next round of support staff bargaining.

Items previously agreed to (see attached):

Agreed Understanding of the term Education Assistant

Letter to the Ministry of Education requesting term Education Assistant be made applicable to legislation and regulations.

5. Illness and Injury Leave, Costs and Replacement Policies

Eligibility for sick leave or indemnity payments requires participation in the Joint Early Intervention Service (JEIS) according to the JEIS policies of the PEBT.

The provincial and local parties agree to investigate the use and cost of sick leave and Board staff replacement policies with a view to recommending best practices to the parties and the PEBT.

6. Drug Plan

(a) The prescription drug provisions of the PEBT extended health plans will be amended, subject to paragraph (b), to provide coverage in accordance with the BlueRX Formulary and implementation of the BlueNet pay direct card.
(b) Bargaining units with existing drug card coverage and/or those using the Pharmacare formulary are not covered by (a). The provincial parties urge the local parties to seek ways, through local negotiations, to move towards this new provincial standard.

7. Letter of Understanding

The parties agree to amend and renew the December 14, 2011 Letter of Understanding, including:

a. Dedicated Funding

Dedicated funding in the amount $100,000 to facilitate the next round of provincial bargaining.

b. PEBT

The Parties agree to include the Settlors Statement on Accepted Policy and Practices of the PEBT as contained in the 2011 Letter of Understanding as an attachment to their local collective agreements.

c. Demographic, Classification and Wage Information

The undertakings with respect to providing information contained in the 2011 Letter of Understanding are renewed.

8. Enabling Shared Services

The Parties and representatives of the Ministry of Education will examine and discuss any impediments arising from, and the options to facilitate, the introduction of shared services.

Signed this 18th day of September, 2013.

For BCPSEA

[Original signed by Bargaining Committee]

[Original signed by Bargaining Committee]

Support Staff Provincial Discussion Agreed Upon Language

Add the following letter of understanding to each collective agreement where the parties are signatory to this agreement:
LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING No.

BETWEEN:

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 27  
("The Board")

AND

[International Union of Operating Engineers Local 959]  
("The Union")

Re: Agreed Understanding of the Term Education Assistant

For the purposes of this collective agreement, where applicable, the term Education Assistant (EA) has the same meaning as Teacher Assistant (Position Titles agreed to by the parties to be filled in by the employer and union local) as found in the 2010-2012 Collective Agreement and is not intended to alter or amend any terms or conditions of employment.

The parties will meet to review existing position titles and develop a schedule of position(s) that require the incorporation of the position title Education Assistant (EA).

Signed this ______ day of __________________, 2013.

For The Board

[Original signed by Peter Cameron]
Peter Cameron
BCPSEA

For The Union

[Original signed by Bill Pegler]
Bill Pegler
CUPE
CUPE
Claire Avison  
Assistant Deputy Minister, Governance, Legislation and Regulation  
Ministry of Education  

Dear Ms. Avison:

As part of the framework discussions between the K-12 Support Staff Unions and BCPSEA, the parties have agreed that it is desirable to facilitate a transition from the term “Teacher’s Assistant” to “Education Assistant”.

The parties agree that “Education Assistant” more accurately describes the nature of the work in the current context and into the future. We respectfully request that consideration be given to the possibility that a similar change could be made to applicable legislation and regulations.

Yours truly,

[Original signed by Peter Cameron]
Peter Cameron  
BCPSEA

[Original signed by Bill Pegler]
Bill Pegler  
CUPE
Bill Pegler
K-12 Coordinator
Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE)

Letter of Commitment

BCPSEA agrees to coordinate the accumulation and distribution of demographic, classification and wage data, as specified in the Letter of Understanding dated December 14, 2011, to CUPE on behalf of Boards of Education. The data currently housed in the Employment Data and Analysis Systems (EDAS) will be the source of the requested information.

Original signed on December 14, 2011 by:

[Original signed by Jacquie Griffiths]

________________________________________
Jacquie Griffiths

Associate Executive Director

BCPSEA
Memorandum: To All Member School Districts and Support Staff Unions

Settlors Statement on Accepted Policy and Practices of the PEBT

The Public Education Benefits Trust Fund (PEBT) was created in June 2002 and is sponsored by both the British Columbia Public School Employers' Association (BCPSEA) and the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE). The program is governed by a Board of Trustees representing both School Districts and Support Staff workers in the K-12 sector. Currently, there are 59 school districts, 67 union locals, and over 20,000 plan members participating in the trust.

The Settlors to the PEBT are BCPSEA and CUPE. The PEBT holds a Settlors meeting annually where the Settlors are provided with an annual report and update from the Board. The Settlors also have an opportunity to raise issues and give input to the Board.

The PEBT sponsors a confidential Joint Early Intervention Service (JEIS) as an integral part of the disability program to assist plan members in their return to work. The program is supported by Unions, School Districts and the PEBT and is provided through funding from the provincial government for the “Core” LTD.

The PEBT is now entering its eighth year and members are more familiar with the plan and its operations. However, the PEBT Board has asked the Settlors to remind their respective constituents of the importance of following the policies and practices applied by the PEBT in providing the various benefits.

The Settlors recognize the value and importance of the PEBT in the K-12 Public Education Sector. The Settlors also recognize and support following the policies and procedures of the PEBT (outlined at www.PEBT.ca). The Settlors agree to work with and encourage their respective parties to adhere to the policies and procedures of the PEBT.

For further clarification please contact your BCPSEA or CUPE representative.
Local Memorandum of Agreement
between
the Board of Education for School District [#27] [Cariboo-Chilcotin]
and
the International Union of Operating Engineers Local [#959]

The parties hereby agree to the following amendments to the 2010-2012 Collective Agreement:

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Dated the 19 of November 2013

School District #27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin)  IUOE Local [#959]
MEMORANDUM OF SETTLEMENT
“Memorandum”

Between

BOARD OF EDUCATION for SCHOOL DISTRICT (#27)
(Cariboo-Chilcotin)
“Employer”

And

INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS,
Local 959
“Union”

The parties to this Memorandum of Settlement agree to recommend to their respective principals the ratification of a revised collective agreement incorporating the changes outlined below.

Continuing Provisions of the Current Collective Agreement

Except as provided by this Memorandum, the terms and conditions of the collective agreement between the Employer and the Union that expired on June 30, 2014 will be incorporated in their entirety into the revised collective agreement between the parties.

Effective Date

Unless otherwise specifically noted, all agreed changes to the collective agreement between the Employer and the Union shall take effect on the Parties duly ratifying this Memorandum.
Changes to the Revised Collective Agreement

The July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2014 Collective Agreement will continue in force and effect until June 30, 2014 except as modified by the following:

Appendix "A" - Local Memorandum of Agreement between the Board of Education for School District 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) and the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 959 dated September 30, 2014 which sets out all other agreed changes to the Collective Agreement.


These changes shall be included in the 2014 - 2019 Collective Agreement.

Ratification

This memorandum is subject to ratification by the Board of Education for School District 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin), the BC Public School Employers' Association and the membership of IUOE Local 959.

AGREED Sept. 30, 2014

Board of Education for School District 27

IUOE Local 959

Wanda Long
Appendix "A"

Local Memorandum of Agreement
between
the Board of Education for School District 27
(CARIBOO-CHILCOTIN)
and
the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 959

The parties hereby agree to the following amendments to the 2012-2014 Collective Agreement:

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All reference to Teachers Assistant be changed to Education Assistant

Dated the 30th of September, 2014

[Signatures]

School District #27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin)  IUOE Local 959
Appendix “B”

Provincial Framework Agreement (“Framework”) between

BC Public School Employers' Association ("BCPSEA") and

The K-12 Presidents' Council and Support Staff Unions ("the Unions")

BCPSEA and the Unions ("the Parties") agree to recommend the following framework for inclusion in the collective agreements between local Support Staff Unions who are members of the K-12 Presidents' Council and Boards of Education.

The rights and obligations of the local parties under this framework are of no force or effect unless their collective agreement has been ratified by both parties no later than November 30, 2014.

1. Term

July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2019.

2. Wage Increases

Wages will increase by 5.5%. Increases will be effective on the following dates:

- July 1, 2015 1.0%
- May 1, 2016 Economic Stability Dividend
- July 1, 2016 0.5%
- May 1, 2017 1.0% plus Economic Stability Dividend
- July 1, 2017 0.5%
- May 1, 2018 1.0% plus Economic Stability Dividend
- July 1, 2018 0.5%
- May 1, 2019 1.0% plus Economic Stability Dividend

The terms of the Economic Stability Dividend are described in Appendix A.

3. Employee Support Grant

BCPSEA, the Unions and the Government agree to the principle that support staff union members who have lost wages as a result of not crossing lawful picket lines during full days of the BCTF strike/BCPSEA lockout shall be compensated in accordance with the agreement in Appendix B.
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4. Benefits Standardization

The Parties agree to pursue a voluntary standardized extended health plan to be implemented during the term of the collective agreement in accordance with the terms laid out in Appendix C.

5. The Support Staff Education and Adjustment Committee (SSEAC)

The Parties agree to renew their commitment to the Support Staff Education and Adjustment Committee (SSEAC). The Parties remain committed to the exploration of the following:

- g) a focus on best practices to integrate skill development for support staff employees with district goals and student needs
- h) a study of the potential for regionalization of wages
- i) an exploration of the potential for a standardized extended health and dental benefit plan
- j) recommendations to address issues associated with hours of work and service delivery
- k) a review of practices in districts having modified school calendars and the resulting impact on support staff
- l) skills enhancement for support staff

There will be a total of $100,000 of annual funding allocated for the purposes set out above commencing July 1, 2015. The parties agree that work plans to address the above and any resulting recommendations will require mutual agreement.

6. Education Assistants Committee

- a) The Parties agree to continue the Education Assistants Committee charged with the responsibility of investigating and making recommendations regarding possibilities for the creation of whole Education Assistant jobs, and for the deployment of Education Assistant staff in accordance with recognized best practices.

- b) The Parties agree the Committee will engage with the Ministry of Education around the development and implementation of a system of recognized credentials and qualifications to regulate the employment of Education Assistants.

- c) The Parties agree the Committee shall consist of not more than 8 representatives appointed by Support Staff unions and not more than 8 representatives appointed by BCPSEA.
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d) The Parties agree the Committee will be resourced with a budget fixed by SSEAC and drawn from SSEAC funds to accomplish its work.

e) The Parties agree the work of the Committee will recommence within one year of the ratification of the framework agreement.

f) The Parties agree that the Committee will complete its work and report its findings to the Parties.

7. Learning Improvement Fund – Support Staff

The funds stipulated in Item 1 of the LOA – Learning Improvement Fund: Support Staff Priorities (Appendix D) are the greater of $10 million or 20% of the LIF commencing on July 1, 2015. These funds will be allocated to School Districts in accordance with the following principles as per established SSEAC procedures:

a) Additional hours will be allocated to EA positions of more than 10 and less than 35 hours where required to provide support for the learning needs of students in alignment with district objectives and the Learning Improvement Fund Statute and Regulation. This does not preclude the creation of new full time or part time EA positions.

b) In order to facilitate the creation of full time jobs, the Parties encourage the bundling of duties.

c) In order to promote continuity of student coverage consideration will be given to creating positions of equivalent length. For clarity, shifts scheduled for a duration not ending in a whole hour or half hour, will be increased to the next half hour.

d) Consideration may be given to the establishment of itinerant positions to enhance services to students with special needs and provide for the opportunity to effectively deploy EA’s in circumstances of changing enrollment throughout the school year.

e) Support staff local unions and Boards of Education will formulate a plan for the above funds. Plans for full time jobs for EA’s are to be accompanied by job descriptions as per existing SSEAC procedures in accordance with the Collective Agreements.

f) SSEAC will receive the jointly agreed plans from school districts and locals.

g) If disputes arise regarding the implementation of this agreement the matter will be referred to the SSEAC.

h) Should SSEAC fail to resolve the issue to the satisfaction of the referring parties the matter may be sent by either party to mediation using a mutually agreed upon mediator.
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i) If permitted by legislation and regulation, a one-time allocation of $2.5 million from these funds, on or after July 1, 2015, will be provided to the SSEAC Skills Enhancement Fund to be distributed to school districts for job related EA training according to established procedures. The Parties agree to write a joint letter to the Ministry requesting that any enabling changes to legislation and regulation be made to allow this to occur.

8. PEBT

  a) Date adjustment for the annual funding of the PEBT LTD plan:

Change the date of the annual funding payment of $19,428,240 provided by the Ministry of Education from January 1 to April 1 of each year, commencing April 1, 2015. Thereafter the Ministry of Education will provide the PEBT with $19,428,240 each April 1.

The annual contribution period will continue to be based on the calendar year.

Recognizing the impact on interest earnings as a result of the three (3) month delay in 2015, the PEBT will be provided with a one-time interest payment by the Ministry of Education of $300,000 on January 2, 2015.

  b) Employee Family Assistance Program (EFAP) services and the PEBT

The Parties request that the PEBT Board undertake a review to assess the viability of administering all support staff EFAP plans.

9. Shared Services

The Parties will write a joint letter to the Ministry seeking agreement to include representatives from the support staff unions in a consultation process involving shared services undertakings that may have an impact on support staff positions.

10. Demographic, Classification and Wage Information

BCPSEA agrees to coordinate the accumulation and distribution of demographic, classification and wage data, as specified in the Letter of Understanding dated December 14, 2011, to CUPE on behalf of Boards of Education. The data currently housed in the Employment Data and Analysis Systems (EDAS) will be the source of the requested information.

11. Standardized Job Evaluation Study

The Parties will establish a provincial joint job evaluation steering committee (the JE committee) within thirty (30) days following the signing of this framework agreement. The committee is responsible to create a provincial job evaluation plan which may include a regional or local approach. The JE tool will be based upon the CUPE gender neutral job evaluation plan. The Parties agree the plan can be modified to fit the needs of the K-12 sector.
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The committee will report out to the Parties at key milestones during the development of the plan. Should any concerns arise during the development they will be discussed and resolved by the Parties at that time.

Upon successful completion of the plan the Parties will identify one local in each of the seven established CUPE regions to pilot the plan prior to full implementation.

12. Job Evaluation Fund

To fund the development work of the JE committee during 2014 the Parties agree to a one-time allocation of $50,000 from SSEAC.

To facilitate the implementation of the provincial job evaluation plan a fund will be established within SSEAC with an initial one-time allocation of $250,000 on July 1, 2015 and annually each year thereafter during the term of the framework agreement, for a total of $1,000,000 in one-time funding.

In addition to the one-time allocations, ongoing annual funds of $900,000 will be added to the job evaluation fund for implementation purposes at January 2, 2019. Any residual ongoing funds that are available after the implementation of the standardized benefit plan will be added to the job evaluation fund.

13. Provincial Bargaining

The parties agree to amend and renew the December 14, 2011 Letter of Understanding for dedicated funding of $200,000 to the K-12 Presidents’ Council to facilitate the next round of provincial bargaining. This funding will be allocated as of July 1, 2016.

14. Unpaid Work

In accordance with the Employment Standards Act, no employee shall be required or permitted to perform unpaid hours of work.

15. Workload Concerns

The Parties agree that employees should be provided with a reasonable workload. Employees with workload concerns are encouraged to bring these concerns to their supervisor or union in order that the concerns can be addressed.

16. Modified Calendar

The parties recognize calendar changes are an area of concern for local support staff unions. For future calendar amendments during the term of the collective agreement the Parties agree to review and compile best practices on existing modified calendars.
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The Parties recommend that where boards of education are considering making calendar changes that may have an impact on the income of support staff employees, the support staff union will have the opportunity to provide input prior to the decision being made.

Dated this 7th day of June, 2014.

The undersigned bargaining representatives agree to recommend this letter of understanding to their respective principals.

K-12 Presidents’ Council and Support Staff Unions

[Original signed by Bargaining Committees]

BC Public School Employers’ Association & Boards of Education

[Signature]

[Signature]

[Signature]

[Signature]
APPENDIX A

LETTER OF AGREEMENT

BETWEEN:
BRITISH COLUMBIA PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS’ ASSOCIATION
AND
K-12 PRESIDENTS COUNCIL

Re ECONOMIC STABILITY DIVIDEND

Definitions

1. In this Letter of Agreement:

“Collective agreement year” means each twelve (12) month period commencing on the first day of the renewed collective agreement. For example, the collective agreement year for a collective agreement that commences on April 1, 2014 is April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015 and each period from April 1 to March 31 for the term of the collective agreement.


“Forecast GDP” means the average forecast for British Columbia’s real GDP growth made by the Economic Forecast Council and as reported in the annual February budget of the government;

“Fiscal year” means the fiscal year of the government as defined in the Financial Administration Act [1996 S.B.C.] c. 138 as ‘the period from April 1 in one year to March 31 in the next year’;

“Calendar year” is a twelve (12) month period starting January 1 and ending December 31 of the same year based upon the Gregorian calendar.

“GDP” or “Gross Domestic Product” for the purposes of this LOA means the expenditure side value of all goods and services produced in British Columbia for a given year as stated in the BC Economic Accounts;

“GWI” or “General Wage Increase” means a general wage increase resulting from the formula set out in this LOA and applied as a percentage increase to all wage rates in the collective agreement on the first pay day after the commencement of the eleventh (11th) month in a collective agreement year;

“Real GDP” means the GDP for the previous fiscal year expressed in constant dollars and adjusted for inflation produced by Statistics Canada’s Provincial and Territorial Gross Domestic Product by Income and by Expenditure Accounts (also known as the provincial and territorial economic accounts) and published as “Real Gross Domestic Product at Market Prices” currently in November of each year.
The Economic Stability Dividend

2. The Economic Stability Dividend shares the benefits of economic growth between employees in the public sector and the Province contingent on growth in BC’s real GDP.

3. Employees will receive a general wage increase (GWI) equal to one-half (1/2) of any percentage gain in real GDP above the forecast of the Economic Forecast Council for the relevant calendar year.

4. For greater clarity and as an example only, if real GDP were one percent (1%) above forecast real GDP then employees would be entitled to a GWI of one-half of one percent (0.5%).

Annual Calculation and publication of the Economic Stability Dividend

5. The Economic Stability Dividend will be calculated on an annual basis by the Minister of Finance for each collective agreement year commencing in 2015/16 to 2018/2019 and published through the PSEC Secretariat.

6. The timing in each calendar year will be as follows:

   (i) February Budget – Forecast GDP for the upcoming calendar year;
   (ii) November of the following calendar year – Real GDP published for the previous calendar year;
   (iii) November - Calculation by the Minister of Finance of fifty percent (50%) of the difference between the Forecast GDP and the Real GDP for the previous calendar year;
   (iv) Advice from the PSEC Secretariat to employers’ associations, employers and unions of the percentage allowable General Wage Increase, if any, for each bargaining unit or group with authorization to employers to implement the Economic Growth Dividend.

7. For greater clarity and as an example only:

For collective agreement year 3 (2016/17):

   (i) February 2015 – Forecast GDP for calendar 2015;
   (ii) November 2016 – Real GDP published for calendar 2015;
   (iii) November 2016 - Calculation of the fifty percent (50%) of the difference between the 2015 Forecast GDP and the 2015 Real GDP by the Minister of Finance through the PSEC Secretariat;
   (iv) Direction from the PSEC Secretariat to employers’ associations, employers and unions of the percentage allowable General Wage Increase, if any, for each bargaining unit or group with authorization to employers to implement the Economic Growth Dividend.
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(v) Payment will be made concurrent with the General Wage Increases on the first pay period after respectively May, 1, 2016, May 1, 2017, May 1, 2018 and May 1, 2019.

Availability of the Economic Stability Dividend

8. The Economic Stability Dividend will be provided for each of the following collective agreement years: 2015/16 (based on 2014 GDP); 2016/17 (based on 2015 GDP); 2017/18 (based on 2016 GDP); and, 2018/19 (based on 2017 GDP).

Allowable Method of Payment of the Economic Stability Dividend

9. Employers must apply the Economic Stability Dividend as a percentage increase only on collective agreements wage rates and for no other purpose or form.
APPENDIX B

Letter of Agreement ("Letter")

Between:

BC Public School Employers Association ("BCPSEA")

And:

The K - 12 Presidents’ Council and Support Staff Unions ("the Unions")

And:

Her Majesty the Queen in Right of the Province of BC as Represented by the Ministry of Education ("the Government")

Re: Employee Support Grant for May/June 2014

1. BCPSEA, the Unions and the Government agree that employees covered by collective agreements between Boards of Education and the Unions may recover wages lost as a result of legal strike activity by the BC Teachers’ Federation ("BCTF") or lockout by BCPSEA during May and June 2014 as set out in this letter.

2. Subject to the terms of this Letter:

(a) Within thirty (30) days of ratification of a new collective agreement by a board of education, the local union and BCPSEA, the board will reimburse each employee covered by that collective agreement between the board and the local union for all scheduled hours that the employee would have worked and for which the employee has not otherwise been paid in May and/or June 2014, but for the labour dispute between BCPSEA and the BCTF.

(b) If the employee disputes a payment received from the board, the union may submit the dispute on the employee’s behalf to a committee comprised of an equal number of representatives appointed by BCPSEA and the Unions.

(c) If the joint committee is unable to resolve the employee’s claim it will submit the dispute to (NAMED ARBITRATOR) who must resolve the dispute within ten (10) days of hearing the differences between the board and the union.
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3. This Letter expires on November 30, 2014 and is of no further force and effect except where a board and union have a collective agreement which has been ratified by both parties no later than November 30, 2014.

Original signed on June 7, 2014 by:

[Original signed by Renzo Del Negro]
Marsolais

BCPSEA

[Original signed by Paige MacFarlane]

Ministry of Education on behalf of Her Majesty in Right of the Province of BC

[Original signed by Marcel]
K-12 Presidents’ Council
Letter of Agreement ("Letter")

Between:

BC Public School Employers Association ("BCPSEA")

And:

The CUPE K - 12 Presidents’ Council and Support Staff Unions ("the Unions")

And:

Her Majesty the Queen in Right of the Province of BC as Represented by the Ministry of Education (the "Government")

Re: Employee Support Grant for after June 30, 2014

1. This Letter establishes a process under which employees covered by collective agreements between Boards of Education and the Unions may be entitled to recover wages lost as a result of legal strike activity by the BC Teachers’ Federation ("BCTF") or lockout by BCPSEA after June 30, 2014.

2. To that end, the parties to this Letter agree that each member of the union employed as of the date of ratification of a collective agreement between a board and local unions or who retired prior to September 30, 2014 may receive payment pursuant to the terms of this Letter.

3. Within thirty (30) days of the conclusion of the current dispute between BCPSEA and the BCTF, boards will reimburse each employee covered by a collective agreement between the board and a local union for all scheduled hours that the employee would have worked and for which the employee has not otherwise been paid after June 30, 2014 but for the labour dispute between BCPSEA and the BCTF.

4. If the employee disputes a payment received from the board, the union may submit the dispute on the employee’s behalf to a committee comprised of an equal number of representatives appointed by BCPSEA and the Unions.

5. If the joint committee is unable to resolve the employee’s claim it will submit the dispute to (NAMED ARBITRATOR) who must resolve the dispute within ten (10) days of hearing the differences between the board and the union.
6. This Letter expires on November 30, 2014 and is of no further force and effect except where a board and a union have a collective agreement which has been ratified by both parties no later than November 30, 2014.

Original signed on June 7, 2014 by:

[Original signed by Renzo Del Negro] [Original signed by Marcel Marsolais]

BCPSEA K-12 Presidents’ Council

[Original signed by Paige MacFarlane]

Ministry of Education on behalf of Her Majesty in Right of the Province of BC
APPENDIX C

Provincial Support Staff Extended Health Benefit Plan

TERMS OF REFERENCE
BETWEEN:
BRITISH COLUMBIA PUBLIC SCHOOL EMPLOYERS’ ASSOCIATION
AND
K-12 PRESIDENTS COUNCIL
Re: Exploration of a Greater Standardization of Benefits Plans

The parties agree to move to an optional standardized provincial extended health benefits plan (standardized plan) which would include the majority of support staff members. To further such change the parties agree to form a working committee with the goal of achieving agreement on a standardized extended health benefits plan.

Terms of Reference:

1. The committee will consist of no more than 4 members of the K-12 Presidents’ Council and no more than 4 members of the BCPSEA bargaining teams. Each party will identify its representatives by June 10th, 2014.

2. The parties agree the committee will utilize the services of Morneau Shepell to assist in the process. Each party shall retain the right to invite a member of its organization to participate in the discussions where that person would bring in valuable expertise.

3. Local unions who decide to join the standardized plan must elect to do so by July 1, 2016 or a later date as mutually agreed by the Parties.

4. Where the local union in a district determines their existing plan has superior benefits and that local union elects not to participate in the standardized plan, the local union shall retain their existing plan.

5. Local unions may choose not to join the standard benefits plan without opting out of the provincial framework agreement.

6. Any measurable savings realized by movement towards a standardized plan will be retained by the PEBT unless a local collective agreement provides otherwise.

7. BCPSEA will provide ongoing annualized funding to the Boards of Education in the amount of $3,000,000 effective September 1, 2017 to facilitate the completion of a standardized plan.
8. Any residual unused funds from the implementation of this standardized plan will be allocated to the job evaluation fund.

9. The parties commit to engaging in intensive discussions with the goal of developing a responsible standardized extended health benefit plan by June 13th, 2014 or a mutually agreed upon day.
APPENDIX D

LETTER OF AGREEMENT

BETWEEN:

BCPSEA

AND

K-12 SUPPORT STAFF UNIONS

AND

HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN IN RIGHT OF THE PROVINCE OF BC AS REPRESENTED BY THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

RE: LEARNING IMPROVEMENT FUND: Support Staff Priorities

WHEREAS:

The Ministry has established and maintains additional funding for the purpose of addressing high priority challenges to student learning arising from the organization of classes within schools in the province; and

The K-12 support staff unions have since 2006 raised concerns in bargaining regarding the issues of unpaid Education Assistant (EA) work, lack of stable EA hours, bell to bell EA scheduling and lack of livable earnings for EAs, and

The Support Staff Education & Adjustment Committee (SSEAC) is a joint committee of K-12 Support Staff Unions and the BC Public School Employers’ Association.

THEREFORE:

The parties hereby agree as follows:

1. Funding for addressing the above matters as it relates to employees covered by this collective agreement between BCPSEA and the K-12 Support Staff Unions will be in the greater amount of $10 million or 20% of any annual amounts established by government in the Learning Improvement Fund.
2. The allocation of the LIF to school districts is established annually by the Ministry of Education and will provide this information to school districts including the portion of the LIF to be allocated to education assistants.

3. In the event of a dispute arising from the interpretation, application or alleged violation of this agreement there will be a meeting of the parties, and failing agreement, the parties will submit the concern to a mutually agreed arbitrator.

4. This letter replaces the letter between the parties signed December 14th, 2011 titled “CLASS ORGANIZATION FUND: Support Staff Priorities”

Original signed on June 7, 2014 by:

[Original signed by Renzo Del Negro] [Original signed by Marcel Marsolais]

________________________________________________________
BCPSEA Support Staff Unions

[Original signed by Paige MacFarlane]

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Ministry of Education