

From the Chair



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Agreement in Committee

The Board of Directors met this afternoon by conference call to discuss the input received from boards of education with respect to the December 7, 2012 Agreement in Committee proposed between BCPSEA and the BC Teachers' Federation. The Board is very appreciative of the responses received and the thoughtfulness of the comments expressed.

Although the provincial parties did agree to a January 9 deadline for ratification, responses from boards reveal a need for further discussion. Further, a limited number of boards provided no view.

It is fortunate that boards will come together at the BCPSEA Annual General Meeting before the end of this month. Given that reality, your Board of Directors believes that further dialogue with boards at the AGM would be constructive.

We would therefore ask that Trustee Representatives be prepared to share the views of their board on the AiC at the AGM; the discussion will be scheduled on the agenda for Saturday, January 26.

To move from an agreed-upon deadline is a serious matter; we take our commitments seriously and are in discussions with the BCTF.

If you have any questions in the meantime, please don't hesitate to contact any member of your [Board of Directors](#) at any time. We look forward to seeing many of you at the AGM.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Melanie Joy", is positioned above the typed name.

Melanie Joy, Chair