

STAFF REP WEEKLY



DATES TO REMEMBER:

Meetings at VESTA Office,
4 PM unless otherwise noted.

June 10

Teacher-Librarian Meeting

June 11

Executive Committee

June 12

BCTF Employment
Insurance Seminar for
TTOCs

June 12

Online Application Help for
Post and Fill, 8 AM--5 PM

June 19

Health & Safety Committee

June 25

Retirement Dinner
Royal Vancouver Yacht
Club

June 26

TTOC BBQ & Swap

*****Please share this information with all VESTA members*****

INTERVIEWS

Thanks to members sitting on interview committees for supporting our colleagues' rights to a fair and equitable Post and Fill process. Our crucial role on the committee is to ensure proper processes: short-listing and filling positions by seniority, questions from the administrator relate only to the position, and to answer any questions applicants may have about your school.

VESTA members *should not ask or formulate questions for interviewees, rank interviewees or otherwise evaluate their colleagues*, as per VESTA policy and the BCTF Code of Ethics.

The Staff Rep's responsibility in the interview process is to advocate for the most senior candidate getting the job because we believe that seniority is the fairest and most equitable way to fill positions.

VESTA GENERAL MEETING/STAFF REP ASSEMBLY

There will be a VESTA General Meeting on Tuesday June 18. The agenda includes the following motions:

From the Aboriginal Committee:

"THAT VESTA endorse the Aboriginal Initiatives Grant Application form submitted by the VESTA Aboriginal Education Committee for two Aboriginal Ed focussed conferences held on PD days in the Fall 2013 and Spring 2014."

From the Executive Committee:

1. "THAT Teacher-Librarians not take on library technician practicum students."
2. "THAT VESTA members no longer participate in school-based L.I.F. discussions."
3. "THAT the number of TTOC Staff Reps be increased from four to ten."

The Staff Rep Assembly will follow immediately, with school concerns as the only agenda item at present.

RESOURCE SWAP MEET/BBQ

Do you have useful teaching resources in good condition you no longer need? Please drop them off to the VESTA office, starting on Wednesday June 19th. Teachers just starting their careers or those looking for materials for new assignments can browse these resources at the TTOC Swap Meet and BBQ on Wednesday June 26, 2013 at the VESTA Office.

ONLINE APPLICATION HELP

Members wanting help and advice when completing online applications in the next two rounds of the Spring Transfer Process can get it at the VESTA Office from 8 AM to 5 PM on the next two Wednesdays: June 12 and June 19. Computers will be made available.

VESTA RETIREMENT DINNER

If any teachers are retiring this year at your school, please forward their names to the VESTA office. Retirees will be invited to attend the dinner honouring their careers, Tuesday June 25 at the Royal Vancouver Yacht Club at Jericho Beach. Please send names by fax 604-873-2652 or email lori@vesta.ca

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