



Stronger Together

2017 April 12

VESTA Weekly

Topics Worth Talking about! Please read and discuss with your colleagues.

Dates to Remember

Meetings at VESTA office 4pm unless otherwise indicated

April 18

Staff Rep Assembly
at Tupper

April 19

Ad Hoc Seismic
Committee

April 20

Aboriginal Education
Committee

Health and Safety
Committee



Chloë McKnight
President
chloe@vesta.ca

Joanne Sutherland
1st Vice President
joanne@vesta.ca

Heather Allison
2nd Vice President
heather@vesta.ca

Jill Barclay
3rd Vice President
jill@vesta.ca

Hollie Williams
AE Sublocal President
hollie@vesta.ca

Office: 604-873-8378

Fax: 604-873-2652

www.vesta.ca

Countdown for Change – 4 weeks to Election Day!

The official campaign period began yesterday. Thanks to all of the teachers who distributed the VESTA flyers last week. We are no longer allowed to hand out any election material to the public. **We would also like to remind teachers that our advice is to not wear partisan buttons endorsing a particular candidate or party at school or at school events where students would be able to see them.**

The action for this week: Attend an all-candidates, PAC or community meeting, and share your photos and discussions with neighbors, colleagues and friends.

You may want to read this interesting article from the *Georgia Straight*, [Martyn Brown: Derailing Campaign Clark](#).

VSBC Budget Survey

Members should have received an email from the VESTA office regarding the VSBC budget survey. VESTA has representatives elected to speak at the committee meetings and provide feedback to the official trustee. If teachers have concerns we recommend that those concerns be brought to the Staff Rep Assembly on Tuesday, April 18.

Curriculum Implementation Day – May 5

Most schools are taking the second Curriculum Implementation Day on May 5. You may want to hold a VESTA meeting in the next few weeks to discuss what that day will look like for your staff. This is a day that is for teachers to explore the revised curriculum and can be used for individual self-directed work or group sessions.

There is new information posted on the Ministry Curriculum website on classroom assessment and reporting. The document is specific to supporting the student self assessment and reporting of the Core Competencies. This may be something that you want to explore.

A reminder that you can access [TeachBC](#) for curriculum-related resources. Some new resources have been recently added addressing French Language Instruction and the core competencies.