



**PEACE WAPITI PUBLIC SCHOOL
DIVISION #76**
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BOARD NEWS & EVENTS
April 5, 2012

Dates to Remember

Thurs. April 26, 2012
Next Regular Board Meeting starts at 10:00 a.m.

COLLABORATION
Peace Wapiti, in collaboration with Grande Prairie Public and Grande Prairie Catholic school divisions, held an Education Day on April 4. Using a world café format, local candidates for the upcoming provincial election had the opportunity to share education platforms with the public.

Bonanza School
Brenda Kutschinski's kindergarten students performed several nursery rhymes for the Board.

The Organizational Meeting for the Peace Wapiti Public School Division No. 76 will be held on Thursday September 13, 2012 at 10:30 a.m. at the Grande Prairie office.

Some of the Board discussions included:

- Teepee Creek School participated in the first provincial Destination Imagination Tournament. Their junior high team earned the opportunity to compete at the Global Destination Imagination Tournament in Knoxville, Tennessee. The Board approved the travel request and agreed to provide some financial support for the team.
- After receiving input through an electronic survey from parents, school councils and other stakeholders, the Board completed its review of policies on [School Councils](#) and [Public Participation at Board Meetings](#) and approved a new policy on [Advertising in Schools](#) . The *Student Transportation Services Policy (EEA)* was updated and *Policy GBEA – Protection of Staff* was reviewed.
- The Board Meeting schedule for 2012/2013 was approved:

Date	Start time	Place
Thursday, August 23, 2012	10:30 AM	Central Office, Grande Prairie
Thursday, September 13, 2012	11:30 AM	Central Office, Grande Prairie
Thursday, October 4, 2012	10:30 AM	Central Office, Grande Prairie
Thursday, November 8, 2012	10:30 AM	Central Office, Grande Prairie
Thursday, November 29, 2012	10:30 AM	Central Office, Grande Prairie
Thursday, December 13, 2012	10:30 AM	Sub Office, Spirit River
Thursday, January 10, 2013	10:30 AM	Central Office, Grande Prairie
Thursday, January 31, 2013	10:30 AM	Central Office, Grande Prairie
Thursday, February 21, 2013	10:30 AM	Central Office, Grande Prairie
Thursday, March 21, 2013	10:30 AM	Central Office, Grande Prairie
Thursday, April 18, 2013	10:30 AM	Sub Office, Spirit River
Thursday, May 9, 2013	10:30 AM	Central Office, Grande Prairie
Thursday, May 30, 2013	10:30 AM	Central Office, Grande Prairie
Thursday, June 20, 2013	10:30 AM	Central Office, Grande Prairie

Learning Together for Success

The First Nations, Metis and Inuit Education Conference, Learning Together for Success, was held on March 29 and 30 in Grande Prairie. Congratulations to Darrel Willier, FNMI education coordinator from Peace Wapiti, for his efforts to bring this conference to Grande Prairie. Over 300 teachers and administrators from Alberta, Saskatchewan, BC and Northwest Territories attended the conference, focused on engaging FNMI parents, families and communities.

Grade 5 students from Hythe Regional School performed O Canada at the Conference. Hythe Regional School has 420 students K-9 including 34 Grade 5 students. The Grade 4-9 students are offered a language option of French or Cree. One Grade 5 student is hearing impaired and as a result, the entire class has also been learning Signed English.

Their version of O Canada highlights the four languages, Cree, French, Signed English and English.

