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TTOC Experience Transfer Deadline

STA YEAR-END SOCIAL

Click here for a 60-second survey!

[CLICK HERE](#)

Attention TTOCs! Information Needed

If you are a TTOC and have been in a situation when the assignment that you had accepted through the Dispatch got changed to a different assignment once you reported to work, please, contact

JOANNA CERAZY

Announcing the results of our STA Election!

The biggest meeting of the STA year took place May 23rd at the Bombay Hall, which was attended by about 230 teachers. We are pleased to announce the results of the elections. Your Executive Committee for 2018-19 will be:

President: Matt Westphal

1st Vice-President: Julia MacRae

2nd Vice-President: Jatinder Bir

Grievance Officers: Joanna Cerazy and Mark Keelan

Health & Safety Grievance Officer: Sue Heuman

Professional Support Services Officer: Christy Weigel

Professional Development Officer: June James

Local Representatives: Kevin Amboe, Violette Baillargeon, Laura Barker,
Gioia Breda, Angela Marcakis, Annie Ohana

Secretary-Treasurer: Pauline Veto

TTOC Representative: Brett Salary

Member-at-Large (Aboriginal): Jacqueline King

Members-at-Large: Erin Coleman, Anne McNamee, Kelli O'Malley

Thank you to all candidates who ran for positions, and to all the members who attended!

Winners of the International Conference Draw (\$2500) were Rick Kumar, Andrea Leeks, Cara Carey, Kelly Janda and the Pro-D Draw (\$250 + PD day) was won by Brett Salary.

We ran out of time to elect your Resolutions Committee for next year, and we will do so at our general meeting on **June 13th**. All are welcome to attend at Eaglequest. If you are interested in putting your name forward please feel welcome to do so.

Reporting Grievance

In the fall of 2016 the STA filed grievances about many issues related to the use of FreshGrade and the CSL Template. Some of the issues are being heard at arbitration this week, but last week the STA and the School District reached an agreement on the professional autonomy aspects of the grievance. The agreement reinforces the STA's position that it is within an individual teacher's professional rights to choose which reporting tool to use. It is inappropriate for principals to require teachers to use one tool or the other. The agreement also prevents the School District from making reference in job postings to one or the other reporting tool. The agreement states that a teacher's preference for one reporting tool or the other cannot be used to determine a teacher's suitability when awarding positions in the transfer rounds.

As we go through the Round 2 transfer process in the next few days, please be aware that your choice of reporting tool cannot be used as a basis for awarding positions or for finding a less senior candidate more suitable. Please contact the STA office if you have any questions or any concerns about whether this agreement is being followed at a particular school.



STA'S ABORIGINAL EDUCATION
COMMITTEE PRESENTS ITS

3RD ANNUAL NATIONAL INDIGENOUS DAY CELEBRATION

**TRADITIONAL FOOD, TEACHINGS,
PERFORMANCES, MUSIC,
& GIVEAWAYS**



To register, go to:

<https://nationalindigenousday-june2018.eventbrite.ca>

For more information, contact Carolyn
at sousa_c@surreyschools.ca

**DATE: JUNE 20, 2018
TIME: 3:30 PM - 7:30 PM
PLACE: REC, ROOM 304**

This is a scent free event!

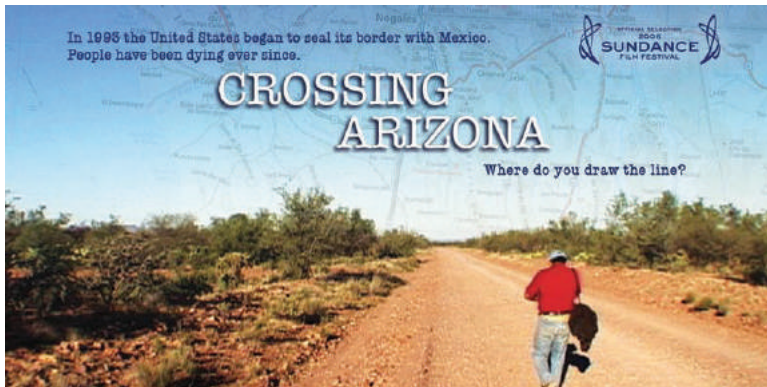
Special General Meeting: June 13, 2018

All Surrey teachers are invited to attend the Special General Meeting on **June 13, 2018** at Eaglequest Golf Centre from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm and participate in the role our local plays in the process of setting the provincial bargaining objectives. This meeting is very important as we need your input on Bargaining as we ramp up for negotiations. We hope to see many of you there!

The General Meeting will be followed by our year-end STARA meeting and dinner.

LAC Film Night

The STA Labour Affairs Committee is pleased to present another of our popular Film Nights! Please join us May 31, 2018 at 3:30 p.m. at Queen Elizabeth portable 407 for film, food, and engaging conversations with colleagues. A Mexican dinner will be served, including vegetarian options. This is a free event for STA members! Cost for guests is \$15. Everyone is welcome to attend, but **PRE-REGISTRATION** is required. We will be showing *Crossing Arizona*. [WATCH THE TRAILER!](#)



Crossing Arizona is an up-to-the-moment look at the hotly debated issues of illegal immigration and border security on the US/Mexico border. With Americans on all sides of the issue demanding change and Congress embroiled in a knock-down drag-out policy battle over how to move forward, this feature documentary tells the story of how we got to where we are today.

STA Convention Committee 2019

As you now know, we changed the structure of the May 4, 2018 STA Convention Day, so that we had four sites: Aboriginal, Primary, Intermediate, and Secondary. For next year's convention, we would like to continue with the four sites and would like to form Convention sub-committees for each site. Since the STA Convention is an event put on by teachers for teachers, creating these sub-committees (each with their own budget) would allow teachers in these particular areas to come together to plan meaningful convention experiences for their colleagues. If you are interested in joining one of these sub-committees, contact Professional Development Officer, **JUNE JAMES** and let her know if you are interested in joining the Aboriginal, Primary, Intermediate, or Secondary sub-committee.

New TTOCs Conference and BCTF Induction Ceremony on Wednesday, June 20th

Where: STA Office (9030 King George Blvd)

When: 8:30 am to 2:45 pm

Please register through Eventbrite: [HTTPS://NEWTTOCONFERENCE-JUNE2018.EVENTBRITE.CA](https://newttoconference-june2018.eventbrite.ca)

LOA information is as follows:

If you would normally TTOC on this day, please submit a paper LOA to Pete Nuij at the District Office. Use Article G. 7 – "TTOCs conducting union business" (every school office should have paper LOA forms available)

Details: STA New TTOCs Conference

Cost of TTOC to be borne by: STA

Attention: Matt Westphal

PRAXIS: Art from the Surrey Art Teachers Association

Art teachers are artists themselves and this is a rare opportunity for you to experience an entire exhibit of your colleagues' works! There are a wide variety of pieces from photographs to paintings & sculptures and much more! Read the wonderful [DESCRIPTION OF THE EXHIBITION](#) online. This would be a wonderful staff outing! Grab some friends and take in some local culture! The exhibit is running from May 11 - August 18 at the Surrey Art Gallery.

Joke of the Week



**What do you call a bagel with wings?
A plane bagel! (Plain)**

Thanks to Jen M. for submitting her daughter's joke!

If you have a short, clean, (but not necessarily education-related) joke, please email it to [KELLY](#).

If your joke is drawn for publication, you will be entered into the monthly prize draw for a **\$25 Indigo gift certificate**.

CONTACT US!

Reach us by phone at **604-594-5353** or via [EMAIL](#).

Please do not hesitate to call the STA office whenever you have a question or concern. We cannot emphasize enough the importance of getting advice from your Union on any employment related issue, even if it's only to confirm information you've received from another source.