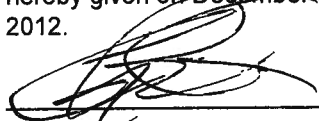


THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF ROSSLAND
AGENDA – SPECIAL MEETING

Friday, January 4, 2013
9:00 AM
Council Chambers City Hall

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>SUBJECT MATTER</u>	<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>
1 <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>	Call to Order	Call Meeting to Order
2 <u>PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD</u>		
3 <u>SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA</u>	January 4, 2013 Agenda	Adopt Agenda
4 <u>REQUESTS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE</u>		
a) Neighbourhood of Learning Committee	Request for \$5,000 of the NoL Budget request for 2013 prior to adoption of the City budget and financial plan.	THAT Council approve the granting of \$5,000 to the Neighbourhood of Learning Committee prior to the adoption of the financial plan and 2013 budget.
5 <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>		

Notice of the Special Meeting of Council, January 4, 2013, is hereby given on December 31, 2012.



Mayor

Corporate Officer

Mayor and Council
City of Rossland
PO Box 1179
Rossland, BC
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December 19, 2012

Dear Mayor and Council,

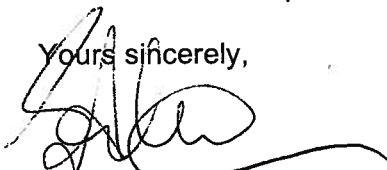
As you know, School District No. 20 will be making a critical decision regarding Rossland School configurations in February 2013. The configurations under consideration include:

- RSS closed; MacLean grades K-7; grades 8-12 at JL Crowe;
- RSS grades K-9; MacLean closed; grades 10-12 at JL Crowe and
- RSS grades K-12; MacLean closed.

This decision could significantly affect the economy and sustainability of Rossland. The Neighbourhood of Learning (NOL) Committee has been committed to advocating for quality K-12 education in Rossland for the past three years and greatly appreciates the support it has received from the City of Rossland.

The School District process involves important events that will occur in January and February 2013. It is critical that the opinions of Rossland residents are heard at these events and that Rossland residents receive the required information to give their considered input. The NOL Committee's 2012 budget has been completely expended. We are aware that a City of Rossland final budget may not be completed until February or March 2013. Given the importance of the School District decision to Rossland families and the School District's process dates, the NOL Committee would like to request that Council consider granting the NOL Committee \$5000 of its 2013 budget request immediately so that the Committee may hire a new coordinator (Aerin Guy) and ensure that Rossland residents are fully prepared to participate in the School District process.

Yours sincerely,



Shelley Ackerman
On behalf of
The Neighbourhood of Learning Committee