

# South Okanagan Similkameen Teachers' Union



## Local News

- Reductions in assignment or general leaves must be submitted by the end of Tuesday March 31<sup>st</sup> 2026
- Staffing FTE will be given to schools soon
- Postings will start by the end of the month

## BCTF Annual General Mtg News

- BCTF Fee remains the same @ 1.69%
- SIP Fee remains to 2.02% of your salary (teachers are reimbursed 2% for this)
- BCTF grant structure under review
- BCTF President and VPs elected again @ AGM
  - Carole Gordon Pres.
  - Robin Tosczak 1<sup>st</sup> VP
  - Winona Waldron 2<sup>nd</sup> VP
  - Some new faces for members at large



If you are planning to retire, please let the employer know before the end of May as that position will be posted as a continuing position. (declining enrollment aside)

However, please know that you can submit your retirement intention at any time during the summer, until the start of August.

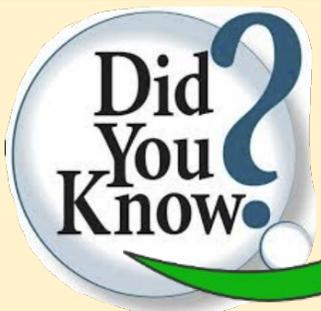
## TTOC News



TTOC Tiered Callout has limited the number of days for some TTOCs who are not in tier 1. But there have been far fewer callouts this year compared to past years. Preferential callouts should not happen unless these are for specialty areas like Food or Shop; this has been discussed with the Superintendent.

## Posting or Assignment Questions?

- Admin should have discussed your preferences for assignments for next year. Postings will start soon.
- If you are looking for more FTE, you must apply to the posting.**
- Continuing teachers may apply for temporary positions but there are conditions. Email me your questions!



## SOSTU President Nominations Open for Next Year

- **SOSTU must elect its president in April before the remaining executive positions are filled, as per our constitution**
- If interested, a nomination form for the position of president is attached and must be submitted to [sostu@telus.net](mailto:sostu@telus.net) by Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026
- **This is the 1<sup>st</sup> call for nominations for the position of SOSTU President. There will be 3 calls (emails) for nominations during the next 2 weeks. It is also posted on the website for this time: March 30<sup>th</sup> – April 15<sup>th</sup>**
- Nominations will close at the end of the day on Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026
- If necessary, an election would follow and be conducted before April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026
- I will let my name stand for SOSTU President for next year (2026-2027)

\* Other SOSTU positions will be determined by / at May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2026 AGM