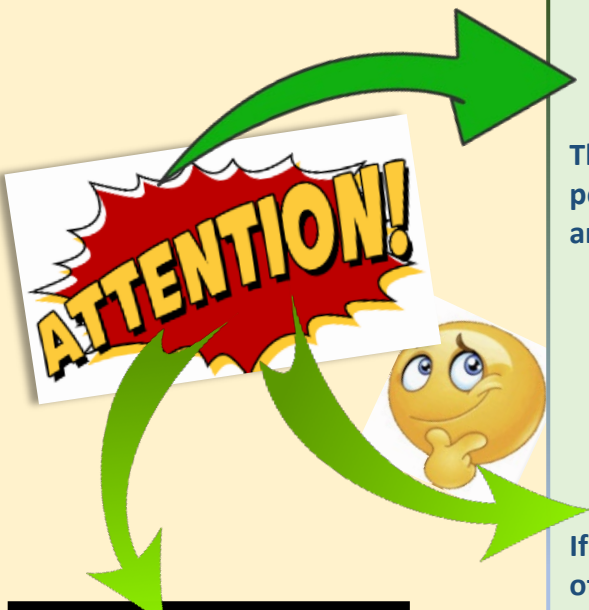
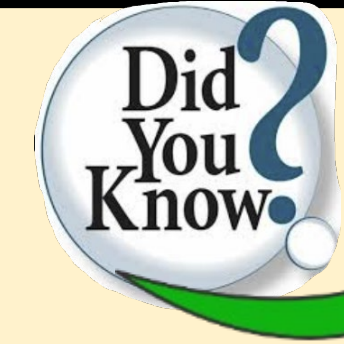


South Okanagan Similkameen Teachers' Union



Elementary Spaces survey is ready to be sent on Monday. Please check your email and respond to the survey. Initial meetings have been had with Marcus and Naryn and 'street data' will be shared with them.

Please complete.



Attention

Virtual BCTF Pension Seminar via Zoom Thursday, May 1, 2025, from 4:00–5:15 p.m.

This seminar is intended to help members learn about how their pension plan works, factors to consider when planning for retirement, and their pension options.

The seminar will cover topics such as:

- how pension is calculated
- eligibility for unreduced pension
- pension options
- the retirement application process
- post-retirement considerations.

If you are planning to attend, please register at the link at the bottom of the newsletter:

After registering, you will receive an automatic confirmation email with the Zoom link and details. If you have any additional questions, please contact jmawhinney@bctf.ca



TTOC Appreciation Week / May 5 – 9

The BCTF has designated the first week in May to be TTOC Appreciation Week. This year we will celebrate our SOSTU TTOCs by inviting them to lunch. TTOCs will meet at the Firehall Bistro on April 30th at 1:00 pm. Invitations have been sent out but just in case you missed yours, you can RSVP to natasha.schroeter@gmail.com

Since not everyone can attend, staff reps will be handing out thank-you cards containing a lottery ticket to TTOCs at their respective schools during the week of May 5-9.

Provincial Bargaining has begun; both parties exchanged packages. Update to members coming next week.



SOSTU President for next year, Ernie Millward, by acclamation

SOSTU AGM (Annual General Meeting) will be on Thursday, May 15 @ 4:00 p.m.

- Set the yearly SOSTU local fee
- Approve the annual operating budget
- Elect all Chair positions: VP/LR, Pro-D, H&S, Barg, Ing Ed, SJ, TTOC, Treasurer, Secretary
- Update on all SOSTU accounts / financial position

Notice of Motion: Proposed SOSTU Constitutional Changes (require 2 weeks notice)

Addition of G) to By-Law 8: Meetings

G) The President and / or Treasure will provide a financial report to the AGM and GMs, of both the balance and health of the Society and Pro-D accounts.

Proposed New By-Law 15: Strike Pay

The rate of strike pay will be determined by a GM/AGM. Strike pay policies will be outlined in SOSTU Policies and Procedures.