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To: BCLTA Liaisons and Board Chairs

Ministry of Education Consultations Around the Province

Over the next few weeks the Ministry of Education staff are holding consultations around the province. These consultations are intended to engage education and community leaders in discussions about the expanded mandate for the Ministry and education. As you know, after the provincial election in May, responsibility for literacy, early learning and libraries was added to the Ministry of Education portfolio.

Public Library Services Branch has been fully briefed on this and has encouraged the organizers to contact the public library at all relevant locations. The key consultants are Rick Davis, Julie MacRae, Sherri Mohoruk and Gary Graf. In addition, Public Library Services Branch has recently sent a memo to all Library Directors in BC to inform them of these meetings and to encourage them to attend these important sessions when invited. Trustees should also be prepared to participate and we would encourage you to speak with your Library Director or Chief Librarian about the meetings planned in your area.

BCLTA continues to be in direct ongoing contact with the Public Library Services Branch and will update trustees as this process unfolds. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,
Lawrence Lavender
President - BC Library Trustees' Association

Have you Heard?