

School District No. 67 (Okanagan Skaha)  
**PRESENTATIONS AT THE BOARD MEETING**



**September 14, 2009**

**SUMMER SCHOOL 2009**

Summer School Principal Lisa Edwards submitted a report to the board as well as a visual presentation on the 2009 Summer School program. This program was held on July 6 to 17 at KVR Middle School with close to 300 students attending. Many of the same programs for the Kindergarten to grade 11 students were similar to last year with the addition of one named "Newspapers for Kids". This program allowed kids to produce their own newspapers. Collaboration from primary teachers for the elementary and middle students involved the students with a Robert Munsch theme.

Lisa Edwards thanked everyone who was involved in organizing the program as it was put together quite quickly. Suggestions and recommendations for next year included a suggestion that an elementary school be used for primary/intermediate students. Following a number of questions and comments from trustees, Chairman Little thanked Lisa Edwards for attending and for all her hard work with summer school.



Summer School - Lisa Edwards

## LITERACY NOW COMMUNITY PROGRAM

Naomi Ludington, Literacy Now Coordinator provided an update on the various activities the program has to offer. Naomi deals with all types of service provider groups in the region as well as the school district. Their literacy plan is based around the entire community which includes workplace, health and family literacy. From babies to seniors their focus is to educate the public as to what they can accomplish in the way of literacy. A literacy directory has been printed (2000 copies) to provide as much information on what is available throughout the community. Naomi advised she has attended and spoken at festivals, children's festivals, health care providers and local businesses. Various advertising has been placed in newspapers, newsletters as well as many networking means. Many sub-committees are working with Naomi to assist with suggestions, recommendations and concepts to raise awareness that supports literacy throughout the Similkameen. She discussed plans: Family Literacy Day and an Adult Spelling Bee Contest as two examples of events coming up. Several questions and comments were put forward by trustees. Chairman Little thanked Naomi Ludington for attending and providing the thoughtful presentation.



Naomi Ludington, Literacy Now Coordinator