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Mandart Chan (to Everyone): 6:28 PM: Hello everyone!

Mandart Chan (to Everyone): 6:32 PM: "Agenda"

Mandart Chan (to Everyone): 6:32 PM: - Territorial Acknowledgement

- Welcome, Introductions

- Discussion with Michelle & Jennifer

- Round Table / Q & A

**Mandart Chan (to Janet Wade)**: 6:34 PM: Can I start off the round table with you and your experience with your admin?

Janet Wade (to Everyone): 6:35 PM: Yes... but please don't mention names...

Janet Wade (Private): 6:36 PM: Shoot! \*face palm\*

Janet Wade (to Everyone): 6:36 PM: Sorry everyone! Wrong chat window.

**Catherine Raap (to Everyone)**: 6:41 PM: Catherine Raap, Burnaby (42), Morley Elementary K-7 music

**Dean Markel (to Everyone)**: 6:41 PM: Hi there: Dean Markel, St. George's School, Vancouver (Independent)

**Ferdinand (to Everyone)**: 6:41 PM: Ferdinand Bredenholler, Itinerant Band 7 Surrey School District

**Sean Quicke (to Everyone)**: 6:41 PM: Sean Quicke - Pacific Christian School in Victoria. I teach 3-7 music & 6-12 bands

Jesse Dramer (to Everyone): 6:41 PM: Hello,

Jodi Dahle (to Everyone): 6:41 PM: I am an elementary music specialist in School District 42 (Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows)

**Fiona Robertson** (to Everyone): 6:41 PM: Hi , I'm Fiona Robertson. I teach Arts Education in Terrace BC at Ecole Mountainview.

**Rebecca (to Everyone)**: 6:41 PM: Hi! Rebecca Visser from Burnaby, Independent school, primary music.

User (to Everyone): 6:41 PM: Karen Lee, ubc

Susan Kiddie (to Everyone): 6:41 PM: Hi I'm Susan Kiddie, I teach K-5

Music in Coquitlam School District.

**jennifer riley (to Everyone)**: 6:41 PM: Jen Riley- Mark R Isfeld Secondary and SD71 fine arts lead teacher

**Katia Georgeson (to Everyone)**: 6:41 PM: Hi everyone! I'm Katia Georgeson and I am the new Band teacher at Skeena Middle School in Coast Mountains School District!

**KF (to Everyone)**: 6:41 PM: Kathy Fester, SD 43 - CMTA LSA board member - high school currently

**Susan Seneshen (to Everyone)**: 6:42 PM: Hi, I'm Susan. I teach K-7 in SD8 at Adam Roberton Elementary.

**Angela Lundin (to Everyone)**: 6:42 PM: Angie Lundin - Roy Stibbs Elementary K-5 Coquitlam, Coquitlam Music Teachers Association Executive

**Rebecca Norman (to Everyone)**: 6:42 PM: Rebecca Norman, SD36 (Surrey), Sullivan Heights Secondary

**Karen Whyte (Private)**: 6:42 PM: Karen Whyte - Strings in SD#61 (Greater Victoria) - at 5 schools - Mt. Douglas Secondary, Colquitz MS, Cloverdale Traditional School, Ecole Marigold and Strawberry Vale Elementary.

Jesse Dramer (to Everyone): 6:42 PM: Jesse Dramer. SD43 Elementary music teacher. (Currently laid off but optimistic about reinstatement) Patti Radies (to Everyone): 6:42 PM: Patti Radies Amy Woodland Elem. Cranbrook SD5 K-6 music/band

**Mandart Chan (to Everyone)**: 6:42 PM: How does your district handle scheduling/timetabling of music classes from K-12?

**Angela Lundin (to Everyone)**: 6:44 PM: At the elementary level (SD43), scheduling varies from school to school

**Mandart Chan (to Everyone)**: 6:46 PM: Is your district changing their scheduling/timetabling, as a whole, because of COVID-19?

**Susan Kiddie (to Everyone)**: 6:46 PM: SD43 K-5 Music is done as preps and often Library the other prep subject.

**Mandart Chan (to Everyone)**: 6:53 PM: How would you help/support a teacher, in your district, where they are having issues with their admin in

regards to changing schedules/timetables?

**Jodi Dahle (to Everyone)**: 6:55 PM: Question: In our district all music teachers in June were redeployed to staff the ESW programs and thier programs were cancelled. This is likely the same situation for next year if we are not back to regular schooling. I have tried to set up a meeting with our Assistant superintendant but am having no luck

**Angela Lundin (to Everyone)**: 6:56 PM: Worried about being directed to teach student services 100% again in the fall...same as Jodi

**Fiona Robertson** (to Everyone): 6:56 PM: To answer the question about how much prep happens in Terrace, I can answer that for K - 6. Teachers are provided with 110 minutes per week and all of it is Arts Education. Not sure if this will be the same moving forward in September.

**Angela Lundin (Private)**: 6:57 PM: Hi Mandart - SD43 is in the same boat. Will it be emergency teaching in fall. Just want to make sure we are on your list;)

**KF (to Everyone)**: 6:58 PM: That's great to know Mandart. Thank you **Fiona Robertson (to Everyone)**: 6:59 PM: Glad to hear that Teri Mooring is in support of the Arts Education programs!

**Mandart Chan (to Angela Lundin)**: 6:59 PM: Thank you! Can you email me when it happens? bcmusiced@gmail.com

**Angela Lundin (Private)**: 7:00 PM: Yes. Thank you. I will touch base in the fall should we be redeployed again.

Mandart Chan (to Everyone): 7:01 PM: Round table questions; Mandart Chan (to Everyone): 7:01 PM: - how is your admin handling COVID-19/Return to School for Fall 2020?

- what are your schedule/timetable concerns that you have at the moment?

- what's your approach with admin when it comes to conversations like this?

**Tanya DeVido (to Everyone)**: 7:04 PM: Ours has requested teachers to volunteer for a "planning team" in late August.

Tanya DeVido (to Everyone): 7:04 PM: (We are elementary)

Jesse Dramer (to Everyone): 7:04 PM: My admin is being honest that he does not know what will happen in fall. He is asking for us to wait until late August to attempt any scheduling or planning

Jesse Dramer (to Everyone): 7:04 PM: elementary

**Susan Seneshen (to Everyone)**: 7:05 PM: My admin has been open to me creating my own time-table as I have the best perspective in what might work. During June I joked with my students that I had a new job as a "traveling musician" traveling from room to room. This meant that I put together a cart of each floor of the school. It was a good learning opportunity for me.

**Angela Lundin (Private)**: 7:05 PM: Our admin is also honest in saying she simply doesn't know. They will have an admin meeting late August where they will be given direction by the district (SD43 - Coquitlam) **Fiona Robertson (to Everyone)**: 7:06 PM: Could someone explain the capernican(spelling?) model?

**Susan Seneshen (to Everyone)**: 7:06 PM: What is the copericum model? **Angela Lundin (to Everyone)**: 7:06 PM: Our admin is also honest in saying she simply doesn't know. They will have an admin meeting late August where they will be given direction by the district (SD43 -Coquitlam) I really don't want to do music on a cart!

**KF (to Everyone)**: 7:06 PM: I have a question.

Susan Seneshen (to Everyone): 7:06 PM: How is the word spelled? Susan Seneshen (to Everyone): 7:07 PM: Quarterium Model? Fiona Robertson (to Everyone): 7:07 PM: This capernican model sounds like it is only for Middle school/high school. Is that right? Mandart Chan (to Everyone): 7:07 PM: copernican Janet Wade (Private): 7:10 PM: KF has a question Mandart Chan (to Everyone): 7:11 PM: Speakers List - KF Angela Lundin (to Everyone): 7:11 PM: I think mapping out is exactly what we will have to do.

KF (to Everyone): 7:11 PM: KF is Kathy Fester

Mandart Chan (to Everyone): 7:11 PM: Speakers List - Kathy Fester Tanya DeVido (to Everyone): 7:12 PM: I am most concerned about

having 600 students through my room, and myself being in the room with 600 students each week (exposure)... plus SEA's & teachers. There is no way that I can prepare, clean & store 600 buckets.

**Jesse Dramer (to Everyone)**: 7:12 PM: Jesse Dramer has something to say

**Jodi Dahle (to Everyone)**: 7:13 PM: I have concerns about the number of students we see which will increase our risk of exposure. I also have concerns about having tine to clean.

Mandart Chan (to Everyone): 7:13 PM: Speakers List - Tanya DeVido, Jesse Dramer, Jodi Dahle

Sean Quicke (to Everyone): 7:14 PM: me too please

**Angela Lundin (to Everyone)**: 7:14 PM: It's a bit of a double edgedsword, Jodi...we want to teach music and we're afraid of exposure since we see every child in the school. It's a dilemma for sure

**Michelle (to Everyone)**: 7:14 PM: Some of our teachers are opting for the Denise style individual kits mainly for K/1/2. Some are making over summer and some are planning to have student helpers assist in the Fall. **Mandart Chan (to Everyone)**: 7:14 PM: Speakers List - Tanya DeVido, Jesse Dramer, Jodi Dahle, Sean Quicke

**Rebecca (to Everyone)**: 7:14 PM: I have the same concern as Jodi. I see over 300 students in my room each week which increases my exposure dramatically. I wonder how I can teach with a mask and how effective that would be.

**Jodi Dahle (to Everyone)**: 7:15 PM: I don't need to speak as I think my concerns are the same as other speakers

**Mandart Chan (to Everyone)**: 7:16 PM: Speakers List - Tanya DeVido, Jesse Dramer, Sean Quicke

**KF (to Everyone)**: 7:16 PM: The documents are absolutely fabulous! Do we share them with our admin and School Boards now

**Michelle (to Everyone)**: 7:17 PM: To Jodi's concern over our health and safety with exposure: this was the determining factor for us NOT having our music teachers travel into rooms. At first we were told Music teachers had to travel but there is a great argument for the added risk

of going into so many spaces vs focusing on the cleaning in your own room. We put our kiddos on chairs and cleaned them. I haven't found any info on carpet safety just yet but we chose to avoid it.

**KF (to Everyone)**: 7:17 PM: I think I'm going to send the documents to them directly - good summer reading and thoughts to open dialogue. **Rebecca Norman (to Everyone)**: 7:18 PM: Unfortunately, my school has voted to move to the quarter system. Quite a few schools in Surrey have done the same. I advocated for teaching concert band outside of the timetable, and my admin was on board; however, the final schedule is decided at the ministry/district level, and I may be forced to teach all my courses via the quarter system.

Mandart Chan (to Everyone): 7:18 PM: Rebecca - which district is this? Rebecca Norman (to Everyone): 7:18 PM: SD36, Surrey

**jennifer riley (to Everyone)**: 7:19 PM: Our school was going to run linear arts courses even in a quarter system.

**KF (to Everyone)**: 7:19 PM: Thanks Janet. Confirming my thoughts. **Rebecca (to Everyone)**: 7:19 PM: I teach at John Knox Christian School (Independent) in Burnaby

Janet Wade (to Everyone): 7:19 PM: You're so welcome, Kathy! Angela Lundin (to Everyone): 7:20 PM: What is seen as the advantage of the quarter system?

**Janet Wade (to Everyone)**: 7:20 PM: Yes - If your schools are talking quarters, push for linear arts classes!

**Janet Wade (to Everyone)**: 7:21 PM: Angela - it gives students less to focus on while doing remote learning or a hybird learning system. Only two classes at a time vs 4 or 8.

Janet Wade (to Everyone): 7:21 PM: It's not ideal for anyone - arts, academics, sports, skills...

**Angela Lundin (to Everyone)**: 7:21 PM: Got it. Thank you. That sound tough on the students!

Mandart Chan (to Everyone): 7:22 PM: Speakers List - Jesse Dramer, Sean Quicke

**KF (to Everyone)**: 7:23 PM: Small in person class with online learning at

the same time - is the basic model for my high school. creative scheduling is a given.

Jodi Dahle (to Everyone): 7:23 PM: I am planning on trying to set up some sort of personal kit for students. It might mean having students making their own instruments because we will not have a budget for that. It would eliminate the need for cleaning since the students will not be sharing at all.

KF (to Everyone): 7:23 PM: Awesome!

Mandart Chan (to Everyone): 7:23 PM:

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/education/administration/kindergart en-to-grade-12/safe-caring-orderly/k-12-education-restart-plan.pdf

**Fiona Robertson** (to Everyone): 7:25 PM: We are in stage 2 now. Is the fall going to be stage 3 or is that yet to be determined?

**Angela Lundin (to Everyone)**: 7:26 PM: I would love to know how to make mallets!

**Fiona Robertson** (to Everyone): 7:26 PM: Great idea on the mallet making!

Angela Lundin (to Everyone): 7:26 PM: Great suggestion, Jesse.

Michelle (to Everyone): 7:26 PM: Mandart I have a question

Mandart Chan (to Everyone): 7:26 PM: Speakers List - Michelle Reed Mandart Chan (to Everyone): 7:27 PM:

http://www.bcmusiced.ca/music-resource-room

**Susan Kiddie (to Everyone)**: 7:30 PM: Bamboo mallots are easy to clean too.

**Fiona Robertson** (to Everyone): 7:30 PM: Jesse: do you have a website to recommend for mallet making?

Mandart Chan (to Everyone): 7:31 PM:

https://www.pinterest.ca/pin/3659243420205574/

**Jesse Dramer (to Everyone)**: 7:31 PM: My kids were sitting on my carpets. My admin wasn't concerned.

**jennifer riley (to Everyone)**: 7:32 PM: We are not removing carpet. **Jesse Dramer (to Everyone)**: 7:32 PM: I don't have a mallet making idea but it looks like Mandart hooked us up! Janet Wade (to Everyone): 7:32 PM: Sean - I would definitely make sure that you constantly remind your admin at all the schools you teach in that they have to take your schedules into consideration because you're between schools. They're the ones that will likely need to handle that. I'm not sure that the ministry will give much direction because it's such a local and specific issue. They might, though. I'm not sure.

**Susan Kiddie (to Everyone)**: 7:32 PM: My carpet is permanent carpet. I can use chairs and intend to use chairs. No instructions on that yet.

**Catherine Raap (to Everyone)**: 7:35 PM: re: carpet, In Burnaby my colleague was told from health and safety that Covid doesn't like to hang around on synthetic carpet (apparently). So only regular vacuuming is required. Not sure if vacuuming will be done between groups?

**jennifer riley (to Everyone)**: 7:35 PM: Some elementary teachers have bought velcro circular patched to put on the floor. Kids sit on same circle each class.

**Rebecca Norman (to Everyone)**: 7:36 PM: For me, I had to accept that the majority of staff wanted the quarter system. Drama and Music came together to find something that worked outside of the schedule.

**Rebecca Norman (to Everyone)**: 7:37 PM: But I am concerned that our creative solution will be denied at the district level.

**KF (to Everyone)**: 7:38 PM: Yes. Have a solution in mind for open dialogue.

KF (to Everyone): 7:39 PM: Nicely put Janet.

**Fiona Robertson** (to Everyone): 7:39 PM: Good idea, Janet. Solution based is always a better approach.

**KF (to Everyone)**: 7:39 PM: I'm married to an admim - they are very, very, very stressed.

**Michelle (to Everyone)**: 7:40 PM: One solution I found was to combine PE and Musical theatre (he was worried about losing time with his kids so we discussed how we could cover some of the fitness via the dance in MT and with this pairing I gained access to the gym space). This is if we find ourselves in a partial time schedule

Angela Lundin (to Everyone): 7:41 PM: My biggest concern is losing

programs due to fear. We've lost 3 music programs at this point for the next school year. I agree, dialogue is necessary with our admin.

**Mandart Chan (to Everyone)**: 7:41 PM: Angela - which district are you in?

Angela Lundin (to Everyone): 7:41 PM: 43

**Mandart Chan (to Angela Lundin)**: 7:42 PM: Can you email me about what's going on in SD43?

**Susan Seneshen (to Everyone)**: 7:42 PM: My district is implementing a band program at the high school after 2 years of not having a high school music program.

**Susan Kiddie (to Everyone)**: 7:42 PM: In SD43 there are some Music programs (elementary Music preps) being replaced by Technology preps. **Susan Seneshen (to Everyone)**: 7:43 PM: That is on the schedule for next year.

**Patti Radies (to Everyone)**: 7:43 PM: In my district, 5 out of 10 schools will have a new change in admin. Any suggestion how to approach them when they don't take over their new school until August.

**Angela Lundin (Private)**: 7:43 PM: Yes. I brought it up briefly during the meeting last Monday but I will send you details. I want to make sure it doesn't turn into a trend...technology instead of music.

**Rebecca Norman (to Everyone)**: 7:43 PM: Thank you, Janet! **KF (to Everyone)**: 7:43 PM: Great question Patti.

Mandart Chan (to Angela Lundin): 7:44 PM: Speakers list - Patti Michelle (to Everyone): 7:44 PM: Hi Patti, do you know who the new admin are at this point?

Mandart Chan (to Everyone): 7:44 PM: Speakers List - Patti Radies Angela Lundin (Private): 7:44 PM: There's a bit more to what Susan is saying. I will email you.

Mandart Chan (to Angela Lundin): 7:44 PM: Thank you.

**Susan Seneshen (to Everyone)**: 7:47 PM: Thank you for this conversation. Great to be part of it. Thanks.

**Karen Whyte (to Everyone)**: 7:49 PM: Thank you to Mandart and all of you! I need to sign off. Karen Whyte

**KF (to Everyone)**: 7:51 PM: Thanks so much for the great discussion and guideances. It's been very helpful.

**KF (to Everyone)**: 7:51 PM: You're all doing an amazing work - BRAVO!!!!!

**KF (to Everyone)**: 7:52 PM: The Music Resource Room is fabulous! **Susan Kiddie (to Everyone)**: 7:52 PM: Thank you Mandart and everyone. I loved all the great great ideas and collaboration!!

**Sean Quicke (to Everyone)**: 7:52 PM: Thanks all very much for this discussion. Thanks especially to leaders like Mandart, Janet, Michelle, and Jen.

**Angela Lundin (to Everyone)**: 7:52 PM: Love this online resource! Yay! Thank you!

**Katia Georgeson (to Everyone)**: 7:53 PM: That is a great thing to know about as a first year teacher coming into BC music ed and all of this, and from another province!

**Rebecca Norman (to Everyone)**: 7:53 PM: Thank you all so much! **Janet Wade (to Everyone)**: 7:53 PM: Patti - I also wanted to say... ask your current admin to have a conversation with the new admin about involving you in conversations as soon as they start talking about the next school year.

Jodi Dahle (to Everyone): 7:53 PM: Thank you everyone!

Patti Radies (to Everyone): 7:54 PM: Thanks, Janet

Angela Lundin (to Everyone): 7:54 PM: Just a HUGE thank you!
KF (to Everyone): 7:54 PM: Thanks all . Happy Canada Day everyone!
Janet Wade (to Everyone): 7:54 PM: Thanks everyone! Happy Canada Day!

**domenic (to Everyone)**: 7:55 PM: Thank you All!!!

**Rebecca (to Everyone)**: 7:55 PM: Good to connect with all of you. Take care.

Jesse Dramer (to Everyone): 7:55 PM: Thanks all!

Michelle (to Everyone): 7:55 PM: Thanks Everyone!

jennifer riley (to Everyone): 7:55 PM: Thanks everyone.

Catherine Raap (to Everyone): 7:55 PM: thanks

Patti Radies (to Everyone): 7:55 PM: thanks so much everyone