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Manu Madhok, Superintendent of Schools, is pleased to announce the following changes within School District 91 for the 2020/21 school year:

Wendy Kelemen has accepted the principalship of Decker Lake Elementary as a transfer from William Konkin Elementary, where she has been working in administration for the past seven years. Mrs. Kelemen was born and raised in the Burns Lake area and graduated from Lakes District Secondary. She has been with the District since 1999 in a variety of positions, including teaching at Fraser Lake Elem-Secondary, Mapes Elementary, Muriel Mould Primary and Lakes District Secondary. Mrs. Kelemen will continue in her dual principal role with François Lake Elementary next year and looks forward to working closely with all staff, students and families.

Natasha Toth has accepted the position of William Konkin Elementary as a transfer from Grassy Plains Elementary Secondary school, where she has been principal since 2016. Before her principalship in School District 91, Ms. Toth taught in Manitoba, Ontario, Saskatchewan and Lax Kw'alaams. She brings a diverse background in education to her new role at William Konkin and is looking forward to building new relationships with staff, students and families in Burns Lake.

Ginger Moya was the successful candidate for the principalship at Grassy Plains Elementary-Secondary School. Mrs. Moya was born and raised on the Southside and attended Grassy Plains before graduating from Lakes District Secondary. Ginger brings several years of teaching experience from SD27 and in 2018, Mrs. Moya and her family moved back to the Southside. Currently, Mrs. Moya is teaching at Grassy Plains School and is excited to continue her work with the staff and community in her new role.

Megan Boniface has accepted the principalship of Mouse Mountain Primary School in Fraser Lake as a transfer from EBUS Academy. Mrs. Boniface has been a teacher at EBUS since 2009, including working for EBUS in Vancouver before moving back to Vanderhoof to become Vice-Principal in 2017. Mrs. Boniface brings a passion for learning from a variety of educational experiences and is eager to start work in her first principalship in Fraser Lake.

Jason Kadonaga was the successful candidate for the position of Vice-Principal of EBUS Academy. Mr. Kadonaga brings over a decade of experience in public education as a teacher in Prince George and roles in SD91. Most recently, he has been an intermediate teacher at W.L. Mcleod and is looking forward to coming back to be part of the team at EBUS in his first administration position. Mr. Kadonaga is active with coaching and volunteering and looks forward to connecting with students and families from all over B.C.

Retirement

Lauretta Hunter is retiring this summer from the principalship of Mouse Mountain Elementary after thirty years of service with School District 91. Mrs. Hunter graduated from the University of Victoria before starting her career at Mouse Mountain Elementary in Fraser Lake. She spent time teaching at Fort Fraser Elementary before beginning her first principalship at Prairiedale Elementary in 2012. In the fall of 2014, Mrs. Hunter transferred to her current role at Mouse Mountain Elementary. During her long career, she was always an incredible advocate for children and her warm and welcoming tone was evident in all her interactions with staff, students and families. The School District wants to thank Mrs. Hunter for her many years of dedicated service and wishes her all the best in retirement.

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