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**BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON REQUIRED CHANGES TO THE KKCFSS
CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS**

TO: The Members of KKCFSS
FROM: Jackie Brown, Executive Director of KKCFSS
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As a society (a not-for profit corporation), the Ktunaxa/Kinbasket Child & Family Service Society is governed by the Societies Act of British Columbia and must comply with its requirements to continue to operate and be in good standing with the Government of British Columbia.

In 2016, the Societies Act was updated and included significant changes for how societies in BC operate. This new legislation included many changes including more flexibility around voting thresholds and new requirements for Board of Directors and Executive Directors to hold their positions. The Government of British Columbia provided a transition guide to help societies meet all the new requirements.

One of the requirements is that all societies in British Columbia update their Constitution and By-Laws. KKCFSS and all other societies in BC would have until November 28, 2018 to amend and file updated version of their constitutions and by-laws. Should KKCFSS fail to file an updated Constitution and By-Laws by the deadline, we could face serious repercussions like dissolution of our Society.

Accordingly, KKCFSS has been working on updating our Constitution and By-Laws to meet all the new requirements and to present these changes to our members for a vote. We have also been working on updating our membership policy and doing a membership drive in order to have these changes passed fairly and so the community aware of these changes.

Our current 2012 Constitution and By-Laws are out of date and non-compliant with the 2016 Societies Act. On September 7, 2018, KKCFSS is holding a special meeting of the membership in order to review and discuss the Draft 2018 Constitution and By-Laws that are in compliance with the new requirements.

We look forward to having you join us at the Special Meeting on Friday, September 7, 2018 for discussion, debate and a clear resolution to pass the Draft 2018 Constitution and By-Laws to keep KKCFSS running and in compliance with the laws of the Province.