

LEGISLATIVE RETURN



SUBMITTED BY: Tracy-Anne McPhee, Minister of Education

1. On October 11, 2018, the Member for Copperbelt South
- asked the following question during supplementary budget debate at page(s) 2966-2967 of *Hansard*
 - submitted the following written question – WQ No. _____
 - gave notice of the following motion for the production of papers – MPP No. _____

RE: Yukon Native Language Centre Personnel

Finally, with that — I talked about it and I want to obviously be careful about personnel issues, but the minister indicated when, I think, the announcement was made that those employees not continuing on with the Yukon Native Language Centre — there would be positions found for them within government or particularly in Education? I am just looking for an overall update on the transfer of the Yukon Native Language Centre and how that has rolled out, and if those personnel have been assigned to new roles within Yukon government — those who aren't with the Yukon Native Language Centre anymore.

The response is as follows:

The transfer of the Yukon Native Language Centre from the Government of Yukon to the Council of Yukon First Nations was completed and effective as of January 17, 2018. The Council of Yukon First Nations has full responsibility and administration of the Yukon Native Language Centre and decided to recruit its own staff for this centre.

The former staff of the Yukon Native Language Centre were Government of Yukon employees and the Yukon government worked to find suitable alternative positions for the former staff of the Yukon Native Language Centre for which they are qualified in Yukon's public service. As required under the Public Service Act, these employees received layoff notices and have recall rights through the YEU collective agreement. We advised these staff of their options and benefits, including severance and priority staffing status to help them find suitable new positions with the Government of Yukon.

A total of five Yukon government employees were affected (of 6.3 FTEs, as some positions were vacant). At this time four employees have found temporary positions within Yukon government, and they continue to have priority staffing status for suitable permanent positions. One employee has indicated they are not interested in working at this time.

October 18, 2018
Date


Signature