

Minister Fassbender Accepts ASTTBC Eagle Feather After Tech Talk



Minister Peter Fassbender (left) receives eagle feather from ASTTBC President Dave Rutherford. Len McKay, a Salish carver, has provided about 40 feathers to ASTTBC, most of which have been presented to leaders in the BC community.

ASTTBC President Dave Rutherford presented an ASTTBC eagle feather to the [Honourable Peter Fassbender](#) (MLA for Surrey-Fleetwood), Minister of Education. ASTTBC met recently with the Minister to talk about technology education and careers. ASTTBC has been encouraging Government to support technology courses in K-12 and for high schools to provide dual credit - the high school Dog Wood graduation certificate plus credit toward technology courses in post-secondary.

The Minister and the others in the ASTTBC delegation, Brian Carr, Public Representative on ASTTBC Council and John Leech, CEO, enjoyed a far-reaching conversation including the BC Government's 10 Year Skills Plan. "We had a delightful chat with Minister Fassbender," reported Dave Rutherford. "I left with no doubt that Peter has a solid grasp of the role of technologists, technicians and technical specialists and is supporting technology education as a key part of the BC economy."