



**BOARD OF EDUCATION OF
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 46 (SUNSHINE COAST)**

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Held on Tuesday, September 23, 2014 at 9:30 a.m.

At the School Board Office – Gibsons, BC

PRESENT: TRUSTEES: Betty Baxter, Chair; Lori Dixon; Dave Mewhort; Silas White; Lori Pratt; Christine Younghusband
STAFF/OTHERS: Patrick Bocking, Superintendent; Greg Kitchen, Assistant Superintendent; Nicholas Weswick, Secretary-Treasurer; Erica Reimer, Recording Secretary
REGRETS: Trustee Greg Russell

The meeting was called to order at 9:36 a.m.

1. Strategic Plan Review

a. Implementation Update

Superintendent Bocking provided a brief update on the ministry update received at the BCSSA Conference in August and a thorough review of the implementation of the 2012-2015 Strategic Plan. The complete presentation is attached to these notes.

The committee provided the following feedback for consideration:

- Consider deepening the partnership with Iris Griffith Field Studies & Interpretive Centre.
- Consider building on student interest in existing or previous environmental courses (i.e: organic gardening and culinary tourism) to develop an environmental program at the secondary level.
- Continue emphasizing the benefits to international education when discussing environmental education opportunities in the next strategic plan.
- Review funds in restricted surplus.
- Acknowledge partners in education (ie: Habitat for Humanity and Coast Cable) and define community partnerships in order to provide a model for future partnerships.
- Review website structure to ensure we are meeting users' expectations.
- Distribute information on the district's emergency response plan in a clear and accessible format.

- Address financial misconceptions about small neighborhood schools by sharing information regarding small community supplements. Include information relating to small community supplements in the trustee orientation package.

b. Process Review

Superintendent Bocking noted that discussions and community input will aid in the development of the 2015-2019 Strategic Plan.

2. Communications Plan

Superintendent Bocking circulated a communications plan for the school year that lists discussion topics and reports to future board and committee meetings. The communications plan provides a timeline for the agenda setting committee and clarifies the reporting process.

Adjourned at 11:35 am.

Next meeting: October 28, 2014 at the School Board Office