



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

Tuesday, January 28, 2:00 p.m.  
Sechelt Learning Centre - Sechelt, BC  
5538 Shorncliffe Ave  
Sechelt, BC

TRUSTEES: S. Girard (Committee Chair), S. Leech, P. Ruth,  
STAFF: P. Bocking, Superintendent; P. Bishop, Director of Instruction; K. Kerr,  
Director of Instruction, S. Mackenzie, CUPE Local 801; L. Leske,  
CUPE Local 801; E. Reimer, Executive Assistant (Recording  
Secretary)  
REGRETS: T. Ste. Marie, Trustee; A. Amaral, Trustee

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1. Call to Order

Called to order at 2:08 p.m. by Trustee Girard.

2. Mental Health (1.f.)

Elphinstone Secondary Counsellor, Sue Bailey, provided a report on Mental Health Literacy, which has been incorporated into the grade 8 and 9 curriculum in the 2019-20 school year. The program focuses on understanding how to optimize and maintain good mental health, understanding mental health disorders and treatment, and decreasing stigma.

A copy of Ms. Bailey's presentation is available on the district website at <https://sd46.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020-01-Ed-Presentations.pdf>.

3. Inclusive Education (2.c.)

Director Kerr provided a report on upcoming sessions with Shelley Moore, taking place on January 29, February 19 and May 14, to further support inclusive practices at district schools.

A copy of Director Kerr's presentation is available on the district website at <https://sd46.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020-01-Ed-Presentations.pdf>.

4. Completion Rates

Superintendent Bocking reported on six-year completion rates, in addition to grade-to-grade transitions for grades 10 and 11. After 8 years of positive improvement in completion rates, the district has seen a decline this past year in both BC resident and indigenous students' completion rates. The district reviewed the cases of all students who did not complete their Dogwood within six years. The issues cited for non-

completion to date included; mental health, substance use, moves out of the district, attendance and challenges with work, among other items.

A copy of Superintendent Bocking's presentation is available on the district website at <https://sd46.bc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020-01-Ed-Presentations.pdf>.

5. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 3:17 p.m.