



**BOARD OF EDUCATION OF  
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 46 (SUNSHINE COAST)  
AD HOC ART IN SCHOOLS COMMITTEE NOTES**

Wednesday, March 31, 2021, 5:00 p.m.  
Online via Zoom

**PRESENT:** S. Girard (Committee Chair); A. Amaral; S. Haines, P. Ruth

**STAFF:** P. Bocking, Superintendent; D. Knight, Principal Langdale Elementary; E. Reimer, Executive Assistant (Recording Secretary)

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1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:04 p.m.

2. Scope of Committee

The committee reflected on the subtle differences between “Art in Schools” and Arts in School” and suggested the committee move forward as the Ad Hoc Art in Schools Policy Committee.

The committee discussed:

- the positive impact of exposure to art and the benefits to staff and students’ social and emotional well-being.
- the benefits of having a policy that demonstrates board support for staff engaging with local artists,
- creating guiding principles to assist the district in making decisions on appropriate art installations at school and district sites,
- promoting experiential learning, art apprenticeship and the general availability of art as a career path,
- supporting the availability of student art in municipal spaces, as well as community art in school district spaces.

3. Terms of Reference

The committee discussed creating a policy that will confirm the importance and benefit of art in all district buildings. The committee will work to develop a policy that supports all of the sites in our district in creating inside and outside spaces for both permanent and temporary art installation.

The committee discussed the need to ensure diversity in medium, type and subject materials, as well as developing guidelines to qualify art appropriate to a

school district. Superintendent Bocking confirmed that such guidelines would be included in a regulation supporting the board's policy.

4. Consulting with Stakeholders

The committee suggested consulting with:

- Community School Coordinators
- Sunshine Coast Arts Council

5. Meeting Schedule

The committee agreed to meet again on Wednesday, April 28 at 5:00 p.m. Superintendent Bocking will develop a draft policy, based on the committee's conversation, for consideration at that meeting.

6. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:57 p.m.