



**BOARD OF EDUCATION OF
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 46 (SUNSHINE COAST)
AD HOC ANTI-POVERTY POLICY COMMITTEE NOTES**

Monday, April 6, 2021, 7:00 p.m.
Online via Zoom

PRESENT: T. Ste. Marie (Committee Chair); A. Amaral; M. Hampvent,
A. Grunenberg (Student Trustee)

STAFF: P. Bocking, Superintendent; K. Kerr, Director of Instruction;
E. Reimer, Executive Assistant (Recording Secretary)

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.

2. Draft Policy Review

The committee reviewed a draft policy and considered:

- including language that recognizes the adverse implications of poverty,
- revising the introductory paragraph for brevity while retaining the initial two sentences and a statement of intent to “break the cycle of poverty”,
- including a statement of support that acknowledges the need to listen to people experiencing poverty,
- the benefits of including a poverty-based analysis “lens” within the policy.

Staff will seek feedback from stakeholders on the policy in general and in relation to the analysis questions included in the poverty-based analysis section.

The committee suggested adding the Sunshine Coast Poverty Reduction Strategy Advisory Committee and Community School coordinators to the list of stakeholders established at the March meeting:

- Sunshine Coast Poverty Reduction Strategy Advisory Committee
- Community School Coordinators
- Healthy Schools Committee
- Indigenous Education Advisory Circle
- District Parents Advisory Council
- Principals and Vice-Principals
- SCTA
- CUPE
- DSLT

- Sunshine Coast Community Services
- Ministry of Children and Family Development

Staff will consult with stakeholders and share feedback at the ad hoc committee meeting scheduled for June 1 at 7:00 p.m. Provided no additional consultation is required at that time, the draft policy will be recommended for approval at the June Regular Meeting.

3. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.