

## 2 ROLE OF THE BOARD

On behalf of the students and citizens of the Sunshine Coast, the Board will work collaboratively and:

- 2.1 Ensure the school district operates with a clear set of Values, a Vision and a Mission Statement that are reflective of our community, and our students' needs.<sup>1</sup>
- 2.2 Develop, carry forward and regularly evaluate a Strategic Plan that sets direction for School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast).
- 2.3 Adopt and review policies that establish a clear assignment of roles, responsibilities, accountability and evaluation among the Board and senior administration.
- 2.4 Protect the integrity of the community, students and public education by fostering an atmosphere of trust, respect and confidence free of discrimination, harassment, and any financial or ethical impropriety.<sup>8</sup>
- 2.5 Make decisions and communicate publicly as a corporate body, with individual trustees having no authority to direct staff, or act or speak for the Board or school district, unless otherwise delegated to do so in Board policy.
- 2.6 Adopt and amend an annual budget.<sup>13</sup>
- 2.7 Select and evaluate the Superintendent of Schools.<sup>11</sup>
- 2.8 Support the annual selection and participation of a student trustee and District Student Leadership Team (DSLTL).
- 2.9 Comply with other statutory responsibilities such as the appointment of an auditor and the submission of reports required by the ministry.
- 2.10 Emphasize strong and balanced communications in support of the Board's Vision, Mission, Values and Strategic Plan by facilitating community involvement in district and school planning, and informing the community about (a) education issues; (b) services, programs and processes; and (c) local and provincial goals, plans and policies; and facilitating community involvement in district and school planning.
- 2.11 Create appropriate partnerships with other agencies to coordinate effective and efficient delivery of education and other services to the citizens of the Sunshine Coast.
- 2.12 Promote the continuity of governance capability by training and developing its trustees, including prompt orientation of new members.<sup>6</sup>

Board Policy: December 2010

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