



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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE NOTES
Held on December 17, 2015 from 1:00-2:30 p.m.
School Board Office – Gibsons, BC

PRESENT: TRUSTEES: Lori Pratt, Chair; Betty Baxter; Dave Mewhort; Greg Russell;
Pammila Ruth; Christine Younghusband

STAFF/OTHERS: Patrick Bocking, Superintendent; Nicholas Weswick,
Secretary-Treasurer; Paul Bishop, Director of Instruction; Vanessa White,
Director of Instruction; Erica Reimer, Recording Secretary

REGRETS: Lori Dixon, Trustee

The meeting was called to order at 1:10 p.m.

1. Program for South Coast Branch Meeting (Feb. 25-26)

The district will be hosting the BCSTA South Coast Branch meeting on February 25 and 26th. The BCSTA South Coast Branch consists of trustees from School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast), School District No. 47 (Powell River) and School District No. 48 (Sea to Sky). Superintendent Bocking presented a draft program for consideration and discussion. Trustees made suggestions for additional program items. The committee agreed to the form of the following draft program:

Thursday, Feb. 25

6:00 pm Tour of Gibsons Elementary School

6:30 pm Dinner / Student Performance

7:30 pm (or after dinner) Business Meeting

Friday, Feb. 26

9:00 am Tour NEST/ACE-It Carpentry/Habitat for Humanity

10:00 am Residential School Monument/SIB

10:30 am Early Learning Centre/Tiny Town

11:30 am Pender Harbour Secondary School

1:00 pm SD45 return for 2:30 pm Langdale sailing

SD47 Iris Griffith Centre until 4:30 pm sailing

2. School Growth Plans

Superintendent Bocking provided trustees with copies of the School Growth Plans for all schools in the district and reviewed the template that principals use to create their plans. In the past, School Planning Committees took part in the development of school plans. Recent changes to the *School Act* have replaced those committees with a new framework to enhance student learning. Metro Superintendents will meet in early February to discuss the framework. Each committee member was assigned a school growth plan to briefly

review and summarize for the committee. Principals will have an opportunity to further elaborate on school plans during the Trustee School Visits planned for January 14th, 19th and 21st. Trustees noted their appreciation for receiving the plans well in advance of the school visits.

3. Communication (standing item)

The committee reviewed updates to the Board Communication Plan.

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Next Meeting: January 26th, 2016 from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the School Board Office.