



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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE NOTES

Held on June 21, 2017 from 10:00-11:30 a.m.

At the School Board Office, Gibsons, B.C.

PRESENT: TRUSTEES: Betty Baxter (Committee Chair), Dave Mewhort, Greg Russell, Christine Younghusband

STAFF/OTHERS: Patrick Bocking, Superintendent; Vanessa White, Director of Instruction; Paul Bishop, Director of Instruction; Sandy Magnussen, Special Education Technology Coordinator; David Barnum, Transitions Coordinator; Kirsten Deasey, Early Learning Coordinator; Kerry Mahlman, District Principal of Aboriginal Programs and Services; Phil Luporini, District Principal of Technology; Erica Reimer, Executive Assistant (Recording Secretary)

REGRETS: Pammila Ruth, Trustee; Lori Pratt, Trustee; Lori Dixon, Trustee; Nicholas Weswick, Secretary-Treasurer

The meeting was called to order at 10:08 a.m.

1. Strategic Plan Year 2 – Year in Review

Superintendent Bocking and program committee members, David Barnum, Kirsten Deasey, Phil Luporini, Sandy Magnussen, Cheryl Wilson and Kerry Mahlman, provided information on a sampling of activities and projects that took place during the 2016/17 school year that support the board's strategic plan.

The full presentation is available online at http://www.sd46.bc.ca/files/16-17_BoardMeetings/cmtes/20170621-CoW_Agenda.pdf

The following initiatives were summarized under strategic direction 1 "Our Students Excel!"

Early Learning

- SPARK! Program - now in School District No. 48 (Sea to Sky).
- Motivational Interviewing - training for all StrongStart staff.
- Early Years Fair - Mural Project based on Coast Reads.

Reading

- Levelled Literacy Intervention (LLI) Training for our vulnerable beginning readers.
- CARE Project - focus on student reading achievement and.
- Initial planning for district-wide reading assessment.

Math

- District survey informed District Math Committee strategies.
- Professional Learning opportunities hosted in connection with support networks.
- Local Math Specialty Association established to support teachers.

Social and Emotional

- Critical Incident Response training provided for school-based teams.
- Comprehensive Sexual Health Education provided for counsellors and HACE teachers.
- Self-harm training for counsellors and SCAS staff.
- Positive Discipline training for teachers, principals and education assistants.

Mental and Physical Health:

- District took over School-Aged Therapy Program contract.
- Held a Mental Health Panel night for parents in October 2016.
- Director White invited to speak at Sechelt Hospital's first Med Talks on Mental Health.

Music:

- Consolidated elementary music program.
- Musical Theatre reinforced and funded as a credit program for 2016/2017.

Sustainable Practices:

- Energy Smarts program engages students in sustainability.
- Numerous outdoor classroom developments.
- Numerous outdoor gardens.

Experiential Learning:

- SFU Graduate Diploma Program supports environmental/experiential education.
- Creating Atlas to support place-based learning.
- Computational thinking strategy with technical resources support.

Technology:

- Changing the Way we Communicate in SD46: Exchange. Training/Support for Technology Integration in learning and work.
- Deepened Teachers Empowering Teachers Through Technology (TETT Project Year 2).

Indigenous Cultures:

- Experience: house post raising, making regalia, Dancers of Damelahamid workshop, eagle medicine, making wampum belts (coding).
- Instruction: slahal in longhouse, tree detective forest walks, story response projects.
- Language: Intergenerational Storycatching, 16 House posts of Language Learning.

Graduation:

- Began *My Blueprint* pilot project K-12.

- Find your Fit tour at ESS; Presented Women in Trades and Non-Traditional Careers panel.
- Created a School Completion workflow and form to ensure accountability.

2. Communication plan

The committee reviewed the plan and added the following items:

- “Annual Report to the Community” added to Other for July
- “Trustee Professional Learning Plan” added to Committee of the Whole for September

The meeting adjourned at 11:28 a.m.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, September 26 from 9:30 - 11:30 am at the School Board Office.