



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

EDUCATION COMMITTEE NOTES

Held on January 23rd, 2019 from 2:30-4:00 p.m.
At the School Board Office, Gibsons, B.C.

PRESENT: TRUSTEES: Pammila Ruth (Committee Chair), Sue Girard, Tonya Ste. Marie

STAFF/OTHERS: Patrick Bocking, Superintendent; Vanessa White, Director of Instruction; Carolyn Spence, Principal; Kirsten Deasey; District Principal; Coordinator; Sharon MacKenzie; Stephanie Murawsky, Executive Assistant; Erica Reimer, Executive Assistant (Recording Secretary)

REGRETS: Amanda Amaral, Trustee; Paul Bishop, Director of Instruction; Jacquie Shelemey, SCTA President

The meeting was called to order at 2:34 p.m. and agenda items were reordered.

1. Goal 1.a. – Early Learning

Our students will enter kindergarten well prepared and with engaged, well informed parents invited to partner with their children's teachers through a comprehensive early learning program.

District Principal Deasey reported to the committee and shared information on the various early learning programs and supports offered through the district, including:

- Prenatal courses;
- SPARK! and the Imagination Library;
- StrongStart Centres;
- Parenting Programs, including Circle of Security, Positive Discipline, Happily Ever After, and Parenting Teens;
- Early Years Fair;
- WonderWheels Bookmobile outreach program;
- KinderSPARK; and
- SPARK!10.

The district is pleased to be a provincial leader in early years language and cognitive development.

A copy of District Principals Deasey's presentation has been added to the agenda package at <http://www.sd46.bc.ca/files/18-19 BoardMeetings/cmtes/20190123-Ed Agenda.pdf>.

2. Goal 1.d. – Social and Emotional Learning

Our students will develop the social and emotional skills to successfully live, work and play together; they will have the resilience to deal with life's challenges.

Director White spoke to the benefits of social and emotional learning, including improved student academic achievement in schools where social emotional skills are taught. Director White described social and emotional supports and interventions available to students at various levels of need. District counsellors have moved to a universal classroom delivery model to provide a base of knowledge for all students, not just those at risk. The district uses data from the MDI, EDI and McCreary Report to inform decision making and determine areas of need.

Director White's presentation materials have been included in the agenda package at http://www.sd46.bc.ca/files/18-19_BoardMeetings/cmtes/20190123-Ed_Agenda.pdf.

3. Goal 3.b. – Collaboration

Our district will pursue opportunities that enhance collaboration with associations, organizations, businesses and community resource people.

Superintendent Bocking reported on successful collaborations with several organizations, including, but not limited to, the RCMP, Rotary Clubs, Lions Clubs, Vancouver Coastal Health and local municipal libraries. The district appreciates the support of many local businesses for providing work placements for students. The Joint-Use agreement with the SCRCD continues to provide additional benefits to students.

The district is organizing the *Partners in Learning* event for March 7, 2019 at Chatelech Secondary, the theme for the evening is transitions.

4. Regulation for Review:

a. Regulation 1190 – Copyright

Superintendent Bocking, supported by Stephanie Murawsky, Executive Assistant and Communications officer, spoke to additional revisions which serve to further simplify the regulation by directing staff to the Fair Dealing Decision Tool when considering the use of copyright materials.

b. Regulation 2100 – Procedure for Filling Principal and Vice-Principal Vacancies

Superintendent Bocking addressed changes to the regulation, including the addition of a definition of the "principal pool" and a description of shortlisting and requirements.

c. Regulation 2010 – Assignment of SETA or Teacher to a Home Worksite (to be repealed)

The regulation has been deemed redundant as students are no longer serviced at home by district staff. The regulation will be repealed following the circulation phase.

d. Regulation 3160 – Personal Safety (to be repealed)

The regulation is being repealed, following a circulation phase, as the majority of the information is also included in Regulation 1080 – Codes of Conduct.

e. Regulation 1140 – First Nations Education (to be repealed)

The district has confirmed with the district principal of aboriginal education that the regulation is outdated and that a more collaborative model is currently in place. The regulation will be repealed following the circulation phase.

The meeting adjourned at 3:59 p.m.