



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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE NOTES

Held on September 25th, 2018 from 9:30-11:30 p.m.

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

PRESENT: TRUSTEES: Lori Pratt (Committee Chair), Dave Mewhort, Greg Russell, Pammila Ruth, Christine Younghusband (via teleconference)

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

REGRETS: Lori Dixon, Trustee; Betty Baxter, Trustee; Jacquie Shelemey, SCTA President

The meeting was called to order at 9:32 a.m.

1. Implementation Plan

Superintendent Bocking shared strategic plan implementation goals for the 2018-19 school year. A copy of the full presentation is available at http://www.sd46.bc.ca/files/18-19_BoardMeetings/cmtes/20180925-COW_Agenda.pdf.

2. Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services (SSCFGS) Discussion

The committee reviewed the prior year's submission to the SSCFGS and made suggestions for consideration in the development of the 2019 Provincial Budget. The committee recommended:

- updating the graph on special needs funding with current data,
- highlighting uncertainties created through the Provincial Funding Model Review process,
- making an argument that investments in education can result in savings to other ministries, promoting investing in a proactive rather than reactive manner,
- updating the language in the submission to reflect current terminologies (ie: "inclusive education" rather than "special education", "indigenous education" rather than "aboriginal education"), and
- highlighting the need for additional funding to implement curriculum changes for grades 10, 11 and 12 over the course of the next three to five years.

3. Partners in Learning Event Update

Superintendent Bocking reported that the Partners in Learning Celebration will take place in early February and will be planned in collaboration with the Program Committee.

4. Regulations for Review:

a. 1230 – Process for Administrative Regulations

The regulation was updated to remove the requirement to list all revision dates in administrative regulations. The regulation will be shared with the incoming board as part of the trustee orientation and will enter the circulation phase at the October board meeting.

A suggestion was made to further change the regulation to refer to the “Date of Receipt” rather than the “Date of Approval” to reflect current practices.

5. Communication (standing item)

The committee suggested updating dates for Partners in Learning, per Superintendent Bocking’s report, and to shift both the Appeal Bylaw review and South Coast Branch Meeting from October to November.

The committee shared their understanding of the end of term dates for the outgoing board and the beginning of the new board’s term. Secretary-Treasurer Weswick confirmed that the new board can take their position following the first Monday in the month of November. The agenda setting committee will discuss implications and make a decision regarding the date for the inaugural meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 11:36 a.m.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday, November 27th, 2018 from 9:30-11:30 am at the School Board Office