

EDUCATION COMMITTEE
Reporting to Public Session, Tuesday, April 10, 2012

The Education Committee met on Monday, April 2, 2012 at 4:15 pm. In attendance were Trustees Ron Burton (Chair), James Wang, and Harman Pandher, Assistant Superintendent Heather Hart; BTA representative Richard Storch; and DPAC representatives Jennifer Mezei and Alternate, Kum Heng Poon.

Regrets: Assistant Superintendent Kevin Kaardal

1. Aboriginal Education

Director of Instruction Wanda Mitchell and District Vice-Principal Lynn Daniels presented the planned changes in program delivery and student support model for aboriginal students as a means to achieving the goals of the Aboriginal Enhancement Agreement. The Aboriginal Team conducted surveys to guide their work and used the data to plan ways to support students and establish future directions.

Case management teams made up of aboriginal teachers, aboriginal contact teachers and aboriginal youth care workers at both the elementary and secondary levels will provide a wraparound service of academic and cultural support. The case management teams will also play particular attention to student transitions at both elementary and secondary as an important element in improving the success of Aboriginal students.

In addition, Independent Directed Studies courses at the secondary level will provide students with credit courses that allow students to deepen areas of study within their culture, including expanding on areas of interest within the Aboriginal Circle Program. At the elementary level, the team will focus on early intervention and embed the Aboriginal Circle Program in classroom instruction.

Recommendation: THAT the Board receive this information.

2. Community Partnership for Healthy Living

- Fraser Park Secondary Program
- Burnaby Youth Custody Services Centre
- Steve Nash Fitness World

Director of Instruction, Reno Ciolfi, Head Teacher Chris Lekakis and Multicultural Worker Noleen Sami presented a program that is intended to improve the health and well-being of students who reside in the Burnaby Youth Custody Centre and attend the Fraser Park Secondary Program.

The program involves a partnership with the Steve Nash Fitness Centre, Burnaby Youth Custody Services Centre and Fraser Park Secondary Program. It will begin with female

youth in custody and will provide residents with a personalized program to meet goals of the program which include promoting a positive self-image, a healthy life-style, self-regulation, individual programming to meet the needs of students (both educational and cultural) and a plan for smooth transition back into the community.

The Community Partnership for Healthy Living will encourage the Integration of Physical Education and Home Economics Instruction with the personalized services provided by fitness specialists from the Steve Nash Fitness Centre. Students will be encouraged to continue their fitness programs after they leave the custody centre and return to their home communities. In future, the Community Partnership for Healthy Living will be expanded to all students at Fraser Park. The program could also serve as a model for students in other secondary schools in Burnaby.

Recommendation: THAT the Board receive this information.

3. International Baccalaureate Program

Assistant Superintendent, Gina Niccoli-Moen updated the committee with regards to a time line and membership structure for the proposed International Baccalaureate Program review. The review committee has three meeting dates in April for school visitations; April 4, April 5 and April 12. They will be focusing on viewing classrooms in other school districts in the Metro area including a variety of levels, the Primary years, Middle years and the Diploma program. Members of the Education Committee were invited to join the International Baccalaureate Committee on any visits of interest.

Recommendation: THAT the Board receive this information.

4. Next Meeting

The next committee meeting will take place on Monday, May 7, 2012 at 4:15 pm.

5. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 pm.

FINANCE COMMITTEE
Reporting to Public Session Tuesday, April 10, 2012

The Finance Committee met on Wednesday, March 28, 2012 at 5:30 pm. In attendance were Trustees Ron Burton (Chair), Meiling Chia, Baljinder Narang and, Harman Pandher; Superintendent of Schools Claudio Morelli, Secretary-Treasurer Greg Frank, Assistant Superintendents Heather Hart, Kevin Kaardal and Gina Niccoli-Moen; Assistant Secretary-Treasurer Roy Uyeno and Budget & Reporting Officer Shind Chand.

1. Meeting with Partner Groups

The committee had previously met at 4:30 p.m. with partner group representatives from the BTA (James Sanyshyn, Vice-President, and Patrick Parkes, Officer-at-Large/Grievance Officer); CUPE (Terry Allen, President); DPAC (Jennifer Mezei, Chair, and Janet Reid) and DSAC (Ryan Hirakida, President, and Justine Martins, Cariboo Hill Representative).

Secretary-Treasurer Greg Frank presented an overview of the information to be shared at the Public Budget Meeting scheduled later that evening at 7:00 p.m. at the Administration Office. This was an opportunity for members of the public to provide input to Trustees as part of the process to develop the 2012/2013 operating budget. Members of the public are also encouraged to provide their input by sending a written submission to the Board's Finance Committee by mail or by email at budget@sd41.bc.ca and can visit the district's website at www.sd41.bc.ca to learn more about the district's budget development process.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive this information.

2. Potential Areas of Budget Adjustment

Mr. Frank provided the committee with an updated listing of potential budget adjustments for 2012/2013. Staff will continue to work on identifying, refining and updating the potential budget adjustments and will bring further information to the next meeting.

Recommendation: THAT the Board receive this information.

3. Shared Services: Letter from the Minister of Education

Trustees reviewed a letter that was referred by the Board of Education at the March 27 Public Session meeting from Minister of Education George Abbott outlining the Ministry's plan to develop a set of specific shared delivery opportunities and priorities. Mr. Frank provided the committee with background information on this ministry initiative.

Recommendation: THAT the Board receive this information.

4. Ministry New PSAB Budget Format

Assistant Secretary-Treasurer Roy Uyeno presented an overview of the Ministry of Education's new PSAB budget format including the new budget statements and schedules package which will be used for the 2012/2013 budget submission.

Recommendation: THAT the Board receive this information.

5. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Finance Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, April 11.

6. Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 6:25 pm.

YOUTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE
Reporting to Public Session April 10, 2012

The Youth and Community Services Committee (YCSC) met on Tuesday, April 3, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. In attendance were Trustee committee members Baljinder Narang (Chair), Meiling Chia, Harman Pandher, Gina Niccoli-Moen, Assistant Superintendent of Schools, Sue Dorey, Manager Youth Services for item 1 and Kum Heng Poon, Burnaby DPAC.

1.0 Ministry of Justice Grant

The Burnaby School District has received a one-time grant from the Civil Forfeiture Office in partnership with Victims Services and Crime Prevention Division of the Ministry of Justice. This is a provincial government grant for a total of \$203,000. The grant enables the district to take the following steps in addressing the issue of youth gang and crime recruitment:

- a) Create a multi-disciplinary intervention team that supports identified youth who are criminally entrenched and/or at risk of gang involvement.
- b) Create a position to support and serve the Burnaby community in wraparound support for youth involved in criminal recruitment.
- c) Create a process for teaching high risk youth and ensure their involvement with education, job training and development opportunities.
- d) Create a mentorship program for youth and increase community capacity to support youth involved in criminal activity.

Recommendation: THAT the Board receive this information.

2.0 School Meal Program

The committee received an update regarding expansion of the district's School Meal Program. A brief overview was provided, outlining processes and guidelines when determining feasibility of and community interest in the program.

Currently, the district houses 13 programs, with an additional 3 sites under review for possible expansion. While 2 schools are still in the review phase, Byrne Creek Secondary School will be able to offer a variation of the school meal program, utilizing their existing cafeteria space, this month.

Recommendation: THAT the Board receive this information.

3.0 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

5.0 Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Youth and Community Services committee will be on Monday, May 7, 2012 at 5:30 p.m.