

EDUCATION COMMITTEE
Reporting to Public Session on Monday, October 23, 2017

The Education Committee met on Monday, October 2, 2017 at 4:30 pm. In attendance were Trustees Harman Pandher (Chair) Meiling Chia and Baljinder Narang, DPAC Representative Kristin Schnider and Assistant Superintendents Heather Hart and Wanda Mitchell.

1. Aboriginal Education Update

Brandon Curr, District Principal of Aboriginal Education provided an update on the District's second Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement. Currently in its fourth year, the Enhancement Agreement goals focus on the District's work with Aboriginal learners in the areas of student achievement, culture and sense of self, as well as community connectedness and belonging. Examples of work related to the goal areas were shared, including the Burnaby Central Welcome Post project and school-based activities related to National Aboriginal Day. Two new initiatives for 2017-2018 were also highlighted. These include time dedicated in 14 elementary schools to focus on Aboriginal inquiry with the intention of increasing knowledge of Aboriginal history, culture and story in Aboriginal students' classrooms. Another addition to the District Aboriginal Education Team is the position of Aboriginal Literacy Teacher. The role of this teacher is to continue with the Reading Recovery program as well as other literacy interventions for Aboriginal learners. We continue to monitor student progress in relation to the goals of the Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive this information.

2. Fortius Partnership

Ron Hall, Director of Instruction, Andy Price, Executive Director of the Fortius Foundation and Akriti Sharma, Strength & Conditioning Coach presented information to the committee on the Fortius KidsMove Program.

The KidsMove Program, developed by sports science practitioners and athletes, is a fun, movement-based training program. The program follows a three pillar approach, teaching students' physical, mental and lifestyle skills. This program is planned and run by the professional staff at Fortius.

The Fortius Foundation is offering the opportunity for 6 Burnaby elementary schools to participate in the 10 week KidsMove Program. Weekly sessions will focus on developing fundamental movement skills of running, jumping and throwing through a variety of activities and exposure to a variety of sports. Students will also be introduced to activities that improve mobility, flexibility, muscular endurance, muscular strength and movement competency. Lifestyle and mental endurance skills will also be integrated into the program. All teachers involved in the KidsMove Program will receive pre-program training through

Fortius and will work side by side with Fortius staff during each of the 10 sessions. This program, including transportation, will be fully funded by The Fortius Foundation and is being offered to the district at no cost.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive this information.

3. Next Meeting

The next committee meeting will take place on Monday, November 6, 2017 at 4:30 pm.

4. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 pm.

POLICY COMMITTEE
Reporting to Public Session Monday, October 23, 2017

The Policy Committee met on October 16, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. In attendance were Trustees Gary Wong (Chair), Harman Pandher and Ron Burton (by phone), Superintendent of Schools, Gina Niccoli-Moen, Secretary-Treasurer, Russell Horswill and Jen Mezei, Burnaby DPAC.

1. Policies circulated as Notice of Motion (attached)

Policy No. 4.05.00 Workplace Bullying and Harassment Prevention
Policy No. 5.45.00 Sexual Orientation/Gender Identity

At the June 26, 2017 public session meeting the Board approved for circulation as Notice of Motion the above draft policies. No feedback was received. The committee members gave the policies a final review. Some minor wording changes were made, and the policies and regulations are now being recommended to the Board for final approval.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education approve the above policies and regulations, as presented for insertion into the Policy Manual.

2. Policy No. 5.08.00 Positive School and Work Climate

The committee reviewed revised draft Policy No. 5.08.00 Positive School and Work Climate and accompanying Regulations and Procedures. Minor edits reflect current practice and updated language. No substantive changes have been made to the policy.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education approve the changes to Policy No. 5.08.00 Positive School and Work Climate as presented.

3. Policy No. 7.80.00 Video Surveillance

Staff brought forward a revised draft of Policy No. 7.80.00 Video Surveillance. Changes to the Policy reflect a broader range of surveillance systems to include the installation and use of GPS tracking in all district-owned vehicles.

The committee discussed the proposed changes and changes to the current district policy were amended.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education approve Policy No. 7.80.00 and Regulations and Procedures No. 7.80.01 for circulation as Notice of Motion.

4. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm

5. Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next Policy Committee is November 20, 2017

YOUTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE
Reporting to Public Session Monday, October 23, 2017

The Youth and Community Services Committee (YCSC) met on Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at 5:30 pm. In attendance were Trustees Baljinder Narang (chair) and Harman Pandher, Assistant Superintendent Roberto Bombelli, and DPAC Representative Jocelyn Schonekess.

1. Reports from Community Committees

Trustees who represent the Board on community committees updated the YCSC on items that would be of interest to the Board.

City of Burnaby's Task Force on the Sexual Exploitation of Children and Youth

Trustee Narang reported on the 2017 Metro Vancouver Homeless Count results. A total of 201 children under 19 years of age and 185 youth between 19 and 24 years were found homeless on March 8, for a total of 386 children. Young people under 25 years represented 16% of the homeless population in 2017 compared to 20% in 2014. Young people are the only age group where the Homeless Count results showed a decrease. Youth programs and shelters typically serve youth between the ages of 16 and 24 years. The Task Force will use the information in the report and work to identify gaps in current service and advocate to MLAs to address these gaps.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive this information.

2. Vancouver Metropolitan Orchestra Canada

Jim Dobbs, Director, gave a presentation about the Vancouver Metropolitan Orchestra (VMO), a mentoring orchestra consisting of top graduating students from local universities. The VMO has an outreach program to engage K-7 students and is offered as a supplement to the already excellent music programs in our schools. In addition, the VMO provides free tickets to Burnaby District students to attend their spring concert at Michael J Fox Theatre.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive this information.

3. West Coast LEAF

Alana Prochuk, Manager of Public Legal Education, and Nour Kachouh, Youth Workshop Coordinator, gave a presentation about this BC-based equality rights organization, a non-profit, gender equality focused organization that works on legal cases, advocates for law reform, and provides public education. West Coast LEAF have been providing peer-based,

interactive workshops for youth aged ten and up since 1999 in the Metro Vancouver, Nanaimo and Kamloops areas. There are a variety of workshops available for Burnaby District schools that connect to curriculum.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive this information.

4. Safe and Caring Schools Update

Roberto Bombelli, Assistant Superintendent, shared the final draft of '*Opioid Overdose Recognition and Response Guidelines for Naloxone Use*'. The Guidelines will go out to Secondary and Elementary Administrators at October meetings. Training for Secondary Administrators and other identified staff is planned for October and Naloxone kits are being purchased for Secondary Schools and Alt Program sites.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive this information.

5. New Business/Updates

a) Burnaby RCMP Scavenger Hunt Contest 2017

Burnaby RCMP and SD41 will engage youth within the Burnaby School District through social media with various tasks that promote school and personal safety while providing education in a relatable manner. The target audience is secondary students and 'tasks' will be tweeted out twice a week for youth to complete and then post their submissions through their social media accounts. Once each 'task' is completed, participants move closer to unlocking the 'safe' to reveal a prize at the end of the contest. Burnaby RCMP will also link additional information, through tweets, to engage parents in these activities and provide other safety tips online.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive this information.

6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 pm.