

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE**  
**Reporting to Public Session on Monday, June 11, 2018**

The Education Committee met on Monday, June 4, 2018 at 4:30 pm. In attendance were Trustees Harman Pandher (Chair) and Meiling Chia, DPAC Representative Kristin Schnider, BTA Vice-President Leanne Sjodin and Assistant Superintendents Heather Hart and Wanda Mitchell.

**1. Indigenous Education – Year End Summary**

Brandon Curr, District Principal of Indigenous Education, provided a year end overview of the District's progress toward the Indigenous Education Enhancement Agreement. Examples included instructional activities in classrooms that shared Indigenous perspectives and culture, as well as examples that highlight staffing initiatives around literacy instruction for Indigenous learners and culturally responsive instruction. Data was shared that highlight improving trends in reading comprehension and attendance in elementary schools for Indigenous students. Continued emphasis on improving reading comprehension, culturally responsive instruction and engagement with secondary students will continue through next year.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive this information.

**2. Board / Authority Approved Courses**

Jeannette Laursoo, Director of Instruction, presented rationale for the revision of existing Grade 10 Board / Authority Approved (BAA) courses to align with the new Ministry curriculum. The following courses have been revised: Applied Interdisciplinary Design 10, Dance Conditioning 10, Engineering 10, Leadership – Event Management 10, Visual Arts 10: Graphics, Leadership 10, Peacemakers (Peer Mediation 10), Sports Specific Conditioning 10, Applications of Leadership PHE 10, Recreational Leadership 10, Student Government 10, Applications of Computer Technology 10, and Television Production Services 10.

Rationale for two new BAA courses, Palo Alto Cybersecurity Foundations 12 and Career Life Connections 11 was also presented. Palo Alto Cybersecurity Foundations 12 at Cariboo Secondary School introduces students to the fundamental concepts of Cybersecurity. Students will complete a variety of hands-on labs focusing on planning, designing, implementing and troubleshooting network infrastructure environments.

Career Life Connections 11 will prepare students to make a successful transition to Career Life Connections 12. Students will begin to assess their actions and experiences and how they impact their current and future opportunities. This will lead to the Ministry course for Career Life Connections 12, to be released in the 2019/2020 school year.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive and approve the following revised Board / Authority Approved courses: *Applied Interdisciplinary Design 10, Dance Conditioning 10, Engineering 10, Leadership – Event Management 10, Visual Arts 10: Graphics, Leadership 10, Peacemakers (Peer Mediation 10), Sports Specific Conditioning 10, Applications of Leadership PHE 10, Recreational Leadership 10, Student Government 10, Applications of Computer Technology 10, Television Production Services 10, and*

THAT the Board of Education receive and approve *Palo Alto Cybersecurity Foundations 12* as a Board / Authority Approved course, and

THAT the Board of Education receive and approve *Career Life Connections 11* as a Board / Authority Approved course pending Ministry of Education approval.

### **3. School Plans**

Heather Hart, Assistant Superintendent outlined the school plan visit and review process. The presentation highlighted the school planning cycle and the structures and interventions used to improve student learning. Schools were visited by either a district team, comprised of a trustee, district staff, parent and/or an administrator from another school, or a Director of Instruction for a focussed school conversation.

Using the *Response to Intervention* or *Spirals of Inquiry* framework schools examined student performance data that is used to identify the focus of the school plan. Feedback, including recommendations and promising practices, outlined at each visit, assists schools and the district in future planning.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive this information.

### **4. Next Meeting**

The next committee meeting will take place on Monday, October 1, 2018 at 4:30 pm.

### **5. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm.

**YOUTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE**  
**Reporting to Public Session Monday, June 11, 2018**

The Youth and Community Services Committee (YCSC) met on Tuesday, June 5, 2018 at 5:30 pm. In attendance were Trustees Baljinder Narang (chair), Harman Pandher (by telephone) and Larry Hayes, Assistant Superintendent Roberto Bombelli, DPAC representative Jocelyn Schonekess, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer Ishver Khunguray and Manager Finance and Budgets Matt Mydske for item 2, and Director of Instruction Peter Dubinsky and Coordinator Community Services Sheri Brattston for item 3.

**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.

**District Community Schools**

Trustee Narang reported that a new District Community School Advisory Council Committee executive was elected at the April meeting.

**Parks & Recreation**

Trustee Narang reported that the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Commission recommended that approval be given for the expenditure of \$484,238 as the City of Burnaby's share of the operating funds for the 2018-19 Community School Program.

**Public Safety**

Trustee Hayes reported that at the May 15 meeting a delegation from Kitchener Elementary voiced concerns about traffic safety around the school. Burnaby North Re-Think program students presented the culmination of a joint project between Burnaby North, ICBC, Burnaby RCMP and the City of Burnaby. The students prepared personal pedestrian safety messages geared to their peers to create awareness about the dangers that pedestrians face, stressing the importance of public safety in a fun, interactive way. District 2 Lougheed Community Policing Office complimented Burnaby Mountain students and their work at school as they hosted a Jeopardy themed safety event in support of their Grad legacy gift.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive this information.

**2. School Meal Program Update**

Assistant Secretary-Treasurer Ishver Khunguray and Manager Finance and Budgets Matt Mydske reported that the School Meal Program has come within budget this year due a slight increase in parent contributions and a marginal decrease in supply costs. The total

number of participants has been consistent over the last two years with approximately 2,100 participating students and 344,000 meals served. Based on these results, the School Meal Program can continue without any changes in cost to families for the 2018-19 school year.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive this information.

### **3. Middle Years Development Instrument (MDI)**

Director of Instruction Peter Dubinsky and Coordinator Community Services Sheri Brattston reported on the 2017-18 Middle Years Development Instrument (MDI) outcomes of the 1,425 grade 7 students who participated. The MDI is a self-report survey that is completed by students to obtain information about their lives inside and outside of school. The survey uses a developmental assets/strengths-based approach to assess five dimensions of children's well-being: social emotional development; feelings of connectedness to school, family, friends and communities; school experiences; physical health and well-being; and time use during after school hours. The results found that the majority of grade 7 students in Burnaby are thriving in most dimensions of social and emotional competence with the exception of "worries", thriving in most dimensions of health and well-being with the exception of "sleep", are connected to adults at school, in the neighbourhood and at home, participate in organized after-school activities and have positive school experiences. The MDI data is utilized by the district and our community partners in planning programming and activities to support the well-being, health and academic achievement of students.

Recommendation: THAT the Board of Education receive this information.

### **4. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

### **5. Date of Next Meeting**

The date of the next Youth and Community Services Committee is October 2, 2018.