THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT 68
MINUTES OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD MAY 2, 2018

PRESENT:

Trustees
B. Robinson, Chair
S. Higginson
J. Solomon
S. Kimler
J. Brennan
T. Brzovic
S. Rae

Staff
J. Blain, Superintendent/CEO
C. McVeigh, Secretary-Treasurer
S. Saywell, Superintendent Designate
B. Esliger, Assistant Superintendent
R. Gray, Assistant Superintendent
L. Tait, Assistant Superintendent
D. Burgos, Executive Director of Communications
P. Graham, Executive Assistant

ABSENT:
N. Routley
N. Bob

IN ATTENDANCE
J. Green, NDTA Rep
J. Sinclair, DPAC Rep
M. Nelson, DASG Rep

Meeting No. E08

CALL TO ORDER
The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm recognized that tonight’s meeting is being held on the traditional territory of the Snuneymuxw people.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA
Graduation Rates be added under New Business as Item 12.1
Premier Award - Excellence in Education be added under New Business as Item 12.2

DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA
There were none.

CHANGE IN ORDER
There were none.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
Minutes of the Education Committee Meeting held May 2, 2018

That the Agenda be approved. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Minutes - March 7, 2018

That the minutes from the Education Committee meeting held March 7, 2018, be approved. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Minutes - April 4, 2018

That the minutes from the Education Committee meeting held April 4, 2018, be approved. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PRESENTATIONS

Derek Beeston
Re: District Skills and Trades Programs

CTC District Principal, Derek Beeston, presented an update on the district's skills, trades and careers programs.

RECONCILIATION

Trustee Higginson
Re: Report from Advisory Committee

Trustee Higginson provided an update on the work being done by the Reconciliation Advisory Committee.

SENIOR STAFF REPORTS

There were none.

CORRESPONDENCE
REFERRED FROM THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING

There was none.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS

Graduation Rates

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Higginson
IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Brzovic

That the Education Committee recommend that the Board of Education of School District No. 68
EC18/05/02-04 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) direct staff to present to the September Education Committee a long term plan to improve graduation rates with specific attention paid to aboriginal education and special needs graduation rates.

TABLED

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Solomon
IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Rae

Folio

That the Education Committee recommend that the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) defer motion EC18/05/02-04 to the Business Committee meeting on May 9, 2018.

Opposed by Trustees: Brennan, Brzovic, Higginson

CARRIED

Trustee Robinson
Re: Premier Award - Excellence in Education

Trustee Robinson recommended that Trustees bring forward, to the next Education Committee Meeting, nominations from Principals and District Staff for the Premier's Award.

QUESTION PERIOD

J. Sinclair asked a question regarding the Academies, including the Lacrosse Academy, not accepting any out-of-catchment students. J. Blain advised that communication has been forwarded to parents/guardians.

ADJOURNMENT

Folio

That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting adjourned at 7:26 pm.