THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT 68
EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING
TO BE HELD WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2016 – 6:00 PM
BOARD ROOM
A G E N D A

1. CALL TO ORDER
   The Chair will call the meeting to order and recognizes that tonight's meeting is being held on the traditional territory of the Snuneymuxw people.

2. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

3. DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

4. CHANGE IN ORDER

5. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

6. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
   6.1 Minutes - October 5, 2016

       That the minutes from the Education Committee meeting held October 5, 2016 be approved.
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7. PRESENTATIONS
   7.1 Ms. Jacquie Poulin
       Principal
       RE: Healthy School Initiatives
       Healthy Schools initiatives in NLPS 2016

8. LEARNING SERVICES DEPARTMENT
   John Blain, Superintendent
   8.1 Student Recognition Guideline Discussion

       Folio: R16/09/28-20
       The Board of Education of School District 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) directs that the issue of district student recognition be moved to the Education Committee as per the Superintendent's recommendation.

   8.2 Overview of Community Forums (dates, format)
       RE: New Reporting Order / Curriculum

       Verbal Update
9. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

   9.1 Trustee Brzovic - Support for NDTA Request

10. **NEW BUSINESS**

   10.1 VISTA Non Partisan Election Committee Discussion Board Vision

11. **QUESTION PERIOD**

    Question Period is intended to enable the public to obtain clarifying information regarding a current agenda item.

    Individuals wishing to ask questions of the Board upon completion of Committee and Board sessions shall do so in writing on the form provided which includes their name, street address and email address. The individual will be asked to verify his/her self and be afforded the opportunity to read out their own question. Each individual shall be limited to one follow-up question upon receiving a response. Questions and responses will be included in the video of the meeting and the meeting minutes and will be part of the public record.

    *Forms are available in the information rack near the entrance of the Board Room*

12. **ADJOURNMENT**
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT 68
MINUTES OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD October 5, 2016

PRESENT:
Trustees
S. Higginson, Chair
N. Bob, Vice-Chair
J. Brennan
T. Brzovic
S. Kimler
S. Rae
B. Robinson
J. Solomon

Staff
J. Blain, Superintendent/CEO
C. McVeigh, A/Secretary-Treasurer
D. Burgos, Director of Communications
S. Saywell, Assistant Superintendent
T. Davie, Assistant Superintendent
L. Tait, Director of Instruction
K. Scheibel, Executive Assistant

ABSENT
N. Routley
B. Esliger, Assistant Superintendent

IN ATTENDANCE
M. Ball, NDTA Rep
J. Smith, CUPE Rep
C. Girard, NSAA Rep
C. McKay, DPAC Rep
J. McNeil, DASG Rep

CALL TO ORDER
The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and recognized that tonight’s meeting is being held on the traditional territory of the Snuneymuxw people. Chair Higginson also recognized that today is World Teacher's Day.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA
There were no Additions to the Agenda this evening.

DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA
There were no Deletions to the Agenda this evening.

CHANGE IN ORDER
There was no Change in Order this evening.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
Folio E16/10/05-01 That the Agenda be approved. CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

That the minutes from the Education Committee meeting held September 7, 2016 be approved.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

LEARNING SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Ms. Laura Tait
Director of Instruction
RE: Reporting Order

Laura Tait, Director of Instruction, provided an update on the district's year of exploration with the new provincial student reporting.

Traditionally, communication of student learning took the form of a standard report card with comments and letter grades sent home to parents three times per year.

The district's goal is to design a reporting system that engages students, parents and teachers.

There will be school based and district wide parent information sessions occurring over the 2016-17 school year.

To view Ms. Tait's presentation, please see the attachment to the Agenda.

Mr. Ball has a request to the Board regarding timing of the order - a lot of work was done in August and September and was presented to teachers last week and now there is a change. The impact of this on top of the revised curriculum has been huge. The request to the Board is that they ask the ministry for a temporary order and urge the ministry through a letter to bring the permanent order out in the Spring.

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Brzovic
IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Brennan

The Education Committee recommends to the Board of Education of School District 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) that they write a letter expressing concerns to the Ministry regarding their late delivery of the order around grading changes and requests that future orders be
IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Brennan
IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Bob
Motion to Refer
Folio
E16/10/05-04
That this be referred to the next Education Committee meeting for discussion.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no Unfinished Business this evening.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Blain
RE: Fentanyl
Superintendent Blain reported out to the Education Committee that the District, specifically Mr. Esliger, is in constant communication with Medical Health Officer, Dr. Hasselback. We are currently awaiting on information from Island Health and will work with Island Health and next best steps in conjunction with our partner groups in Fentanyl awareness and prevention.

Trustee Brennan mentioned that in one district, they have Naloxone available in every school.

Trustee Bob would like to have an expert come and speak to the Board and schools.

QUESTION PERIOD

There were no Questions this evening.

ADJOURNMENT

T WAS MOVED BY Trustee Brzovic
IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Robinson
Folio
E16/10/05-05
That the meeting be adjourned.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting adjourned at 7:14 pm.
HEALTHY SCHOOLS INITIATIVES IN NLPS

November 2016

Jacquie Poulin
BE ACTIVE EVERY DAY CHALLENGE

• Was approached to partner with the Nanaimo Division of Family Practice to represent the school district on their ‘Healthy Communities’ working group
• First ‘big idea’ that came up was the Be Active Every Day challenge
• BAED is a province wide challenge put out by the Doctors of BC to all physicians and schools; we focused on Grade 5’s to keep it manageable this year
Let's challenge kids to Be Active Every Day October 3-28

The Doctors of BC program BE ACTIVE EVERY DAY challenges kids age 5-11 to be more active and make healthy choices for one hour every day from October 3-28.

Doctors coordinate with local schools to teach kids about health, nutrition, and fitness and how to have fun while doing it.

This year's dancing theme has our Dance Stars showing kids how to keep moving through a series of videos and activities to get them Dance Fit.

Kids will be given activity books to track their progress and help them learn about getting active and making healthy choices.

By sending in pictures or videos of their best dance moves, kids have a chance to have themselves drawn as a Dance Star and have a custom poster printed for them!

How it works:
- Contact Doctors of BC and we'll connect you with a doctor in your community who will host the challenge.
- Doctors of BC will provide you with print and online material to use.
- The doctor will welcome kids to the challenge beginning the week of October 3 with videos and promotional items.
- Kids will have the opportunity to be drawn as a dance star by sending in a picture or video of their best dance moves.
- The final week of October the doctor will celebrate the kids' achievements by printing certificates and encouraging them to continue with their new healthy habit.

For any questions or more information: Please contact Doctors of BC by email beactive@doctorsofbc.ca, or visit doctorsofbc.ca/active.
OUR FIRST YEAR 😊

• Had 21 of our elementary schools take on this challenge, with a total of 30 classes (we included any class that was interested and had some Grade 5’s in it so split classes could join)

• 11 physicians and Public Health were involved in the ‘kick off’ week in doing presentations at all the schools

• Over 850 students (and lots of staff) took the challenge to increase their daily physical activity to one hour each day

• The promotion focused on the 5 – 2 – 1 – 0 approach
AFTER SCHOOL SPORT & ART INITIATIVE

• We are in our fifth year of this program/initiative and it just keeps growing

• The grant is now approximately $80 000 each year and has been consistently this amount for the past three years – this grant comes through the Ministry of Community, Sport, and Cultural Development

• Continue to partner with PacificSport to implement the programming

• Programs are offered in 15 schools in our district; some get art, some get sport, some get both
• The criteria for school selection is very clear – low socioeconomic schools, larger Aboriginal population, and larger immigrant family population

• The staff are trained in High Five; Fundamental Movement Skills; Run, Jump, Throw, Wheel; First Aid; as well as receiving various in-service sessions on group management and building rapport

• Each year we add a new ‘spin’ on things – last year it was adding Recess Guardians and this year it is adding in soccer with the Whitecaps

• Artists are brought in to lead the art programs as well
• Have also added field trips to the experience the last couple of years – have gone swimming, bowling, and to Mount Washington for both ski/snowboard trips as well as hiking and biathlon adventures

• Additional funds have been secured through Canadian Tire Jumpstart to assist schools in receiving some additional sporting and art equipment which is used both by the after school programs as well as by the schools during the regular school day

• We have also applied for additional funds through the Disability Enhancement grants to have additional staffing for students who need the support and through the Canucks Autism Network (CAN) to offer sport programs specifically for children on the autism spectrum
SWIM TO SURVIVE – GR. 3 & GR. 7

• Partnership with the City of Nanaimo and the Lifesaving Society
• Between grants from the Lifesaving Society and funds provided by the city and the school district, provide ‘lifesaving lessons’ for all Grade 3’s and all Grade 7’s in the school district
• Fourth year for Grade 3’s and second year for Grade 7’s
• Barrier free, absolutely no cost to students
• We worked closely with the Lifesaving Society to adapt the last lesson of the Grade 7 set to be done outside at a lake to make it more realistic to the risks
Receiving the cheque from Lifesaving Society!

Practicing a lake rescue
HEALTHY SCHOOLS INQUIRY GRANTS

• As a branch of the Network of Innovation and Inquiry and DASH BC, schools are able to apply for an inquiry grant that focuses on a healthy school question.

• We traditionally have 5 – 7 schools submit inquiry questions each year on topics such as DPA, nutrition, ‘the outdoor classroom’, self-regulation through drumming, etc.

• The grant applications have not yet opened this year but do anticipate supporting schools once again with this process.
REVISED ACTION SCHOOLS

• The whole Action Schools BC initiative that came out back around 2007 has undergone a major review last year and is just coming back out this year – will be working with the team at DASH BC to determine how best to bring it back to Nanaimo-Ladysmith