THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT 68
MINUTES OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE
HELD SEPTEMBER 11, 2013

PRESENT:

Trustees
K. Howland, Chair
B. Bard
J. Brennan
D. Neary
B. Robinson
T. Saunders

Staff
D. Hutchinson, Superintendent/CEO
J. Blain, Deputy Superintendent
R. Gray, Assistant Superintendent
D. Reimer, Director of Communications
C. Kelt, Executive Assistant

Meeting No. E1

ABSENT
D. Allen
N. Curley
S. Welch

IN ATTENDANCE
S. Iverson, NDTA Rep
R. Zver, CUPE Rep
T. McKay, NSAA Rep
A. Cameron, DPAC 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.

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 to the Agenda this
evening.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Brennan
IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Robinson

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E13/09/11-01

That the Agenda be approved.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Bard
IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Brennan

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E13/09/11-02

That the minutes of the Education Committee
Meeting held May 8th be approved as amended.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY
PRESENTATIONS
There were no presentations this evening.

EDUCATIONAL UPDATE – Report from John Blain, Deputy Superintendent
Superintendent John Blain gave an update on several items related to the startup of the school year.
He said there were a number of learning opportunities for principals, vice-principals and teachers at the start of the year. These included the Summer Institute the week before school opening and several sessions for principals and vice-principals in the two weeks before school opening.

Mr. Blain reviewed the preliminary feedback that has been received about the Tuesday, September 3 Success for All Day.

Mr. Blain told the Committee about the work that has been done to help South Wellington students transition to their new schools. The majority of South Wellington parents chose to enrol their children in Chase River Elementary, with some attending North Cedar Intermediate.

He also commented on the transition work that is underway to support Quarterway English students who have moved to neighbouring schools.

Rose Tull & Lynn Brown
Rose Tull & Lynn Brown gave the Committee an overview of some of the topics covered in the Summer Institute held August 27 and 28. They focused on building a community of learners.

DJ Thompson
DJ Thompson told the Committee how inquiry-based learning promotes self-regulation. http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lwCmCJ8OhWY

Neil Varner/Jim O'Rourke
Neil Varner and Jim O'Rourke updated the Committee on the topic of becoming allies in Aboriginal education.

Linda Baldwin - Learning to Read in a Balanced Literacy Environment
Linda Baldwin spoke to the Committee about learning to read in a balanced literacy environment.
CORRESPONDENCE
REFERRED FROM THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING

There was no correspondence referred from the August Board Meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business on the Agenda this evening.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business on the Agenda this evening.

QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions this evening.

ADJOURNMENT

IT WAS MOVED BY Trustee Brennan
IT WAS SECONDED BY Trustee Robinson

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That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.