

# NANAIMO LADYSMITH PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION PUBLIC MEETING ACTION SHEET

DATE:January 26, 2022TO:Board of EducationFROM:Charlene McKay, Board ChairSUBJECT:Strategic Plan Policy

### Recommendation

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That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) adopt Policy 1.2 – Strategic Plan.

# Background

On November 24, 2021 the Board passed the following motion to put the Strategic Plan Policy out to public consultation:

That the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) receive the Draft Strategic Plan Policy and circulate as a notice of motion for 30 days, utilizing the consultation process as per Board Governance, Section 1, 2.7 – Policy Development.

This Action Sheet is intended to outline the feedback and provide the Board next steps.

#### Discussion

The Policy Committee met on January 14, 2022, to discuss the feedback received from the community on the proposed policy. That feedback is attached. While there was not a lot of feedback two issues arose that should be noted. First, concerns were expressed about the broad nature of the policy. Second, concerns were noted about the specificity of data suggested for collection and reporting with respect to the District progress.

The Policy Committee is not recommending changes to the policy. With respect to the broad nature of the policy, the Policy Committee felt that the policy is intended to be broad as it drives the creation of the plan and not the plan itself and a positive aspect of the policy. With respect to the specificity of the data for the District Review Story, the Policy Committee felt that the inclusion of that specificity should be maintained. Maintaining the list (while allowing for additional undetermined data) aligns with the Ministerial Order with respect to FESL and prevents staff from having to create two reports (one a legislative requirement and one for Board policy). This is specifically the case with respect to FSAs. Not only is FSA information required as per FESL it is also required to be delivered in schools. Until the requirement changes the data is a tool that the District must collect and report. It is also important to

note that the District Review Story is only one of the reporting points on the Strategic Plan. There are many other reports and updates to the Board during the school year that are intended to provide information the Board can utilize in evaluating and monitoring the Operational Plan of the superintendent. These reports create an opportunity for the Board to see other data points, such as report cards or percentage of students graduating with an Adult Dogwood Diploma.

## **Conclusion:**

Based on the rationale above, the Policy Committee recommends the passage of the Strategic Plan Policy.

Appendix A: Draft Strategic Plan Policy Feedback Appendix B: Draft Policy 1.2 - Strategic Plan

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