

NANAIMO LADYSMITH PUBLIC SCHOOLS

EDUCATION COMMITTEE
PUBLIC MEETING
ACTION SHEET

DATE: September 8, 2021
TO: Education Committee
FROM: Secretary-Treasurer Mark Walsh
SUBJECT: Policy Committee Work Plan

Recommendation

The Education Committee recommends that the Board of Education of School District No. 68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) approve the Policy Committee Work Plan for 2021-22 as presented.

Background

The Policy Committee has a very successful year in moving the Board's ambitious policy review forward. This Action Sheet outlines the focus of the Policy Committee for the 2021-22 school year.

Discussion:

The Policy Committee Work Plan focuses on continuing from the priorities from 2021-22 with a number of notable additions including:

1. A review of the transportation policy. Currently, at the direction of the Board the AP is under review. Given this, it is an appropriate time to review the Policy.
2. A review of the Board's Governance Policy. This is intended to update the Policy to address a number of gaps that have arisen in Board meetings over the last few years (e.g. clarifications with respect to Robert's Rules, the rise of electronic meetings etc;
3. A review of the Surplus Policy. This is intended to ensure compliance with Ministry of Education direction; and
4. The creation of a Public Disclosure Policy. This is intended to ensure compliance with government direction. Please note that staff are currently getting a clarification on the timing and requirements of the Public Disclosure Policy and its review may be delayed based on that clarification.

It should be noted that the proposed timeline of the work is relatively fluid and therefore only September (Surplus Policy and Strategic Plan) and October (Board Governance Policy, Public Disclosure Policy) are populated. Upon approval of the proposed work plan, the Policy Committee will finalize the tentative schedule at its next meeting.

Appendix A: Policy Committee Work Plan