BOARD OF EDUCATION

Meeting Highlights - February 20, 2024



Board Chair Ciel Patenaude acknowledged that the meeting was being held on the traditional and unceded territory of the Northern Secwepeme People.

STRATEGIC PLANNING FOR LEARNER SUCCESS

We continue to roll out the review of our Strategic Plan through conversations with school-based administration, DPAC, and the FNEC table. Lots of rich feedback on how far we have come and yet how far we still have to go.

CALENDAR REVIEW AND FEEDBACK

With the feedback window closing as we reviewed the 2024-25 Calendar that was approved last spring, we have had limited response, but what response did come in was unanimously positive This is not an everyday/year occurrence. Thank you for taking the time to give it a second look.

HIGH PERFORMING SYSTEMS FOR TOMORROW

On January 26, Superintendent van der Mark joined colleagues, ministry staff, partner groups (FNESC, BCTF) and jurisdictions from the OECD to share successes and challenges in the context of education. It is fascinating to find similarities despite the differences and how we can learn from each other to improve outcomes for kids.

PARTNER LIAISON MEETINGS

On February 8-9, Chair Patenaude, Superintendent van der Mark, and Secretary-Treasurer Hooker were at the Ministry partner meetings with leadership from all 60 districts. It was an excellent opportunity to connect on key issues, including accessibility, the Framework for Enhancing Student Learning, the Tripartite Agreement and the recent announcement regarding cell phones. It's always good to touch base and re-focus.

LEARNING AND LEADERSHIP

On Thursday, February 15, educators, admin, and senior leaders from across the district (as well as visiting districts) gathered at Signal Point to learn with Dylan Wiliam as he returned to our District for the second time. Dylan is an author, researcher, and internationally renowned expert on assessment practices in education. He also provided 2 keynote sessions for educators on Friday, February 16 as part of the Pro-D day.

SECWEPEMC LANGUAGE COURSE

SD27 sponsored staff interested in participating in a Secwepemc language course, offered through the Outdoor Learning Store. 37 staff from across the district, including members of the senior team and Trustee Martens participated in the sessions.

DPAC

On Monday, February 12, Superintendent van der Mark and Director Richardson met with DPAC. Discussions included the cell phone announcement and high school configuration as well as a review of the District Plan for Learner Success, led by Director Richardson.

WORKPLACE CONVERSATIONS

On Tuesday, February 20, SD admin, senior staff and union partners will be participating in facilitated training leading to productive conversations, especially potentially difficult ones. These are excellent skills for all, irrespective of role.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

All motions below were brought forward from committee meetings, presented to the Board of Education and were all unanimously passed.

Finance & Facilities and Transportation Committee

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) proceed with all **three** readings of the approval of an amendment to the 2023/2024 Minor Capital Plan to include an emergent project with unanimous consent on this 20th day of February 2024.

THAT the Board of Education School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) proceed with all **three** readings of the Amended Annual budget bylaw (\$74,536,000) with unanimous consent on this 20th day of February 2024.

Policy Committee

- The February Policy Committee meeting was cancelled.

Education Committee

THAT the Board of Education approve the Board/Authority Authorized Courses, Hockey 11, and Hockey 12 as elective offerings in School District 27.

THAT the Board of Education approves the Board/Authority Authorized Course, Emergency Medical Responder (EMR) 12 as an elective offering in School District 27.

Next Board of Education Meeting - March 12, 2024

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