



MINUTES OF THE NEW WESTMINSTER BOARD OF EDUCATION
EDUCATION POLICY & PLANNING COMMITTEE
HELD TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2016 AT 7:30 P.M.
SCHOOL BOARD OFFICE, 811 ONTARIO STREET, NEW WESTMINSTER

PRESENT: Mr. M. Gifford, Committee Chair Mr. P. Duncan, Superintendent of Schools
Ms. J. Campbell, Board Chair Ms. J. Grant, Associate Superintendent
Mr. C. Cook, Trustee Mr. K. Lorenz, Secretary Treasurer
Mr. M. Ewen, Trustee Ms. M. Naser, Director of Instruction, Learning & Innovation
Mr. J. Janzen, Trustee Mr. C. Nicholson, Director of Instruction, Learning Services
Ms. M. Lalji, Trustee Ms. B. Scott, District Administrator, Programs and Planning
Ms. K. Slade-Kerr, Board Vice Chair Ms. P. Samra, Recording Secretary

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved and Seconded:

THAT the agenda for the September 13, 2016 Open Education Policy and Planning Committee meeting be adopted as presented.

Carried Unanimously.

2. REPORTS FROM SENIOR MANAGEMENT

a) Student Report Card Order

Maryam Naser, Director of Instruction, Learning & Innovation, presented the highlights of the Ministry's recently revised Student Progress Report Order.

b) The Year Ahead

Maryam Naser, Director of Instruction for Learning & Innovation, presented on the plan for the 2016-2017 school year regarding the implementation of the revised curriculum, professional development opportunities, literacy interventions, library learning commons developments, and the collaborative role of child care workers and counsellors in our schools.

Chris Nicholson, Director of Instruction, for Learning Services discussed the opportunity of the District Learning Support Teacher role, professional development opportunities such as the Digital Café series and the Summer Inclusion Institution and the streamlined services processes. Belinda Scott, District Administrator for Programs and Planning, spoke in regards to settlement services offered in the district for new-comers students and families. Janet Grant, Associate Superintendent, discussed the continuance of leadership development opportunities in the district and school learning plans.

3. GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

a) Qayqayt Early Years Centre Open House

Janet Grant, Associate Superintendent, invited and informed the Board of the Qayqayt Early Years Open House taking place on September 27, 2016.

4. **NEW BUSINESS**

Moved and Seconded:

THAT the Education Policy and Planning Committee recommend that the Board of Education for New Westminster School District No. 40 send the revised Gender and Sexual Diversity Inclusion Policy to the Board's Gender and Sexual Diversity Committee for comment and input before sending it out for broader consultation.

Carried Unanimously

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:48 PM.