

Education Committee Meeting Report



May 10, 2023 (4:01 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.)

Trustees in Attendance: Anne Kohut, (Chaired Mtg.) Mary Forbes, Mike Franklin.

TEAMS: Ciel Patenaude

Regrets: Willow Macdonald

Staff: Superintendent / Acting ST Chris van der Mark, Deputy Superintendent Cheryl Lenardon, Directors of Instruction Sean Cameron, Cathy van der Mark, Anita Richardson, Executive Assistant Jodi Symmes.

Agenda Item	Notes	Action
Acknowledgment of Traditional Territory		
1. April 12, 2023, Committee Report	The committee reviewed the report and recommended no changes.	None.
2. Presentations	<p>Ms. Beulah Munson gave a presentation on Changing Possibilities for Young Children within the District. SD27 has been taking part for the past three-years. This project was introduced provincially in 2017. The Early Learning Framework, which is the foundational document for the project, was re-worked in 2018. The project participants are encouraged to “step back,” and look at how far their wonderchild have come in the journey. Michelle Noskey ECE from Little Moccasins/Little Mukluks spoke about the benefits of the program across the communities that she has seen and worked with.</p> <p>District Principal David Corbett gave a presentation on 2023 Heavy Metal Rocks, a course on heavy duty equipment. Taking place were hands on simulations with BC Hydro and Fortis, showing all facets of the set/uptake down of a site. A short summary of the events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 Programs; April 26-29 and May 4-5 focusing on logging, mining, and civil construction. • Student groups of 22 and 12 - 1st aid, site Ready B.C and WHMIS. • Involved were 2 schools, 2 gravel pits, 6 days, 6 awards totaling \$1500.00, • The course involved 34 students, 34 machines, 45 leaders & trainers and 65 businesses!! • 2 happy but exhausted SD27 Career Programs workers!!! <p>Another incredibly successful year. Link to MHR Photos</p>	None. Information only.

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3. Early Learning	Director of Instruction, Inclusive Education, Cathy van der Mark reviewed many of the details SD27 is actively involved in as part of our Transfer Under Agreement with Ministry of Education and Child Care. Happy that we have Strong Start programs in Schools.	None. Information only.								
4. Accessible BC	Director of Instruction, Inclusive Education, van der Mark provided a high-level update on the Accessible BC Act that came into force September 1, 2022. We now have a September 1, 2023, deadline to have an Accessibility Committee, a plan, and a mechanism for providing feedback in place for the school district. In the North – we will have an advisory committee that will provide guidance on the work districts will need to undertake to ensure everyone who interacts with our organizations can do so without barriers. We have a strong working relationship with our colleagues in the North	None. Information only.								
5. Strategic Plan Reflections	Superintendent van der Mark, reviewed the Districts Strategic Plan. SD27 had created a robust and ambitious plan as part of the overhaul of organizational and educational function. We have remarkable evidence of growth across all domains, and many of these examples have been shared with the Board through school plans, learning initiatives and other presentations. We continue to see improvement with regards to student success and completion. Although we see student and staff growth there is much more to do. The Board will begin the work next year for the next iteration of the plan beginning in the 2024-2025 school year.	None. Information only.								
6. Proposed Future Meeting Dates										
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