

Minutes



Policy Committee Meeting

Date: February 7, 2017
Time: 3:40 to 5:10 p.m.
Location: Abbotsford School District Administration Office

TRUSTEES IN ATTENDANCE: Cindy Schafer, Committee Chair
Phil Anderson
Freddy Latham
Shirley Wilson

REGRETS: Rhonda Pauls
Stan Petersen
Preet Rai

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE: Kevin Godden, Superintendent
Ray Velestuk, Secretary-Treasurer
Cheryl McLeod, Recording Secretary

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Schafer called the meeting to order at 3:40 pm.

2.0 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

2.1 Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting held November 8, 2016.

The Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting held November 8, 2016 were approved to be presented at the Regular (Public) Meeting of February 21, 2017.

3.0 POLICY DEVELOPMENT PLAN

3.1 Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity (SOGI) Policy

The Superintendent developed a chart to ensure the District satisfies the ministerial requirements outlined in the updated Provincial Standards for Codes of Conduct Order. The Committee reviewed the chart and sample documents from two nearby districts. The Committee agreed that the draft Policy, with amendments as discussed in this meeting, will be brought to the next In Camera Meeting for approval before being moved to the Public Agenda. The amended Administrative Procedure will be included as well.

The Committee also reviewed the draft Code of Conduct poster and recommended two changes.

4.0 GOVERNANCE POLICIES

There were no governance policies presented.

However, an updated Policy Review Schedule will be provided at the Policy Meeting on April 7, 2017. Policy 13 - Recruitment was moved forward to the Policy Agenda for April 7, 2017.

5.0 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

5.1 AP 336 Student Registration & School Catchment Areas

Superintendent Godden provided the most recent updates of Administrative Procedure 336 and reviewed the changes one-by-one. These amendments were added to further clarify the language regarding the grandfathering priority for students. Students who will be simultaneously attending the same school as an older sibling will be given priority placement over new applicants. Superintendent Godden also pointed out the changes for forced transfer students, which are in effect only for the immediate school year. At the end of the year, they return to their catchment school.

6.0 CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence presented.

7.0 ISSUES FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION

There were no issues for future discussion presented.

8.0 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:10 pm.