



REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2020
6:00 PM
via ZOOM

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Meeting ID: 636 602 3344

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL TERRITORY

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Recommendation:

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 69 (Qualicum) adopt the agenda as presented (*or, as amended*).

4. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes: November 24, 2020 p 1-9
- b. Ratification of In Camera Board Meeting Minutes: November 24, 2020 p 10
- c. Receipt of Reports from Trustee Representatives
 - French Language Advisory Committee – Trustee Young p 11
 - Oceanside Building Learning Together – Trustee Young p 12
 - BCSTA Trustee Academy – Trustee Young p 13-14
- d. Receipt of Status of Action Items – December 2020 p 15

Recommendation:

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 69 (Qualicum) approve the consent agenda items of the Regular Board Meeting of December 15, 2020, as presented (*or, as amended*).

5. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS (10 MINUTES EACH)

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a. Exploration of Community Schools Concept

(Trustee Austin)

Rationale:

Community members presented the community school concept to the board at the November regular public board meeting. Though the concept is not new and has been tried in our district in the past, it is worth revisiting as the district has seen changes to local populations, school configuration, evolving levels of community services, etc. Considering the implementation and operations of a community school may not be an additional cost to the district, it is a concept worth further investigation.

Recommendation:

THAT the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) requests staff to further explore the community school concept and to bring a report back to the board through the Finance & Operations Committee before the end of this school year.

7. **MOUNT ARROWSMITH TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION**
8. **CANADIAN UNION OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES (LOCAL 3570)**
9. **DISTRICT PARENTS ADVISORY COUNCIL**
10. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS (WRITTEN)**
11. **ACTION ITEMS**
12. **INFORMATION ITEMS**
 - a. **Superintendent's Report** *(Keven Elder)*
 - b. **Educational Programs Update** *(Gillian Wilson/Vivian Collyer)*
 - c. **DRAFT 2021-2022 Budget Process Schedule** *(Ron Amos)* **p 16**
13. **EDUCATION COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT** *(Trustee Godfrey)*
No Report
14. **POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT** *(Trustee Young)*
No Report
15. **FINANCE & OPERATIONS COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT** *(Trustee Flynn)*
No Report
16. **REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE ORGANIZATIONS**
None
17. **TRUSTEE ITEMS**
 - a. **Cancellation of 2020/2021 Foundation Skills Assessment** *(Trustee Kurland)*
Recommendation:
THAT the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) write a letter to the Minister of Education reiterating its original motion to cancel the Foundation Skills Assessment (FSA) testing for 2020/21, as the conditions under which the assessment is given have not changed and the results will be skewed and have no value, and to request a timely response.

b. Board of Education Scholarships *(Trustee Flynn)*

Recommendation:

THAT the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) allocate \$6000.00 for the Board of Education Scholarships with \$2000.00 going to each of Ballenas Secondary and Kwalikum Secondary Schools and \$1000 going to each of Parksville Alternate Secondary School (PASS) and the Collaborative Education Alternative Program (CEAP).

c. Pedestrian Safety at Moilliet and Despard *(Trustee Flynn)*

Recommendation:

THAT The Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) approach the City of Parksville with a request that the City attend to pedestrian safety at the intersection of Moilliet Street and Despard Avenue.

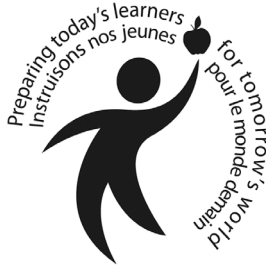
18. NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS

19. BOARD CORRESPONDENCE AND MEDIA *(Trustee Flynn)*

- a. **Letter from Oceanside Health & Wellness Network** p 17
- b. **Letter to Parliamentary Secretary – New Economy re Track Renewal** p 18
- c. **Letter to Minister of Education re International Student Program** p 19
- d. **Letter to Minister of Education, Minister of Children & Family Development, and Minister of State for Child Care re Support for Seamless Child Care** p 20-21

20. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

21. ADJOURNMENT



REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2020
6:00 PM
VIA ZOOM

ATTENDEES

Trustees

Eve Flynn	Chairperson
Julie Austin	Vice-Chairperson
Laura Godfrey	Trustee
Barry Kurland	Trustee
Elaine Young	Trustee

Administration

Keven Elder	Superintendent of Schools
Gillian Wilson	Associate Superintendent of Schools
Ron Amos	Secretary Treasurer
Vivian Collyer	Director of Instruction
Chris Dempster	General Manager of Operations
John Williams	Principal, Qualicum Beach Elementary School Qualicum District Principals/Vice Principals' Association

Education Partners

Mount Arrowsmith Teachers' Association (MATA)
 District Parents Advisory Council (DPAC)
 Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) Local 3570

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Flynn called the zoom meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL TERRITORY

Chair Flynn acknowledged that the Board was meeting via zoom on the unceded territory of the Coast Salish people and thanked the Snaw-Naw-As (Nanoose) and Qualicum First Nations for allowing the district to live, work and play on their lands.

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

20-124R

Moved: Trustee Kurland *Seconded:* Trustee Godfrey

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 69 (Qualicum) adopt the agenda as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes: October 27, 2020
- b. Ratification of In Camera Board Meeting Minutes: October 27, 2020
- c. Receipt of Reports from Trustee Representatives
 - Oceanside Building Learning Together Coalition – Trustee Young
 - Community Track at Ballenas Steering Committee – Trustee Young
- d. Receipt of Status of Action Items – November 2020

20-125R

Moved: Trustee Godfrey *Seconded:* Trustee Young

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 69 (Qualicum) approve the consent agenda items of the Regular Board Meeting of November 24, 2020, as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS**a. BC Community Schools Advisory Committee (BCCSAC)**

Bill Preston, Chair of the BCCSAC, and Suhk Shergill, Contractor, Business Intelligence and Strategy at the United Way of the Lower Mainland, provided an overview of the priorities of the BCCSA, the 4 models of community engaged schools in BC and the potential benefits to the broader community. They expressed their hope that the presentation would begin dialogue about the possibility of community schools becoming a part of the district in the future. It was noted that new funding would follow any decisions to explore and engage in having community schools.

- i. **Notice of Motion** Trustee Austin presented a Notice of Motion for the December Meeting asking the board to support continued exploration of the community school concept through the district's existing Committees of Whole.

Associate Superintendent Wilson noted that the district currently has good collaboration with a number of agencies and not-for-profits in the community and suggested that there be clarification as to whether, in the event that the United Way and BCCSAC provide additional funding, it would be through existing not-for-profits in order to hire a community schools coordinator or if this would be a separate society through the United Way. Chair Flynn advised that, should the board decide to support the concept, it could then be determined what would work best for the district as to how community schools would be managed.

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

None

7. MOUNT ARROWSMITH TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION (MATA)

Deb Comer, President, commented on the following:

- Delivery of BCTF 3-ply face masks to teachers.
- Appreciation to teachers of the professionalism and pride they take in creating safe, caring spaces where they put aside their own concerns in order to be present and available for their students.

- Gratitude for the care and concern in the actions of senior staff and principals/vice principals with the announcement of the recent COVID exposure.
- Appreciation to the CUPE Custodial staff to ensure thorough cleaning in the high schools between Quarters and additional fogging of the affected areas of the school with the COVID exposure.
- Suggestions for the district to exceed standards and protocols to ensure safety with regard to COVID.

8. CANADIAN UNION OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES (CUPE) LOCAL 3570

Sherrie Brown, President, commented on the following:

- Appreciation for the actions of senior staff and principals/vice principals to follow the plan after the announcement of the recent COVID exposure. The event caused angst and uneasiness amongst CUPE members.
- Suggestions that the district consider creating its own standards, including changes to how the communication is shared when an exposure is identified.

9. DISTRICT PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (DPAC)

Andrea Button, President, commented on the following:

- A cheque has been provided from DPAC to the District 69 Backpack Program to support families in need.
- Support for all students in all classrooms to wear masks at all times to help protect both staff and students.

10. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS (RELATED TO AGENDA ITEMS)

None

11. ACTION ITEMS

None

12. INFORMATION ITEMS

a. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Elder reported on the following:

- The district continues to follow the protocols of the Medical Health Officer and there are places where the district does exceed those expectations. Senior staff we will continue to review and discuss those protocols and continue to refine them. Masks are being work where required.
- The district is proud of the work being done by district teachers and support staff for students whose parents have chosen home support.
- The district is considering ways for children to still have fun at school i.e. music and sports; however, the district must be extremely careful to offer any activities within the protocols.
- The district has done as much as it can regarding communication with a Q&A held between the Qualicum and Nanaimo-Ladysmith Superintendents and Dr. Sandra Allison, Central Island Medical Health Officer, and all parties continue to explore ways to improve safety. He appreciated the comments from partners and those will provide more topics for discussion.

- Review of the process undertaken to advise staff, parents and students, as well as the community, when a specific exposure in the district was identified on November 23, which was concluded within 3 hours. Staff will take the cautions from feedback received since and will continue to discuss the lessons learned from that occurrence.
- He was pleased to participate in the Jointly Convened Annual Meeting with Gillian Wilson, Associate Superintendent, and Rosie McLeod-Shannon, District Principal of Indigenous Education, which was hosted by the Ministry of Education, the First Nations Education Steering Committee (FNESC) and Indigenous Services Canada (ISC). This is a half day meeting convened from the BC Tripartite Education Agreement to discuss topics related to supporting First Nation student success.
- He commended the work of everyone involved in a variety of professional learning opportunities.
- The Framework for Enhancing Student Learning continues to be a priority in the district and there are a lot of high quality examples being undertaken without undue pressure added to the system.
- The District Student Leadership Meeting has been scheduled for December 1, 2020, with topics ranging from climate action to the international student program to how students are finding their way through the pandemic.

b. Education Update

Gillian Wilson, Associate Superintendent, reported on the following:

- Door decorating event held at École Oceanside Elementary School with students engaging in an excited yet calm matter while wearing masks and practicing social distancing. This is one example of how schools are doing what they can to normalize some routines and events for students.
- She credited the principals and vice principals for their supports to take care of teachers and support staff, which positively impacts students.
- At a counsellors meeting held earlier in the week, counsellors expressed concerns for the adults in the system and are providing support with assistance from the District's Health & Wellness Coordinator where they can as are MATA and CUPE.
- There are also comes concerns about home support and about families who are not yet engaged who have opted for the home support model yet are not engaging in a fulsome way.
- She acknowledged the work everyone is doing in this unprecedented time to normalize the learning environment as much as possible for students.

Vivian Collyer, Director of Instruction, reported on the following:

- The Home Support option is ongoing and she is ensuring that there are regular check-ins with the home support teachers. They are currently thinking about assessment and looking forward to having parent conferences to discuss students' goals for this year. Schools are trying a variety of ways to connect with those who are not as engaged and determining strategies for those students.
- Ballenas Secondary School has found some French tutors interested in working with French Immersion students at Oceanside Elementary School and who are on home support to assist with homework and to practice their French language skills. She is also in the process of setting up Rosetta Stone accounts to help students maintain their French language skills for the year.

- The Assessment, Evaluation, and Communicating Student Learning Committees are continuing their meetings this year. Mark McInnes, Vice Principal, and Tandy Gunn, District Principal for Learning, also coordinated and facilitated a session on November 23rd for teachers new to the district and new career teachers on how the district approaches assessment here. A lot of positive feedback was received for the session. The district continues to develop its progressive assessment practices and to participate in and inform provincial directions as part of the Ministry's Reporting Pilot group.
- Staff are also in the midst of two district Numeracy Series, which include 33 elementary and 20 secondary teachers. Two sessions have been completed for each series and the third and fourth sessions are scheduled for December with Math consultant Jeannie DeBoice.

13. EDUCATION COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT

Trustee Godfrey referred to her report as provided in the agenda package noting the recommendation regarding the International Student Program (ISP) was drafted with assistance from the principals of the ISP program.

20-126R

Moved: Trustee Godfrey *Seconded:* Trustee Young

THAT the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) write a letter to the Minister of Education requesting the ability for each school district in the province to have the opportunity to offer BC curriculum courses via their own Distributed Learning Programs in order to support international students who have applied to the district and are living abroad.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

It was suggested that the Board could advocate for all BC Boards through the Vancouver Island School Trustees Association and the BC School Trustees Association.

Trustee Godfrey then referred to the District 69 Backpack Program presentation by Virginia Worcester, who began the program in 1997 as the "All They Want for Christmas" campaign and who has continued to support and expand the program. It is amazing to have a parent step forward like that and continue with something that has such an impact on our families. The fundraising partnership she has with various organizations, businesses and artists is inspiring and the Board is very thankful for her dedication to the students in the district.

14. POLICY COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT

a. Board Policy 602: Exempt Staff Supplementary Employment Benefits

20-127R

Moved: Trustee Young *Seconded:* Trustee Austin

THAT the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) approve first reading to adopt Board Policy 602: *Exempt Staff Supplementary Employment Benefits* and its attendant Administrative Procedures at its Regular Board Meeting of November 24, 2020.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b. Board Policy 606: Respectful Workplaces (NEW)**20-128R**

Moved: Trustee Young *Seconded:* Trustee Austin

THAT the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) approve second reading to adopt Board Policy 606: *Respectful Workplaces* and its attendant Administrative Procedures at its Regular Board Meeting of November 24, 2020.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

c. Board Policy 106: Financial Reporting and Operating Surpluses

(Previously 4005 and 4006)

20-129R

Moved: Trustee Young *Seconded:* Trustee Godfrey

THAT the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) approve second reading to adopt Board Policy 106: *Financial Reporting and Operating Surpluses* and its attendant Administrative Procedures at its Regular Board Meeting of November 24, 2020.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

d. Board Policy 108: School Generated Funds

(replaces 4008 and incorporates AP Fundraising)

20-130R

Moved: Trustee Young *Seconded:* Trustee Kurland

THAT the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) approve second reading to adopt Board Policy 108: *School Generated Funds* and its attendant Administrative Procedures at its Regular Board Meeting of November 24, 2020.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

e. Board Policy 509: Educational Changes Due to Emergencies (NEW)**20-131R**

Moved: Trustee Young *Seconded:* Trustee Kurland

THAT the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) approve third and final reading to adopt Board Policy 509: *Educational Changes Due to Emergencies* and its attendant Administrative Procedures at its Regular Board Meeting of November 24, 2020.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

15. FINANCE & OPERATIONS COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT

Chair Flynn referred to her report as provided in the agenda package.

20-132R

Moved: Trustee Flynn *Seconded:* Trustee Young

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 69 (Qualicum) receive the Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) Report for the year ended June 30, 2020.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

It was clarified that the next motion would initiate conversations that the board will have with community and within the context of the committees of the whole. It is to determine the ideological and philosophical perspective of where the board is coming from in terms of its land use and the discussion will strengthen the District perspective.

20-133R

Moved: Trustee Flynn *Seconded:* Trustee Austin

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 69 (Qualicum) discuss the future use of surplus land owned by the Board.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

16. REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE ORGANIZATIONS

No Reports

17. TRUSTEE ITEMS**a. Creation of a Social Justice Working Group**

Trustee Young spoke to her rationale as provided on the agenda. She then quotes the mandate from an Conseil des écoles publiques de l'Est de l'Ontario (CEPEO) systemic equity and human rights advisory committee, which she believes encapsulates what she believes would be the mandate of the working group.

Trustees discussed the proposal and, while in favour, cautioned the timing and approach used to avoid additional pressures on staff. The idea would be to create the working group based on the model of the district's Climate Action Task Force and Track Renewal Steering Committee, with the groundwork being laid by trustees and community members prior to becoming an action oriented group and potentially a committee of the board.

20-134R

Moved: Trustee Young *Seconded:* Trustee Austin

THAT the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) establish a working group, with membership from all parts of the Oceanside community including students, parents, school district employees and community members, to develop a collaborative action plan to move toward socially just schools and community. This group would be co-chaired by two School Trustees with support of Senior Management and would provide regular reports to the Regular Board meeting, including any recommendations for action.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Superintendent Elder also cautioned the board with respect to the timelines for even creating the working group. It may be more than the system can take right now and trustees were urged to find the right time to take the first step given where things are with the pandemic.

b. Community Track at Ballenas Steering Committee

Trustee Young provided a summary of the meeting held earlier in the day. She had reported the change in scope of the project to the committee and an updated report from Koers & Associates Engineering Ltd was received with preliminary design options for a 6 and 8-lane track.

20-135R

Moved: Trustee Young *Seconded:* Trustee Austin

THAT the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) expand the membership on the Oceanside Track at Ballenas Steering Committee to include representatives from the City of Parksville and Town of Qualicum Beach.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

20-136R

Moved: Trustee Young *Seconded:* Trustee Godfrey

THAT the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) create a 6-lane levelled accessible track at Ballenas Secondary School at a cost of \$1.44 million.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Trustee Young then advised that a GoFundMe page has been set up and a PowerPoint presentation is being drafted as part of the fundraising efforts. She suggested that the PowerPoint be presented at the December board meeting. Student involvement is also being sought to assist with on-line media promotion. A fundraiser is also being planned and the goal is for the funding for the project will be realized in 6-8 months.

c. Climate Action Task Force (CATForce) Report

Trustee Austin provided a summary of topics discussed at the Climate Action Task Force held on Wednesday, November 18, 2020. One of the topics was the creation of a Climate Action Plan for the district and Trustees Austin and Kurland will write the first draft to be worked on with members of the task force prior to being presented to the Education and Finance & Operations Committees of the Whole and then to the Board table.

During a conversation with Sarah Chezick of the Arrowsmith Groundwater Alliance to talk about things to operationalize in the district, education was top on the list so that may be incorporated as part of climate action plan. This would provide another way to incorporate student involvement and allow them to have a voice. Another is to continue to support the Vote16 youth-led initiative to have governments recognize that youth are willing and able and up to the task of voting at age 16.

Trustee Kurland then advised that, at the CATForce meeting, he had introduced a link to the Youth Advisory Group on Climate Change, suggesting that each of the 7 members might be contacted to engage in short zoom talks to the task force and to staff and students in the district. It was apparent during the CATForce meeting that the energy level for climate action is increasing and the district task force is well-positioned to begin to compile different ideas and act on different initiatives.

d. Notice of Motion

Trustee Kurland advised that he would be bringing forward a motion to the December meeting for the Board to write a letter to the Minister of Education to cancel the Foundation Skills Assessment testing which was postponed in the fall to a February date given the continuation of the current pandemic.

18. NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

19. BOARD CORRESPONDENCE AND MEDIA

None

20. PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

Trustees and Senior Staff received comments and/or answered questions regarding the following topics:

- Scheduled dates of the February Foundation Skills Assessment and timing of the letter to the Minister requesting it be cancelled.

21. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Godfrey moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 p.m.

CHAIRPERSON

SECRETARY TREASURER



IN-CAMERA MEETING

SECTION 72 REPORT
November 24, 2020

ATTENDEES:

Trustees

Eve Flynn	Chairperson
Julie Austin	Vice Chairperson
Elaine Young	Trustee
Laura Godfrey	Trustee
Barry Kurland	Trustee

Administration

Dr. Keven Elder	Superintendent of Schools
Ron Amos	Secretary Treasurer
Gillian Wilson	Associate Superintendent

The Board of Education discussed the following topics:

- Labour Relations/Personnel
- Legal

The Board of Education approved motions regarding the following topics:

- Labour Relations/Personnel

Chairperson

Secretary Treasurer



SD69 QUALICUM

Board and Trustee Representative Committee Report

Trustee Representative: R. Elaine Young
Committee Name: French Advisory Council
Meeting Location: Zoom
Meeting Time: November 30, 2020

Mandate – FAC provides advice, recommendations and feedback to senior staff on matters relating to French language programs in the District.

Role - FAC meets at least three times each year to discuss strategic priorities as they relate to funding allocation and program development:

- To promote and support French Language learning in SD69
- To support relevant, accessible, high quality FSL programs that optimize resources and appropriately complement district programming
- To help integrate FSL program guidelines within the district's learning framework, as well as serve as a forum for ongoing sharing of perspectives on program directions to ensure our district programs align with federal funding guidelines

Attendees: Brayden Gordon, Rudy Terpstra, Francois Provencher, Angela Dodd, Catherine Buchanan, Elaine Young, Andrea Button, Debbie Comer, Greer Cummings, Vivian Collyer

1. School Updates:

- a) École Secondaire Ballenas Secondary School – Francois and Rudy
 - Updated on the scope and sequence of French Immersion.
 - Students are providing peer support to younger students.
- b) École Oceanside Elementary School – Angela and Brayden
 - Teachers in FI are meeting to discuss resources etc.
 - Could use more peer tutors and more structure as to what they should do.
 - Students appear happy and settled although a few have left do to the increase in COVID in the mid-island area.

2. District Update:

- Resources described and delivery dates reported

3. DL

- Discussion about FI tab on District Website – Motion: to recommend creation of the tab. Discussion and decision – motion defeated. EOES and EBSS will add a French Immersion Portal on the school websites with resource links updated on a regular basis.

Next Meeting – Early 2021



Board and Trustee Representative Committee Report

SD69 QUALICUM

Trustee Representative: R. Elaine Young
Committee Name: Oceanside Building Learning Together Coalition
Meeting Location: Zoom
Meeting Time: Noon December 3 2020

Mission Statement:

Building Learning Together Early Years Coalition focuses on encouraging healthy relationships with families, with each other, and with community as it relates to the importance of early learning and successful development for young children.

Our Vision:

Thriving children, families and community

Our Goals:

1. Community Collaboration and Engagement
2. Decrease SD69 EDI Reported Vulnerabilities

In Attendance (Agency list):

Oceanside Building Learning Together; School District 69; SOS; Island Health (Dental); RDN Recreation; Child and Youth Mental Health; Parent Support Services; Arrowsmith Community Recreation Association(ACRA)

All agencies updated programs and this information is listed on agency and OBLT websites.

1. Follow up first 2000 days conference
 - Evaluations being gathered as well as reports from networks and Planning team to meet on December 16 to outline further steps. These will be brought to networks in early 2021.
 - *Nurturing Empathy in Uncertain Times* YouTube video is worth watching. Roots of Empathy focusing on young children.
2. COVID Implications of new health guidelines on organizations
 - RDN -- Pool and arena are open, many programs going virtual and still restructuring other events. Promoting outdoor activities.
 - OBLT – lowered occupancy in programs even further. Masks are mandatory for adults and recommended for those over 2 years old.
 - ACRA – Sole Sisters still running with reduced capacity. Other programs at the end of their cycle.
 - SD69 – On-line registration for Kindergarten will happen in January. Exploring the tech. options for parents.
 - Parent Support Group – Nothing in person. All services through zoom, email or phone.
 - SOS – Delivering food, crafts etc. Reaching more families with in-person services on hold.
3. Childcare (SD69/OBLT)
 - Arrowview childcare centre has gone to tender
 - Mid-Island Childcare Assessment will have their final report in the new year.

Next meeting – January 2021



SD69 QUALICUM

Board and Trustee Representative Committee Report

Trustee Representative: R. Elaine Young
Committee Name: BCSTA Trustee Academy (Our Professional Development)
Meeting Location: Zoom and Whova
Meeting Time: November 27 and 28

This report focuses only on the presentations. Other events also happened, and more information is available from Trustees Reporting.

Keynote: Core Governance in School Boards: Surviving and Leveraging COVID 19

Michael Fullan (Co-leader New Pedagogies for Deep Learning)

- There is a gap between how schools are organized and how we learn. Education has been stalled. COVID 19 has led to some good and some bad ideas.
- Good Ideas include elevating technology (hybrid learning); competency-based assessment; authentic experiences based on student choice; parents as partners.

Plenary 1: Provincial Health Officer: COVID 19 Response in the K-12 Sector

Dr. Reka Gustafson (V.P. Public Health and wellness; Deputy Health Officer B.C.)

- Update on COVID response as related to schools.

Plenary 2: Addressing Racism in an Inclusive Education Model

Irvine Carvery (Director YMCA Greater Halifax/Dartmouth; Pres. Africville Genealogy Soc.)

- History of Black settlement in Nova Scotia
- Measures to offset colonization have been set in place based on the BLAC report
- (I have an e-copy of the report for holiday reading!)

Concurrent District/Branch Discussions: Racism, What can Boards do??

Eve Flynn, Elaine Young and Julie Austin

- Further discussions about moving forward from our work on social justice.
- Report out to VISTA Branch.

Plenary 3: The Future of Education is Each One Teach One

Jesse Hirsh (Futurist/Digital Strategist Metaviews Media Management Ltd.)

- In a new vision of education, using technology to source content and using the classroom to process and discuss. This future is here now...everyone needs to learn about how to effectively and critically use technology.

Minister of Education Introduction

Hon. Jennifer Whiteside (MLA New Westminster)

- After only 48 hours on the job...An introduction to her background as a chief negotiator for the HEU and her interest in education.

Plenary 4: Enhancing Student Learning

(Ministry of Education Speakers)

- Boards will focus on Multi-year Strategic Planning that are outcome focused; alignment to budgets/operational plans; commitment to Indigenous reconciliation; continuous improvement
- Outcome and measures will focus on each student becoming an educated citizen (Intellectual; social/emotional; and career development)
Ministry arguments for the continued use of FSA's

Plenary 5: Mental Health in School Strategy

(Jennifer McCrea, Assistant Deputy Minister, MoE; Gail Markin Social/Emotional Learning support K-12 SD35 Langley; Laura Dixon)

- 3 pillars to understand mental health – Social/emotional learning; Trauma Informed Practice; and Mental Health Literacy. Delivered through the PHE and integrated into all subjects through the core competencies. Use of the Indigenous ways of learning.

Plenary 6: Panel Discussion on Mental Health Literacy

(Wendy Carr UBC Fac. of Education; Andrew Baxter Alberta Mental Health Project Lead Alberta Health Services)

- Importance of using a common language that differentiates levels of intensity and matches the need to the clinician. Importance of using the same tools to identify mental health issues based on the average age of on-set.

SCHOOL DISTRICT 69 (QUALICUM)

STATUS OF ACTION ITEMS

Action Item	Responsibility	Status	Proposed Deadline
<p>Creation of Social Justice Working Group November 24, 2020 THAT, the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) establish a working group, with membership from all parts of the Oceanside community including students, parents, school district employees and community members, to develop a collaborative action plan to move toward socially just schools and community. This group would be co-chaired by two School Trustees with support of Senior Management and would provide regular reports to the Regular Board meeting, including any recommendations for action</p>	Trustees		TBD
<p>Letter to Premier re Seamless Childcare Proposal October 27, 2020 THAT the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) write a letter to the Premier to support, in principle, the concept of the seamless child care initiative proposed by CUPEBC</p>	Board Chair	Awaiting confirmation of cabinet appointments	Completed
<p>Codes of Conduct Working Group September 22, 2020 THAT the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) ask senior staff to create a working group, which includes student and parent advisory council representatives, to work on the School Codes of Conduct</p>	Senior Staff		Spring 2021
<p>Use of Common Space for Artwork March 10, 2020 THAT the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) ask staff to work with Parksville Civic and Technology Centre partners to develop a plan and process to allow the display of wall art from SD69 students, VIU students and community members in the communal areas of the building; and, THAT this process may serve as a vehicle for installation art, be it temporary or permanent.</p>	Senior Staff	Deferred due to COVID	TBD
<p>Climate Action Symposium December 17, 2019 THAT the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) support a task force initiative to host a Climate Action Symposium in the spring of 2020</p>	Climate Action Task Force Members	Has been decided to move timeline from spring 2020 to fall 2020 Will now depend on status of pandemic	TBD

2021-2022 Budget Process Schedule

January/February: Senior Staff Compile Enrolment Projections & Staffing Needs

February 2, 2021	Monthly Administrators Meeting	Time: 1:30 pm
Location:	ZOOM	
Purpose:	To review Year to Date for 2020-2021, provide a general overview to 2021-2022 including projections and general staffing levels, discuss budget meeting schedule, discuss obligations and restraints, and identify two PVP to attend Feb 20 Budget Discussion with Stakeholders	

Compile List of Priorities/Options/Staffing Needs Due to Projections

February 10, 2021	Trustees/Senior Staff Budget Working Session	Time: 2:00 to 4:00 pm
Location:	ZOOM	
Purpose:	Budget goal-setting exercise	

February 17/2021	Budget Discussion - Trustees/District and School Administration meet with MATA/CUPE/DPAC Representatives	Time: 1:00 to 3:00 pm
Location:	ZOOM	
Purpose:	To review Year to Date for 2020-2021, provide a general overview to 2021-2022 which will include projections, staffing levels, obligations and restraints and will also allow for stakeholder input. Members of the public are welcome to attend and provide comments/ask questions at the end of the meeting.	

February 17/20	Staff/Public Budget Information Sessions with Trustees and Senior Staff	Time: 5:00 pm
Location:	ZOOM	
Purpose:	Following the input received from the stakeholders meeting earlier in the day, attendees will receive the same overview and have an opportunity to provide the Board with input as to District budget priorities.	

February 23, 2021	Regular Board Meeting	Time: 6:00 pm
Location:	ZOOM	

March 6/2021	Departments Submit Draft Budgets to Secretary-Treasurer	
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March 9/2021	Regular Board Meeting	Time: 6:00 pm
Location:	ZOOM	

March 13/20 Funding Announcement

March 16-27 Spring Break Period

April 6/2021	Monthly Administrators Meeting	Time: 1:30 pm
Location:	ZOOM	
Purpose:	All administrative staff to review revised funding and priority list	

April 13/2021	Trustees/District and School Administration meet with MATA/CUPE/DPAC Representatives	Time: 1:00 to 3:00 pm
Location	ZOOM	
Purpose:	To review draft budgets in comparison to preliminary revenues. Members of the public are welcome to attend and provide comments/ask questions at the end of the meeting.	

Additional Board/Senior Staff Budget Discussions as Required

April 20/2021	Location: Special Public Budget Meeting	Time: 6:00 pm
Location:	ZOOM	
Purpose:	To review draft budget	

April 27/2021	Regular Board Meeting	Time: 6:00 pm
Location:	ZOOM	
Purpose:	Adopt 2021-2022 Preliminary Annual Operating Budget	



November 23, 2020

Chair
School District 69
100 Jensen Ave. E.
Parksville, BC
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Dear Ms. Flynn:

We hope you enjoyed our recent forum – The First 2000 Days – Tipping the Scale and Beyond. The Oceanside Community Health & Wellness Network (OHWN) was the sponsoring partner for the event. Developing action tables to collaboratively support community initiatives is a main objective of our community health and wellness network.

OHWN continues to grow and flourish and is taking significant steps to improve health outcomes for the citizens in the Oceanside Communities. The leadership and expertise at the table are integral to the success of the work undertaken by the Network as we work towards improving complex social and health concerns. School District 69 plays a key role in helping us move forward.

We would like to invite School District 69 to join the OHWN Circle of Partners (CoP) table and we respectfully ask that a School Board Trustee be appointed to our CoP.

We meet monthly on the third Thursday of each month on the Zoom platform for the time being. If you are able to send a representative from School District 69 please contact Jane Vinet at info.ohwn@gmail.com and a package providing background information on OHWN will be provided. You may also contact Jane Vinet directly at 250-739-1755.

Sincerely,

Gerry Herkel,
Chair, Circle of Partners
Oceanside Health & Wellness Network



SCHOOL DISTRICT No.69 (QUALICUM)

November 27, 2020

Honourable Adam Walker
MLA Parksville-Qualicum
Parliamentary Secretary – New Economy

via email: Adam.Walker.mla@leg.bc.ca

Dear Honourable Walker:

On behalf of the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) I would like to congratulate you on being elected as MLA for the Parksville-Qualicum riding and your appointment as Parliamentary Secretary - New Economy.

While we look forward to working with you on every aspect of the services and supports that we provide to children and families we also have one project that we would like to highlight.

As you know, our Board has taken the lead on a community project to upgrade the track at Ballenas Secondary School as a resource for the health and well-being of all citizens in our extended community. We would appreciate an opportunity to discuss this with you and to see in what ways we can work together in advancing this project as a priority at the provincial level through your work in government.

Again, our congratulations.

Sincerely,

Eve Flynn
Board Chair

c: Board of Education
Keven Elder, Superintendent of Schools
Ron Amos, Secretary Treasurer
Rudy Terpstra, Principal, Ballenas Secondary School

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SCHOOL DISTRICT No.69 (QUALICUM)

November 27, 2020

Honourable Jennifer Whiteside
Minister of Education
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via e-mail: Minister.educ@gov.bc.ca

Dear Minister Whiteside:

At its November 24, 2020 regular board meeting, the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) passed the following motion:

THAT the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) write a letter to the Minister of Education requesting the ability for each school district in the province to have the opportunity to offer BC Curriculum courses via their own Distributed Learning Programs in order to support international students who have applied to the district and are living abroad.

This Board has been made aware that an inequity currently exists within the province with only one school district being legally allowed to offer BC Curriculum to non-residents. We believe this gives that district an unfair advantage over other districts in the province.

Given the current pandemic and the loss of the opportunity for international students to experience the BC learning environment while discovering the local and broader communities and natural environment, as well as the financial impacts of the reduction in the ability to offer registration to international students, we feel that it would only be equitable to allow all BC school districts the same opportunity as currently benefitting one district.

We respectfully request that all BC School Districts be given the opportunity to offer BC Curriculum to non-residents.

Thank you,

Eve Flynn
Board Chair

pc: Board of Education
Keven Elder, Superintendent of Schools
Gillian Wilson, Associate Superintendent of Schools
Ron Amos, Secretary Treasurer
Ronda Bell/Ross Pepper, Principals, SD69 International Student Program
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Honourable Katrina Chen
Minister of State for Child Care
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Dear Minister Whiteside, Minister Dean and Minister Chen:

At its October 27 regular board meeting, the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) passed the following motion:

THAT the Board of Education of School District 69 (Qualicum) write a letter to the Premier to support, in principle, the concept of the seamless child care initiative proposed by CUPEBC.

Our school board would like to acknowledge the commitment of the previous government to child care, childcare spaces and increased support for workers in this province and we look forward to working with the present government with its new mandate.

We are encouraged by provincial support for seamless childcare pilot projects in the province and are committed to exploring and further developing the seamless childcare model in our district.

School District 69 agrees with Minister Fleming's statement, *"Having child care on school grounds is a win for everyone – children remain in familiar surroundings throughout their day, parents save time and money, and it keeps costs down by using facilities already enriched for learning and play."*

We also support the \$10 a Day initiative and CUPE BC's call to action to *"develop integrated seamless early care and learning for young children in our public schools."*

We encourage the Ministries to work together to further establish opportunities for school districts to explore the seamless childcare model.

Thank you,



Eve Flynn
Board Chair

pc: Board of Education
Keven Elder, Superintendent of Schools
Ron Amos, Secretary Treasurer
Sherrie Brown, President, Canadian Union of Public Employees, Local 3570
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