

EDUCATION COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2021 2:30 to 4:00 p.m. VIA ZOOM

Mandate:

To discuss and make recommendations to the board on the general directions for education in the district, and to serve as a vehicle for regular reports to the board on educational programs and services.

<u>AGENDA</u>

Facilitator: Trustee Laura Godfrey

Join Zoom Meeting https://sd69-bc-ca.zoom.us/j/3546156423

1. ACKNOWLDEGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL TERRITORIES

2. OPENING COMMENTS

3. SHARED LEARNING

- a. KSS Student Council Zero Waste
- b. AES Sharing Social Emotional Learning (SEL)

4. INFORMATION

- a. Social Justice (Trustee Young)
- b. Update on Registration
- c. Alternative Education Review

5. DISCUSSION

- a. Lessons Learned
- 6. QUESTION PERIOD
- 7. FUTURE TOPICS

8. NEXT MEETING DATE:

- Tuesday, April 20, 2021 at 2:30 p.m. via Zoom
- 9. ADJOURNMENT

Report on Social Justice Working Group February 2, 2021

Attending – Elaine Young, Eve Flynn and Gillian Wilson

1. Defining Social Justice

We have taken the following from documents presented by Associate Superintendent Wilson as a place to begin discussion.

Social justice education is concerned with achieving equitable and quality **education** for all students. ... **Social justice** includes a vision of society in which the distribution of resources is equitable and all members are physically and psychologically safe and secure

Social justice knowledge helps students better tackle real-world problems by looking at them from multiple viewpoints. But **social justice** is more than just a single subject to be **taught**. It's a concept that **should** infuse almost every academic subject.

Social justice promotes fairness and equity across many aspects of society. For example, it promotes equal economic, educational and workplace opportunities. It's also **important** to the safety and security of individuals and communities.

Social justice is about distributing resources fairly and treating all students equitably so that they feel safe and secure—physically and psychologically. Sadly, a look at **schools** across the nation makes it clear that fair distribution of resources and equitable treatment don't always happen.

- 2. Mandate (Maybe more of an Action Plan)
 - To establish a safe environment for the discussion of Social Justice In our District.
 - To complete an environmental scan to identify strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and aspirations regarding Social Justice in SD 69. (If possible by the end of the school year)
- 3. Amendment of the social justice item on the RBM Status of Action Items –Chair Flynn to follow up.
- 4. Trustee Elaine to do a quick update at the next Education Committee (Report can be attached to agenda)
- 5. Recommendations to the Regular Board Meeting
 - To discuss, refine and accept a definition of Social Justice.
 - To accept the committee's current mandate
 - To establish a SD69 working group by inviting interested stakeholders with the goal of completing an environmental scan/action plan