



SD69 QUALICUM

Education Committee of the Whole Report
Tuesday, April 21, 2020
VIA ZOOM
2:30 p.m.

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.*

Committee Members Present: Trustees Laura Godfrey (Chair), Eve Flynn, Barry Kurland, Julie Austin; Keven Elder, Superintendent of Schools; Gillian Wilson, Associate Superintendent; Vivian Collyer, Director of Instruction; Rudy Terpstra, Principal, BSS; Lisa Pedersen-Skene, Vice-Principal, SES; Miranda Agostini, John Gunn, Olivia Hill, Mischa Oak, Becky Weiss

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF TRADITIONAL TERRITORIES

2. PRESENTATION:

- **Vaping – Miranda Agostini**
Great presentation, hope it could go up on the website and DPAC would love the results to give to their parents. About 200 students per high school were surveyed with similar results and answers. Plans were to survey PASS students after Spring Break, but cancelled due to COVID-19. Plans are to develop a plan around cessation, like the tobacco smoking plan, with students and help roll it out.

3. SHARED LEARNING

4. INFORMATION

- **Technology Update – John Gunn**
Presentation was very timely given the current COVID 19 situation and the District's heavy reliance on technology at this time. Mr. Gunn provided an overview of the work of the Tech Team and shared that they have had 3978 support requests (year to date), 1800 end-user devices, 290 teachers, 4450 students, 16 locations, etc. Trustees are interested in reviewing the current Technology Plan and taking Mr. Gunn's suggestions of need into consideration.
- **SD69 Delegates to the Teacher Institute on Parliamentary Democracy visit to House of Commons - Olivia Hill and Mischa Oak (BSS) and Rebecca Weiss (CEAP)**
Great presentation and example of 3 passionate teachers who found 'living the Ottawa life was inspiring' and being in our nation's capital powerful.
- **Secondary Update – Vivian/Gillian**
Update on what is being done to reach out to our families with Secondary students and what support or technology is needed for their continuation of learning. It is apparent that 'big ideas' are emerging as well as essential learning. This will be a regular update while we are in COVID 19 response.

5. NEXT MEETING DATE:

- Tuesday, May 19 – Time TBC