



# 48 FORUM

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## Board Meeting Highlights October 13, 2004

### CHAIRPERSON:

#### Amy Shoup provided the following:

- Rick Erickson has been appointed as the Superintendent Representative to the BCSTA Provincial Education Committee.
- A Special Board Meeting will be held on October 27<sup>th</sup> to approve School District 48's District Accountability Contract.
- Copies of the Board Priorities for the current school year were distributed to the members of the public.

### SUPERINTENDENT:

#### Dr. Rick Erickson provided the following:

- The school district has received the payment of \$250,000 from the Whistler/Blackcomb Foundation for technology. Part of the \$250,000 in "Matching funds" will be provided by the school Parent Advisory Councils.
- The Ministry of Education has announced funding of \$625,000 to provide more tools to support teachers across the province. The programs included webcasting for professional growth, an online literacy courses for Grades 4-7 teachers, a literacy research project, and the expansion of the Supervision of Learning program.
- The District Accountability Contract will be reviewed by the Board School Achievement Committee and presented to the Board at their October 27<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- Copies of the new Grad Planner are available for information. The new graduation requirements will apply for students currently in Grade 10.
- A chart of the School Improvement Plans for the 2004-2005 school year was provided to the public.

### SECRETARY-TREASURER:

#### Nancy Edwards provided the following:

- A petition regarding the bus service on Route 16 - the bus to Howe Sound Secondary and Squamish Elementary School was received. Staff investigated and determined that the bus is operating within the passenger capacity. The situation will be monitored and if the bus does reach capacity, students living within the walk limits will not be permitted to ride the bus.
- A full security plan is in place for all schools for Halloween, as well as the days leading up to Halloween.

### PRESENTATIONS & DELEGATIONS

#### A. Whistler For Youth

Mr. Ross Harlow made a presentation to the Board on the "Whistler For Youth" process which is working to promote positive youth development and preventing problem behaviours in the ages 18 to 26 year old population. Mr. Harlow answered questions from the Board and also provided copies of his report.

### TRUSTEES

#### A. Information

##### i) BCSTA Update

Trustee Judy Bourhis commented on the Ministry of Education ACE IT program, which provides funds for industrial training. The BCSTA Trustee Academy will be held December 2<sup>nd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup>.

## TRUSTEES

### A. Information (continued...)

ii) **BCSTA Provincial Council Motions**

Trustee Judy Bourhis will be attending the upcoming BCSTA Provincial Council Meeting. The Board provided Trustee Bourhis with feedback for her to vote on the motions.

iii) **Response to BCSTA AGM Motion**

School District 48 had put forth a motion at the BCSTA AGM for additional government support for physical education programs for students in Kindergarten to Grade 12. The Ministry of Education advised that they are unable to provide enhanced funding for this type of program.

iv) **Trustee Reports**

- Trustee Judy Bourhis reported that she found the recent Squamish Lillooet Regional District (SLRD) Regional Growth Strategy meeting very informative and she commended the SLRD for bringing everyone together to discuss “our backyard”.
- Trustee Mike Milner announced that he would like to attend the BCCASE conference in early November.
- Trustee Don Brett reported that School District representatives have met with the Resort Municipality of Whistler to discuss the education component of the Community Sustainability Plan.

## EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

### A. Action

i) **Community Based Education Leadership Meetings**

From time to time – Community Based Education Leadership Meetings will be held in Squamish, Whistler, and Pemberton. Attending will be community Principals/Vice-Principals, Trustees, Secretary-Treasurer, and the Superintendent. The purpose of these meetings is to review education achievements and challenges in each community and consider action.

### B. Report

i) **SnowSmart Update**

Magy Butterfield, Vice-Principal of Whistler Secondary School provided a brief update on the SnowSmart Program available to Grade 7 and Grade 10 students. The program provides our young people with an opportunity to change their attitude toward risky activities and also gives them a set of skills where they can assess risks and make the best decision possible to reduce their risk of injury.

Ms. Butterfield was pleased to announce that the Canadian Ski Patrol Association will cover the cost of the half-day in-service to teach the trainer for teachers of Grade 7 and Grade 10 students. A Press Release dated October 19, 2004 is attached.

ii) **Average Class Sizes**

The Class Size Report was received and submitted to the Ministry of Education. Copies will be forwarded to all schools and the Chair of each Parent Advisory Council in the District .

## BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

### A. Information - Nil

### B. Action

i) **Five Year Capital Plan**

The Board of School Trustees approve the 2005/2006 Five Year Capital Plan and the Long Range Capital Plan.

ii) **Pemberton Youth Forum – Request to Waive Rental Fee**

The request to the Board from the Pemberton Youth Forum to waive the rental fee for the use of Pemberton Secondary School has been tabled until October 27<sup>th</sup> to allow the Pemberton Youth Forum representatives to supply additional information (budget, benefits, purpose) to staff.

## BYLAWS, POLICIES & REGULATIONS

i) **AP1001.1 Communications Plan**

The amended Administrative Procedure 1001.1 Communications Plan was received.