

School District No. 48 (Sea to Sky)

POLICY COMMITTEE

May 11, 2015

School Board Office

Squamish, BC

Time: 11:15am

MINUTES

16-05-11 PC-O

Attendees:

Laura Godfrey, Committee Chair

Patricia Westerholm, Trustee

Rebecca Barley, Trustee

Chris Vernon-Jarvis, Trustee

Lisa McCullough, Superintendent

Jody Langlois, Assistant Superintendent

Shehzad Somji, Secretary-Treasurer

Anne MacDougall, Administrative Assistant

The meeting was called to order at 11:28am.

1. AGENDA

Recommendation: **“THAT the agenda of this meeting be approved.”**

MOVED/SECONDED: CARRIED

2. MINUTES

Recommendation: **“THAT the minutes of the Policy Committee meeting held March 9, 2016 be adopted.”**

MOVED/SECONDED: CARRIED

3. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Regulation 501.4 Home Education – *Lisa McCullough*

“THAT the Policy Committee recommends The Board of Education adopt as presented, the amendments to Policy 501.4 Home Education.”

MOVED/SECONDED: CARRIED

“THAT The Policy committee recommend to the Board of Education to Repeal Regulation 501.4 Home Education.”

MOVED/SECONDED: CARRIED

B. Policy 603.2 School Field Trips – Third Reading – *J. Langlois*

Assistant Superintendent, Jody Langlois advised that Policy and Regulations have been combined into one document simplifying reading, and ease of posting to the website. Ms. Langlois reviewed the changes, which were minor since the last reading. The Training Module does not exist yet, but will be created. Risk Minimization will be amended to reflect that the Superintendent or designate will have the final say on whether a field trip proceeds before departure. Commercial, self-interest, and student-packaged field trips were discussed for the committee to decide on whether explicit language is needed to continue to allow for schools to use, for example, EF Tours. Trustee Godfrey would like free access and/or travel for teachers to be transparent. Superintendent McCullough suggested we should provide a section to address these concerns and the expectation around full transparency.

The committee discussed whether it should come back to committee again in June, or go out for impact after the discussed amendments have been made. Trustee Godfrey preferred not to have it come back to policy, but to go out for impact, with discussed amendments, before the end of the year.

MOTION:

“THAT the Policy Committee recommend that the Board of Education send policy 603.2 out for Policy Impact”

MOVED/SECONDED

CARRIED

Superintendent McCullough is once again recommending the board separate themselves from Dry Grad. She has observed students, and parents drinking, and students getting into cars and driving away from Board sanctioned events. She has made this recommendation in the past, with the Board deciding to continue to sanction dry grad events. If the Board wants to let dry grad use the busses or rooms for meetings, they can do so by renting to them for \$1, but dry grad would not be allowed to put posters up in the schools or use the email system. Trustee Godfrey noted that nothing can be done for this year, however it needs to be on a future Board agenda.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Recommendation: **“THAT the meeting be adjourned.”**

The meeting adjourned at 12:15pm.