

COMMITTEE MEETING

POLICY AND GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Wednesday, October 14, 2020

Committee Report to the Board, October 26, 2020

The Chairperson of the Committee called the meeting to order and acknowledged that the meeting is being held on the traditional unceded territory of the Musqueam, Squamish and Tsleil-Waututh Nations and reviewed meeting decorum. This meeting was live-streamed and the audio and visual recording is also available to the public for viewing after the meeting. The footage of the meeting may be viewed inside and outside of Canada.

A master PowerPoint presentation detailing the flow of the agenda was provided throughout the meeting, a copy of which is on file with the meeting agenda.

Trustee Parrott raised a point of privilege and recognized the 94th birthday of Winnie the Pooh.

1. Update on School Liaison Officer (SLO) Program Review

The Committee Chair provided a verbal update on the School Liaison Officer Program Review. She reported that proposals have been received, however the Request for Proposals (RFP) requires modification to align with the Board's intended outcome to hear and learn from members of our school communities about their lived experiences with the SLO program.

Stakeholder representatives provided feedback and the Chairperson provided clarification on various points.

This was provided for information.

2. Delegations

The following delegations gave presentations regarding the School Liaison Officer Program.

- Ruby Smith Diaz
- Markiel Simpson, BC Community Alliance
- Tasha Nijjar
- Emily Johnson, Black Lives Matter Vancouver
- Parker Johnson
- Azuka Nduka-Agwu
- Jahmira Lovemore

The Chairperson and staff responded to questions regarding the SLO program and the RFP for the SLO Program Review. Trustees and stakeholders provided feedback.

Following discussion, Trustee Hanson left the meeting.

3. Interim Report Anti-Racism and Non-Discrimination Strategic Plan

The Associate Superintendent-Learning Services presented and reviewed a memorandum dated October 14, 2020 entitled *Interim Report Anti-Racism and Non-Discrimination Strategic Plan*. The report follows up on a Board motion approved at the December 16, 2019 meeting and contains information regarding the intent and development of the Anti-Racism and Non-Discrimination Strategic Plan. Additional information was provided in a PowerPoint.

During the presentation, Director of Instruction D. Kotak Buckley reviewed work completed to date and outlined goals for year 1 (2020-2021) of the plan.

Trustees and stakeholders provided feedback and staff provided clarification on various points.

This presentation and report were provided for information.

4. Proposed Revisions to Policy 21 (Non-Discrimination) and Accompanying Administrative Procedures

The Deputy Superintendent presented a report dated October 14, 2020 entitled *Proposed Revisions to Policy 21 (Non-Discrimination) and Accompanying Administrative Procedures*. The report follows up on a Board motion approved at the December 16, 2019 meeting and contains recommended revisions to Board Policy 21 and accompanying Administrative Procedures (AP 170, 171, and 350) based on a review by Audrey Ackah (field expert) and staff. Additional information was provided at the meeting.

The report recommends Board adoption of a revised Policy 21 (Non-Discrimination) as presented. There was consensus to table the recommendation until the next Policy and Governance Committee meeting, so that more feedback from stakeholders could be received.

The Deputy Superintendent clarified next steps for the Administrative Procedures, which had not yet been reviewed by the Administrative Procedures Working Group due to the timing of the meeting. He reported that revisions to Policy 21 would need to be approved by the Board before the Administrative Procedures revisions would be approved by the Superintendent.

5. Notices of Motion: Racism and Discrimination

Trustee Parrott reviewed the reasons for her Notices of Motion regarding racism and discrimination.

There was consensus to table this item until the next Policy and Governance Committee meeting in December.

6. Notice of Motion: Policy 4 – Trustee Code of Conduct

There was consensus to table this item until the next Policy and Governance Committee meeting in December.

7. Naming and Renaming Update

The Deputy Superintendent presented a report dated October 14, 2020 entitled *Naming and Renaming Update*. The report provides information on work done by the Naming and Renaming Working Group and requests feedback from the Policy and Governance Committee on a proposed pilot project for Sir Matthew Begbie and David Lloyd George schools based on a new, draft Administrative Procedure 542 – Re-naming Existing School Facilities.

Trustees and stakeholder representatives provided feedback and staff provided clarification on various points.

8. Information Item Requests: None

9. Date and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for December 2, 2020 at 5:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:09 pm.

Lois Chan-Pedley, Chairperson

Committee Members Present
in the room:

Lois Chan-Pedley, Janet Fraser, Estrellita Gonzalez,
Allan Wong

Other Trustees Present in the room:

Barb Parrott, Oliver Hanson

Other Trustees Present in Teams:

Fraser Ballantyne, Carmen Cho, Jennifer Reddy

Senior Management Present in the room:

Jody Langlois, David Nelson

Senior Management Present in Teams:

Pedro da Silva, David Green, Suzanne Hoffman

Other Staff Present in the Room:

Deena Kotak-Buckley

Association Representatives
Present in Teams:

Treena Goolieff, VSTA
Joanne Sutherland, VESTA
Annette Vey Chilton, VASSA
Mark Cormack, VEPVPA
Tim Chester, IUOE
Hayden O'Connor, PASA
Brent Boyd, CUPE 407
Gord Lau, DPAC, followed by Karen Tsang, DPAC
Divyan Karunakaran, VDSC