

POLICY COMMITTEE
Reporting to Public Session Tuesday, October 13, 2009

The Policy Committee met on Monday, September 21, 2009 at 5:30 pm. In attendance were Trustees Tony Coccia (Chair), Baljinder Narang, James Wang and Diana Mumford, and Superintendent of Schools Claudio Morelli.

1. Policy Book Review Status

Superintendent Morelli presented an updated and revised outline of the Policy Book. The outline included all of the changes made to the Policy Book during the 2008-2009 school year and a progress report on policies currently being worked on.

Recommendation: THAT the Board receive this information.

2. Consolidation of Policies under the Safe and Caring Schools Framework

Mr. Morelli presented an outline of the district policies that are currently being reviewed and revised for inclusion into a comprehensive Safe and Caring School's policy framework (att). Trustees discussed the outline and provided suggestions to staff. The outline will also be shared with the Youth and Community Services Committee. The framework and specific policies will be brought forward to the Policy Committee for review at a future meeting.

Recommendation: THAT the Board receive this information.

3. Policy 6.30 – Grouping Students for Regular and Special Programs

A revision of Policy 6.30 – Grouping Students for Regular and Special Programs was presented to Trustees. Mr. Morelli reminded Trustees that the revision of this policy was in progress to deal with the Burnaby Association of Community Inclusion's (BACI) request to revise district policies to reflect the inclusion of students with disabilities. Following discussion and questions from Trustees, staff was requested to further revise the policy for review at the next Policy meeting.

Recommendation: THAT the Board receive this information.

4. Policy 5.15 – Student and Other School Records, Access, Storage and Transfer

Mr. Morelli informed the committee that Policy 5.15 – Student and Other School Record, Access, Storage and Transfer which had been adopted by the Board on June 23, 2009, will require an amendment. The amendment to Policy 5.15 is required due to a change in the School Act legislation of the Permanent Student Record Order. A revised Policy 5.15 will be presented to the committee once completed.

Recommendation: THAT the Board receive this information.

5. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm.

6. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Policy Committee will be held Monday, October 19, 2009 at 5:30 pm.