

## **BOARD OF EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE**

### **NORTH VANCOUVER SCHOOL DISTRICT**

#### **Meeting Summary of February 9, 2016**

Meeting Summary of the Board of Education's Standing Committee Meeting held at the Education Services Centre, 2121 Lonsdale Avenue, North Vancouver, British Columbia, on Tuesday, February 9, 2016.

#### **Meeting Attendance:**

Trustees, representatives of the North Vancouver Parent Advisory Council (NVPAC), North Vancouver Administrators (NoVA), North Vancouver Teachers' Association (NVTa), Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE Local 389), members from the public, and School District Staff attended the meeting.

#### **Call to Order:**

Standing Committee Chair Cyndi Gerlach called the Standing Committee Meeting to order at 7:00 pm, thanking those in attendance for coming to engage with the School District.

#### **Distributed Learning:**

District Principal Maureen Stanger provided an overview of the North Vancouver Distributed Learning School (NVDLS). Ms. Stanger, along with Vice Principal Lucas King, NVDLS teachers, Loveleen Ahluwalia; Naresh Chand; and, Billy Lauzon shared the core vision, which is to provide students with flexible and personalized pathways to complete graduation requirements. The NVDLS follows the BC Ministry of Education Curriculum and showcases a blended learning model, providing a traditional school space in partnership with an online platform for a continuous and personalized learning environment. Mr. Chand and Mr. Lauzon took the group through a guided tour of the NVDLS's interactive website. Concluding the presentation, Ms. Stanger shared future goals of the NVDLS to expand programming through an e-Campus, new courses and incorporating elementary school students.

#### **2016/17 Operating Budget Development:**

Secretary Treasurer Georgia Allison presented the Budget development components for 2016/17, including historical and current revenues and expenses, budget timelines, operating grant and the Three Year Forecast. Secretary Treasurer Allison provided an update on the wage increases, sharing that the teacher and CUPE staff's wage increases will be funded by the Province; however, the Province will not fund the wage adjustments for Exempt and Management staff. Forecast assumptions were discussed, which included; holdback funding; staffing adjustments; the Administrative Savings Plan; cost for the relocation of the Modular building to Ridgeway; and, Teacher Pension Plan savings. It was noted that there are some assumptions that are not included in the Three Year Forecast.

Superintendent of Schools John Lewis provided additional information relating to enrolment projections for Kindergarten to Grade 12 and the development of base staffing needs in the schools.

Concluding the presentation, Secretary Treasurer Allison asked that the Partner Groups consider possible initiatives that could be recommended for inclusion into the 2016/17 Preliminary Budget and invited all Groups to attend the March 29, 2016 Standing Committee Meeting to make a short presentation outlining their top three priorities.

The presentation can be found online: [Meetings & Minutes 2015/16](#)

#### **Next Meeting:**

March 29, 2016

Mountain View Room

Topics: Budget Development Process; Annual Facilities Grant Plan