

BOARD OF EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE

NORTH VANCOUVER SCHOOL DISTRICT

Meeting Summary of January 15, 2019

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, January 15, 2019.

Meeting Attendance:

Trustees Bruce, Gerlach, Higgins, Mann, Sacre and Tsiakos were all in attendance.

Call to Order:

Standing Committee Chair Kulvir Mann called the Standing Committee Meeting to order at 7:00 pm, thanking those in attendance for coming to engage with the School District. The traditional territorial lands of the Squamish Nation and Tsleil-Waututh Nation were acknowledged.

Inclusive Education Update:

Inclusive Education is one of the North Vancouver School District's priority areas, and remains a highly complex and evolving area within public schooling.

Assistant Superintendent Pius Ryan highlighted the history of inclusive education and provided an understanding of how the inclusive education movement has evolved from the 1980's until the present day. Macro level indicators of success including Dogwood Graduation rates, and Evergreen rates were reviewed.

Following that presentation, Ms. Lindsie M. Thomson of Harris & Company, outlined the historical legal precedents involving Special Education cases that impact the North Vancouver School District in its delivery of public education.

Director of Instruction Vince White identified priorities such as legal considerations in decision making for special needs students. Director of Instruction Arlene Martin reviewed the role of the Director in support school and FOS development. Melanie Learoyd gave an expansive overview of the School District's current work in support teacher development, and Individual Education Planning process.

The presentations can be found online: [Meetings & Minutes 2018/19](#)

Next Meeting:

February 5, 2019

Mountain View Room