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Jan Unwin (Superintendent), Laurie Meston (Deputy Superintendent), Wayne Jefferson (Secretary Treasurer)

Full Day Kindergarten presentation

Deputy Superintendent Meston introduced Full-Day Kindergarten committee members Noralea Pilgrim (Early Learning Facilitator), Donna Heikkila and Sheila Pace (Principals) and Monica Stephenson (Teacher). They described the committee's work preparing for and guiding implementation of Full-Day Kindergarten. Their work has included building up a knowledge base on early learning, assisting principals, providing in-service training and mentoring to teachers, and educating parents.

Academic partnership not pursued

Superintendent Unwin reported that district staff had completed research into a possible academic partnership between School District No. 42 and Kwantlen Polytechnic University. The original proposal would have allowed students to start taking university courses while still in high school. Superintendent Unwin reported that there was not sufficient student interest to pursue the idea further at this time.

Good News

Trustees and staff noted the following good news items: a spring luncheon at Connex; an all candidates meeting hosted at Pitt Meadows Secondary School; the ongoing support provided by Tzu Chi, great public speaking heard at Alexander Robinson; and a special recognition event in honour of 70 employees reaching their 20-year milestones.

**The next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be on Wednesday, May 11
at 6 PM in the District Education Office.**