



## Board Meeting Highlights October 20, 2021

### Presentation: School Teams – Researched-Informed Learning and Growth

Assistant superintendent Jovo Bikic presented to the board on the SD42 school teams model and its researched-informed approach to learning and growth. All educators have been invited to participate in the work of school teams, which have had a positive and evolving systemic impact. The big ideas of district school teams are *equity, diversity and inclusion; collaboration; and curriculum*. Key researchers that guide and support the work of school teams include Shelley Moore, Faye Brownlie, and Leyton Schnellert.

### Public Board Meeting Schedule Amended

The board approved an amended regular public board meeting schedule for 2021/22. The full amended schedule is below:

September 22, 2021	March 9, 2022
October 20, 2021	April 13, 2022
November 17, 2021	April 27, 2022
December 8, 2021	May 18, 2022
<b>January 19, 2022</b>	June 15, 2022
<b>February 23, 2022</b>	

### School District Statement of Financial Information (SOFI)

The board approved the *Statement of Financial Information* for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021, for submission to the Ministry of Education. The full report is available on the school district website at <https://www.sd42.ca/financial-information/>.

### Superintendent's Update

Superintendent Harry Dhillon updated the board on various school events and activities, including Truth and Reconciliation Week and Terry Fox Run activities. Superintendent Dhillon also spoke about the process for updating the *Strategic Facilities Plan*, which is currently underway and in the consultation phase. A survey will be shared with the public in the coming week. Information about the strategic facilities plan development process, including associated timelines, is available on the district website at <https://www.sd42.ca/board-of-education/strategic-facilities-plan/>.

### Policy Review Update

The board received updated *Procedure 4203.1: Budget Process* for information and also received updated/revised *Policy 4204: Accumulated Surplus* for information and continuation with the consultation process. The draft policy has been posted to the district website for public feedback at <https://www.sd42.ca/board-of-education/policies-procedures-public/>.

### **Good News**

In the good news portion of the evening, trustees noted the following items: trustee Trudeau spoke about the wonderful feedback she had heard about the pumpkin patch at Alouette Elementary, the Giant Pumpin Weigh-In Day at Whonnock Lake, and the Terry Fox Run curriculum pilot that explores Terry Fox's Métis Nation background. Trustee Yamamoto congratulated Carolina Echeverri, Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Katzie Local Immigration Partnership coordinator, on taking the lead in staging a vigil to commemorate the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation in Maple Ridge, and also spoke about First Book Canada, an organization that provides books to low income families. Trustee Sullivan acknowledged the work done by teachers with students on Truth and Reconciliation. Trustee Dumore announced that she had taken a new role at the Foundry and noted that the Kiwanis club had made a substantial donation to the new Albion park. Trustee Murray spoke about the well-attended Truth and Reconciliation gathering at the Memorial Peace Park and the upcoming November 24, 2021, 8<sup>th</sup> annual Salvation Army Dignity Breakfast fundraising event. Trustee Murray also congratulated Scott Hartman on his appointment as the new chief administrative officer for the City of Maple Ridge. Trustee Shaw spoke about the giant pumpkin contest at Whonnock Lake, noting that a young entrepreneur and SD42 student was the star of the show. Finally, trustee Carreras spoke about a Katzie First Nation event she attended on September 30, 2021, that included dancing, story-telling, and poignant sharing of culture.

**The next Board of Education meeting will be at 6 pm on November 17, 2021.**