

Presentation: District Literacy Network

Helping teachers Kristie Colpitts, Joanna Tones and Janet Smith presented District Literacy Network updates to the board. The presenters emphasized the importance of current research and professional development in ensuring a continuous best practice approach. The framework relies on the structure of aligned beliefs, exemplary classroom practices, and infrastructure/resources. District helping teachers are also mindful in their approach of alignment with district initiatives to ensure a consistent approach to inclusion, social emotional learning, formative assessment and curriculum implementation. Moving into the next year, the committee is focusing on maintaining momentum, expanding the learning and spreading the information, ensuring student success in the area of literacy across the district, and potentially expanding to a zonal model.

2016/17 Amended Annual Budget

Secretary Treasurer Flavia Coughlan presented the 2016/17 Amended Annual Budget, which included updated revenue and expenditure estimates reflecting board-approved budget changes to date, revenue and expenditure changes resulting from changes to enrolment, revenue changes announced by the Ministry of Education in December 2016, one-time and ongoing budget allocations (including costs associated with this year's snow fall), and other revenue and expenditure known changes.

Superintendent's Update

Superintendent Sylvia Russell updated the board on various school events and activities.

Board Policy Development Committee

The board received for information procedures for level 1 and level 2 field trips. The procedures are available for review on the district website under the *Policy Manual*: http://www.sd42.ca/board-of-education/policy-manual/.

Good News

In the good news portion of the evening, trustees highlighted the 25-Year Recognition Event hosted at Garibaldi Secondary on February 21, and the great spirit shown across the district on Pink Shirt Day.

The next Board of Education meeting will be at 6 pm on March 8, 2017 at the District Education Office.