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46 BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS

The following is a Synopsis of a recent school district board meeting. Formal minutes are published and are available at all schools.

Board Meetings

School Board Meetings are scheduled on the second Tuesday of each school month. The meetings start at 7:00 PM at the School Board Office, located at 494 South Fletcher in Gibsons unless noted below.

If you wish to make a presentation at a meeting, contact Lorraine Coughlin, at (604) 886-8811 and she will provide you with further information.

May 8, 2007

Board Meeting

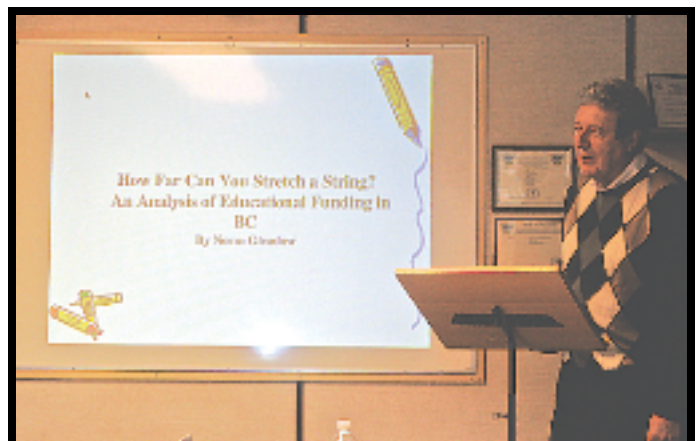
Presentations:

How Far Can You Stretch a String?

Trustee **Norm Gleadow** presented his report *"How Far Can You Stretch a String?: An Analysis of Education Funding in BC."*

"Over the past few years, trustees, administrators, parents and teachers have complained, or at least sensed, that the funding for public education has either been inadequate, or barely adequate." In spite of these concerns, the government's message is that there is enough money (and flexibility) to do the job. By analyzing two specific issues, Mr. Gleadow has found that "over the past ten years, on a per pupil basis, the government has been allocating a decreasing percent of its revenue, a smaller percent of total provincial resources, and [there has been] no increase in per pupil funding in Consumer Price Index corrected dollars."

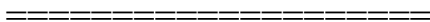
By Board motion, the Board endorsed the report and requested that it be circulated to schools and School Planning Councils. A copy will also be placed in the Trustees' Library.



2006 - 2007 Scheduled Board Meetings (Tuesdays at 7:00 PM)



June 12, 2007
Madeira Park Elementary School



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Youth Liaison...

The Board has formed a Youth Liaison Ad Hoc Committee. Trustees Silas White, Dave Mewhort and Lori Dixon will sit on this committee.

Environmental Sustainability...

The following motions relating to environmental sustainability were passed:

Moved by Silas White, Seconded by Norm Gleadow

“That the Policy Committee develop a policy, followed by administrative regulations, on fuel efficiency, energy conservation and environmental sustainability in our schools and vehicles.”

Moved by Silas White, Seconded by Norm Gleadow

“That the Facilities Committee examine the issues of fuel efficiency, energy conservation and environmental sustainability in our schools and vehicles.”

Central Booking...

The Board approved the revisions to Administrative Regulation 3550 - Rental of Facilities. The regulation will be distributed to schools and posted on the website.

Graduation Ceremonies...

The end of the school year is quickly approaching and with it comes graduation ceremonies. This year’s schedule is as follows:

S.C. Alternative School	June 25 @ 6:00 PM
Pender Harbour Secondary	June 28 @ 1:00 PM
Chatelech Secondary	June 28 @ 7:00 PM
Elphinstone Secondary	June 29 @ 7:00 PM

Bursary Reception...

School District No. 46 hosted a **Recognition of Bursary & Scholarship Donors Event** on May 3 at Chatelech Secondary School. The Board values the significant contributions of community members and organizations in their support of our students and programs. Over 80 people attended the reception at which **Greg Russell**, Board Chair, welcomed and thanked donors, and **Rob Paish**, Sunshine Coast Administrators Group, **Grace Walker-Lane**, School District Student Representative, and **Sarah Hook**, Past Graduate, spoke of the value of giving and receiving bursaries.

Student representatives of the graduating classes at Chatelech, Elphinstone and Pender Harbour Secondary Schools welcomed donors and served appetizers prepared by **Ms. Cathy Gordon** and the Chatelech Foods Grade 11/12 students. **Jamie Weekes**, Chatelech student, added to the occasion with his delightful piano music in the background.

The Board thanked **Diane Wagner** and **Lorna Van Diessen** for their work on this event.

