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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 on the school district website: [www.sd46.bc.ca/Board](http://www.sd46.bc.ca/Board)*

## 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 Road in Gibsons unless noted below.

If you wish to make a presentation at a meeting, contact Colleen McPhedran at 604-886-8811.

## May 11, 2010 Board Meeting

2009 - 2010

### Scheduled Board Meetings

(Tuesdays at 7:00 PM)

June 8, 2010 ..... School Board Office

Committee meetings which are open to the public will be advertised on the school district website under "Board Meetings"



## School Trustees

- Silas White, Chair ..... 604-886-8668
- Dave Mewhort, Vice-Chair ..... 604-885-4546
- Ken Sinnott ..... 604-230-1377
- Lori Fielding ..... 604-885-3808
- Fran Heppell ..... 604-886-0070
- Greg Russell ..... 604-886-8388
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## Community Literacy Plan...

Kerry Mahlman, Principal of District Aboriginal Programs & Services, Partnerships and Bob Benmore and Bev Craig, District Numeracy & Literacy Resource Teachers, respectively, provided a very informative presentation outlining the Community Literacy Plan.

The District Literacy Plan 2010 is a joint plan with the school district and community partners. The goal is to improve literacy at the local level – all part of ongoing community development. The school district part of the plan outlines the state of planning and implementing literacy programs in the community – and how the school district connects with our partners.

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The first Community Literacy Plan and District Literacy Plan were submitted separately July 15, 2008 and updated in the fall of 2008. In 2009, the work was submitted jointly as a Community Literacy Plan. You can read the submission at the ReadNowBC web site: [www.readnowbc.ca/dlp.html](http://www.readnowbc.ca/dlp.html)

The next plan is to be submitted to the Ministry of Education on July 15, 2010. Comments on the literacy activities in the school district will be embedded in the Community Plan. The present Community Literacy Plan has an Action Plan with eight strategies. Bev Craig, Bob Benmore, Tom Hierck and Kerry Mahlman are gathering information from principals and other sources to comment on the work done within the school district concerning the Community Plan strategies and to look ahead to the work for 2010-2011.

### Board Policy & Regulations...

**Deborah Palmer, Superintendent of Schools**, provided details on the regulations process. Draft regulations in circulation are posted on the school district website ([www.sd46.bc.ca/Govern](http://www.sd46.bc.ca/Govern)), as well as posted in staff rooms, discussed at principals' meetings and discussed at PAC meetings.

Policy 2.10 **Hiring Process for District Administration** was amended and can be read in full on the district's website.

Also amended was the **catchment area for Davis Bay Elementary School**. It is now expanded to include Selma Park Road and its cross streets.

A **Trustee Orientation Handbook** will be published to help make the learning curve less lengthy for new trustees.

### Neighbourhoods of Learning Centre

The Board carried a motion to apply for **Community Connections Funding** to further investigate the potential of a Neighbourhood of Learning.

### School Calendar for 2010-2011

The school calendar for the upcoming school year was reviewed and approved as presented.

Tues., Sept. 7.....	First day of school (.5)
Mon., Sept. 27.....	Pro-D Day (School) (.5)
.....	Pro-D Day (Administrator) (.5)
Mon., Oct. 11 .....	Thanksgiving Day (1.0)
Fri., Oct. 22 .....	Pro-D Day (Provincial) (1.0)
Thurs., Nov. 11 .....	Remembrance Day (1.0)
Weds, Nov. 25 & Thurs. Nov. 25.....	Early Dismissals
Mon., Nov. 29.....	Pro-D Day (School) (1.0)
Mon., Dec. 20-Jan. 3, 2011, incl. ....	Winter Vacation
Tues., Jan. 4.....	Schools Reopen after Winter Vacation
Fri., Feb. 18 .....	Pro-D Day (District) (1.0)
Weds. Mar. 16 & Thurs., Mar. 17 .....	Early Dismissals
Mon., Mar. 21 to Fri., Mar. 25, incl. ....	Spring Vacation
Mon., Mar. 28 ...	Schools Reopen After Spring Vacation
Mon., April 4.....	Pro-D Day (School) (1.5)
.....	Pro-D Day (Administrator) (.5)
Fri., April 22 .....	Good Friday (1.0)
Mon., April 25.....	Easter Monday (1.0)
Fri., May 6.....	Pro-D Day (School) (1.0)
Thurs., June 30.....	Administrative Day (1.0)
Days in Session.....	192
Professional Development Days.....	6
Administrative Day .....	1
Number of Days of Instruction .....	185