

Committee Report of Resources Committee Meeting of October 8, 2024 School Board Office

Present: Christine Lervold, Trustee (Committee Chair)
Amanda Dowhy, Trustee (A/Committee Member)
Paul Block, Superintendent
Harold Cull, Secretary Treasurer
Moncia Braniff, Deputy Superintendent
Ceilidh Deichmann, SPVPA
Wanda Falle, CUPE
Tom Davis, SPEAC
David Strange, Associate Superintendent
Mark Kaercher, District Principal, Capital Planning
Frances Krusekopf, District Principal, Early Learning & Child Care
Nicole Gestwa, IT

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF FIRST NATIONS TERRITORIES

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by the Committee Chair, who acknowledged that we are honoured to be meeting on the traditional territories of the Coast Salish, specifically Esquimalt Nation, Songhees Nation and acknowledge the three nation SD 62 works with directly in our schools; Scia'new Nation, Coast Salish, and T'Sou-ke Nation; including the West Coast Pacheedaht Nation Nuu-chah-nulth. (words gifted by the three Nations SD62 works with)

2. COMMITTEE REPORT

The Board of Education of Sooke School District 62 (Sooke) received the Resources Committee Report dated September 17, 2024, at its Public Board Meeting dated September 24, 2024.

3. PRESENTATIONS

4. BUSINESS

- 4.1 Catchment Changes for SĆIΛNEW STĒLITKĒL Elementary – Paul Block/Mark Kaercher
Staff reminded the Committee of the previous catchment decision of the Board for SĆIΛNEW STĒLITKĒL Elementary and the various principles found in the Board's approved catchment policy that impact catchment/boundary changes and outlined the communication process and timeline. The catchment area for SĆIΛNEW STĒLITKĒL Elementary will flow to Dunsmuir Middle School and then to École Royal Bay Secondary. Students will attend their new



boundary catchment school September 2025. Students can request to be grand parented into their current school if space permits. The Committee discussed the new catchment and it was confirmed that staff will also present at the November SPEAC meeting.

4.2 Childcare Update – Frances Krusekopf

Frances Krusekopf provided an overview of the Early Learning and Child Care (ELCC) programs currently operating in SD62 schools and the District’s plans to issue Requests for Expressions of Interest & Qualifications (REIQs) for 3rd party providers to identify their interest in operating ELCC programs in the District for the 25/26 school year. Two new sites at Hans Helgesen and SCÍĀNEW STĒLITĶĒL Elementary will be added for next year and will be part of the REIQ process that is expected to be issued this fall. It was also discussed that the Board will operate ELCC programs in several of our elementary schools that do not currently have before and after school ELCC programming in the 25/26 school year.

4.3 Updated Enrolment Estimates & Financial Impacts – Monica Braniff/Harold Cull

Staff reported that, based on the September 30th enrolment actual amounts, the District enrolment has increased by 548 FTEs or 4.3% since this time last year. The financial impacts of the enrolment increase were discussed with the incremental revenue largely offset by the additional staff costs required to support the students. Staff recommend the Board wait until the budget recalculation details are received from the Ministry in mid-December prior to making any Amended Budget decisions.

5. **ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING DATE:** November 12, 2024

