



EDUCATION COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AGENDA

Wednesday, January 6, 2016, 4:00 P.M.

SCHOOL BOARD OFFICE

425 Jermyn Avenue

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1. Call to Order

2. Adoption of Agenda

MOTION:

That the agenda be approved.

3. Presentations

3.1 Maker Spaces

Trevor Knowlton, SD67 Careers & Apprenticeship Coordinator, will provide an overview of Maker Spaces initiatives that are being organized in the district.

3.2 2015 Dream Lift Trip

Both Todd Manuel, Director of Instruction, and Katy Cox, District Occupational Therapist, had the opportunity to chaperone students on the 2015 Dream Lift Trip to Disneyland in December. Mr. Manuel and Ms. Cox will provide an overview of the trip.

4. Information Items

5. Action Items

5.1 Policy No. 340 - Graduation Functions - Secondary Schools

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MOTION:

That the Education Committee recommends to the Board of Education that Policy No. 340 - Graduation Functions - Secondary Schools be approved in principle and forwarded to partner groups until February 12, 2016 for any suggestions for changes.

6. Upcoming Policies

- Policy No. 211 - Distribution of Materials to Students
- Policy No. 212 - Trespassers on School Property
- Policy No. 230 - School Response for Critical Incidents
- Policy No. 240 - Parent Advisory Councils
- Policy No. 300 - Student Registration
- Policy No. 317 - Harassment/Threats/Intimidation/Racial Prejudice/Violence
- Policy No. 322 - Work Experience Programs
- Policy No. 440 - Locally Developed Courses

7. Question Period

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 67 (OKANAGAN SKAHA)

POLICY

POLICY #340 Graduation Functions – Secondary Schools

RATIONALE

The Board of Education recognizes the significance and importance of the official graduation ceremonies in which the students, parents, teachers and the community participate with great pride.

POLICY

The Board encourages and supports the planning by students, staff and school administration of the annual official graduation ceremonies.

ADOPTED: November 8, 1999

Reviewed/Revised: December 9, 2002
September 10, 2007

Statutory Reference:

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 67 (OKANAGAN SKAHA)

REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES

POLICY #340 Graduation Functions – Secondary Schools

1. The school is authorized to organize and present the graduation ceremonies on the following basis:
 - a) that the graduation may contain up to the current ~~four~~ three graduation events which are comprised of the ceremonies, banquet, and ~~dance prom. and tea~~;
 - b) that the dress for the graduation ceremony will be caps and gowns;
 - c) that a student vote about other graduation issues be held;
 - d) that the graduation events ~~Ceremonies and/or Tea~~ may be held on a weekend prior to the examination schedule, or after all final exams are complete. ~~All other events are to be held on consecutive days after the end of government examinations unless otherwise approved by the Board by January 1 of the school year;~~
 - e) the graduation activities shall recognize all bona fide Grade 12 students.
2. Unofficial activities are not sanctioned under this policy. With the exception of Dry After-Grad, the organization of such activities in school time or on school premises is prohibited.
3. The Board supports the concept of "dry-grad" being organized as a community event, following the ~~school-sponsored dance~~ prom or graduation ceremony.
4. The Board supports the use of community facilities for graduation events:
 - a) in Summerland, the civic arena and curling facilities;
 - b) in Penticton, the Penticton Trade & Convention Centre and/or South Okanagan Events Center. For reasons of efficiency, Penticton schools will endeavor to have ceremonies on adjacent days.

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