



EDUCATION COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AGENDA

Wednesday, January 27, 2016, 4:00 P.M.

SCHOOL BOARD OFFICE

425 Jermyn Avenue

Pages

1. **Call to Order**

2. **Adoption of Agenda**

MOTION:

That the agenda be approved.

3. **Presentations**

4. **Information Items**

4.1 **BC's Framework for Enhancing Student Learning - Overview and Update**

An overview of BC's Framework for Enhancing Student Learning and an update on its implementation will be provided by Superintendent Hyer and Director of Instruction MacIntyre.

5. **Action Items**

5.1 **New Curriculum Implementation Planning - Update**

An update on the three-year support plan to help teachers deliver the new curriculum will be provided by Superintendent Hyer and Director of Instruction MacIntyre.

MOTION:

In accordance with School Calendar Regulation, BC Reg 314/12, The Education Committee recommends to the Board of Education that the school calendar be amended to include two non-instructional days, April 27 and May 26, 2016 to provide teachers with an opportunity to participate in discussions and activities relating to the implementation of curriculum documents listed in section 1(i) of the Education Program Guide Order, M333/99.

5.2 **Policy No. 350 - Nutrition**

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MOTION:

That the Education Committee recommends to the Board of Education that Policy No. 350 - Nutrition be approved in principle and forwarded to partner groups until March 7, 2016 for any suggestions for changes.

5.3 Policy No. 507 - Criminal Record Checks

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MOTION:

That the Education Committee recommends to the Board of Education that Policy No. 507 - Criminal Record Checks be approved in principle and forwarded to partner groups until March 7, 2016 for any suggestions for changes.

6. Upcoming Policies

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

7. Question Period

8. Adjournment

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 67 (OKANAGAN SKAHA)

POLICY

POLICY #350 Nutrition

RATIONALE

The Board has a primary responsibility for students' intellectual development and a shared responsibility with families and the community for students' human, social and career development. Current research provides clear evidence about the negative trends in students' nutrition practices and lifestyle choices. It is essential for schools to join together with parents, community members, and health officials to address these alarming trends.

The health of our students impacts on their ability to learn. It is no longer an issue of why we should switch to healthier food choices/options for our students. It is clear that schools need to take a leadership role in promoting healthy food choices to our students.

POLICY

Positive nutrition practices must begin in early childhood when lifelong habits and attitudes are being formed. The Board believes that these habits and attitudes must be reinforced throughout the school years. The school's role is to not only provide nutrition education programs, but also to encourage the consumption of nutritious foods by the students in our schools.

The Board supports healthy food choices and directs the effective implementation of "Guidelines for Food and Beverage Sales in B.C. Schools – 2005" (amended, September 4, 2007, **amended 2013**) by the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Health, in all schools. Each school is expected to develop and implement a "healthy food choices" approach utilizing these guidelines.

ADOPTED: January 15, 2007

Reviewed/Revised: November 5, 2007
Statutory Reference:

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 67 (OKANAGAN SKAHA)

REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES

POLICY #350 Nutrition

1. Each school considers establishing a “Healthy Choices Team” to make decisions on items ordered for the hot lunch menu, school store, special events, fundraisers, vending machine choices, and other food purchases that meet the requirements of the “Guidelines for Food and Beverage Sales in B.C. Schools – 2005” and as amended September 4, 2007 and 2013. Representatives on the team should include a student, teacher, PAC member, and administrator. The “Healthy Choices Team” could be a subcommittee of the PAC or an independent committee at the discretion of the school staff.

2. The schools are required to meet the guidelines recommended by the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Health in “Guidelines for Food and Beverage Sales in B.C. Schools – 2005” and as amended September 4, 2007 and 2013. ~~Individual schools may choose to implement these guidelines immediately or follow the transition as outlined below:~~
 - i) ~~Elementary Schools~~

September 2007

 - ~~At least 80% from “Choose Most” or “Sometimes” categories~~
 - ~~Including at least 50% from the “Choose Most” category~~
 - ~~No more than 10% in “Choose Least” category~~
 - ~~No more than 10% in “Not Recommended” category~~

January 2008

 - ~~100% “Choose Most” or “Sometimes” categories~~
 - ~~Including at least 50% from the “Choose Most” category~~

 - ii) ~~Middle Schools~~

September 2007

 - ~~At least 70% from “Choose Most” or “Sometimes” categories~~
 - ~~Including at least 40% from the “Choose Most” category~~
 - ~~No more than 20% in “Choose Least” category~~
 - ~~No more than 10% in “Not Recommended” category~~

September 2008

 - ~~100% “Choose Most” or “Sometimes” categories~~
 - ~~Including at least 50% from the “Choose Most” category~~

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- ~~• At least 60% from “Choose Most, Sometimes or Least” categories~~
- ~~• No more than 40% from “Not Recommended” category~~

September 2008

- ~~• 100% “Choose Most” or “Sometimes” categories~~
- ~~• Including at least 50% from the “Choose Most” category~~

Schools must honour the terms of existing food/beverage/vending machine contracts provided that vendors meet the healthy food guidelines. All new or renewed contracts must follow the healthy food choice guidelines.

- Schools must follow the criteria for categorizing food products as outlined in the province’s “Guidelines for Food and Beverage Sales in B.C. Schools – 2005 as amended September 4, 2007 and 2013.” The website for reference is www.bced.gov.bc.ca/health/tools.htm#eat.

ADOPTED: January 15, 2007

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November 5, 2007

Statutory Reference:

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 67 (OKANAGAN SKAHA)

POLICY

POLICY #507 Criminal Record Checks

RATIONALE

The Board of Education believes that students should be provided with a safe and secure environment in which to learn and will avoid employing or engaging persons who have a history of criminal activity of a nature that could threaten the safety of students.

POLICY

The Board of Education acknowledges and accepts its responsibility to ensure that criminal record checks are conducted on all employees who work with children. In fulfilling its responsibilities, the Board is guided by the *Criminal Records Review Act* (the "Act"), which came into force on January 1, 1996, and the **Criminal Record Review Program**.

The Board also requires all volunteers potentially having unsupervised access to children to authorize the local RCMP office to conduct a criminal record check. The result of this criminal record check must be satisfactory to the Board.

ADOPTED: June 25, 2001

Reviewed/Revised: February 9, 2004
September 10, 2007

Statutory Reference: *Criminal Records Review Act*

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 67 (OKANAGAN SKAHA)**REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES****POLICY #507 Criminal Record Checks****1. Employees**

- (a) A criminal record check is mandatory for anyone employed by the Board of Education.
- (b) Any fees resulting from a Criminal Record Check are the responsibility of the employee.
- (c) While a criminal charge or conviction will not necessarily preclude employment with the Board, criminal charges or convictions which are found to be related to the employment or intended employment may result in the termination of employment or the loss of an employment opportunity.
- (d) All employment with the school district will be conditional upon a satisfactory Criminal Record Check.
- (e) Employees and prospective employees who are subject to the *Criminal Records Review Act* must authorize a Criminal Record Check in accordance with that Act.

2. Volunteers

Activities where a Criminal Record Check is required for volunteers include: coaching school teams; accompanying students on overnight field trips; and driving students to and/or from school sponsored events in accordance with district policy.

- (a) Principals, vice principals, or supervisors who use volunteers whose participation in a school activity may involve unsupervised access to students or individuals who volunteer on a regular basis are responsible for ensuring the "RCMP Consent for Disclosure of Criminal Record Information" forms are completed and forwarded to the human resources department.
- (b) A Criminal Record Check may be required for volunteers for other events when deemed necessary by the principal.
- (c) All persons offering to serve as volunteers will be screened by the principal or designate to determine the basis for the person's interest. This screening will also help to determine the person's skills and talents, establish their potential contributions to the school and help to determine an appropriate placement.

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- (d) All Criminal Record Checks will be held in strict confidence.
- (e) The processing of Criminal Record Checks for volunteers will be coordinated by the school district through the ~~assistant superintendent's office~~ **the Human Resources department.**
- (f) Based upon information received on the Criminal Record Check, applicants may be contacted for further information regarding suitability.

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