



RECONFIGURATION Secondary Working Committee

REPORT To: Reconfiguration Advisory Committee

REPORT Date: January 18, 2018

Secondary Working Committee Membership:

CSS	Sharon Bernard, Jason Templeton
Ed Centre	Sean Wicker
FVDES	Todd Mclean, Dennis Miller
GWG	Shane Wiseman, Hugh Longhurst
SSS	Dan Heisler/Lynnet Schramm, Brad Geary
District Office	Rohan Arul-pragasam (Assistant Superintendent – Committee Chair)

MANDATE:

The Secondary School Implementation Working Committee will provide information and recommendations regarding reconfiguring all three high schools and the Education Centre to a grade 9-12 model to the Implementation Advisory Committee, Board of Education and Superintendent.

MISSION:

"To successfully implement the transition to a grade 9-12 high school framework effective September 2018, while meeting the academic, social and emotional needs of students in our Community."

TERMS OF REFERENCE:

The Committee will garner feedback from school working committees, receive presentations, explore issues, review recommendations and implement feasible solutions after reporting back to schools and the Advisory Committee.

Upcoming Working Committee Meetings (minimum):

- November 9th, 2017
- January 18th, 2018
- February 15th, 2018
- April 5th, 2018
- May 10th, 2018
- May 31st, 2018

Note: Other meetings will be scheduled as required.





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Secondary Working Committee Meeting – January 18, 2018

1. Considerations:

- GWG – waiting for numbers
- CSS – facilities, when will have answers on resources, counsellor and resource teachers concerned about increased numbers (double cohort), plan is for administrative involvement in transition
- SS – facilities (where will the portables be accommodated), also concerns of counsellors in dealing with intake
- Ed Centre – need to decide what to do at the middle school level and what the CHANCE and Ed Centre does for grade 9s, facilities
- Distance Education – internal reconfiguration, waiting to find out what Distance Education will look like in September

2. Facilities

- CSS is trying to create space, need nine additional classrooms minimum
- SSs – need to know where they are at regarding portables
- GWG – need at least five portables, will be repurposing some rooms
- Need to confirm facilities by the end of January
- May move some portables from elementary and middle schools

3. Athletics After Reconfiguration

- Document presented that points out the issue. Reconfiguration can be negative or positive
- Recommendation – hoping the district will allow charging of a small amount of money to member schools (per team in leagues, including non-Chilliwack public schools) to have an athletic coordinator in place to ensure a positive outcome
- Want to make sure that grade 9 students are not lost, that they have leagues and teams to participate in
- Grade 6s are heavily involved in athletics
- If we drop teams it will also effect other school districts (Agassiz, Hope)
- Parents expect a robust athletics program
- Who picks up the grade 9s if the coordinator stays at middle school?
- Reconfiguration will strengthen athletics
- District helping teacher for athletics?

4. Other

- Each school will send the district a list of additional resources required
- Timetables and course offerings need to be done by March 4-5