RECONFIGURATION – IMPLEMENTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE



Meeting May 15, 2018 - Minutes

1. Welcome and Review of April 9, 2018 Minutes

Co-chair Trustee Bob Patterson welcomed Advisory Committee members. No questions were raised about the minutes of the April 9, 2018 Committee Meeting.

2. Report – Elementary School Implementation Working Committee

On behalf of Director of Instruction Janet Hall and Principal Chuck Bloch, Director of Instruction Kirk Savage highlighted the work done at the elementary level in preparation for Reconfiguration:

- Hiring is in process and according to plan.
- Continuing work on envisioning the K-5 philosophy, including working on an improved system for reporting on student learning.
- Some elementary schools have had larger enrolment than expected and additional divisions have been added. There is sufficient physical space at the schools but additional hiring is required.

3. Report - Middle School Implementation Working Committee

Director of Instruction Kirk Savage and Principal Paula Gosal highlighted the work done at the middle level in preparation for Reconfiguration. The April, 2018 Middle Working Committee Report can be found here: https://sd33.bc.ca/sites/sd33.bc.ca/files/2018-05/Middle%20WC%20Report%20to%20Advisory%20April%202018.pdf

4. Report – Secondary School Implementation Working Committee

Assistant Superintendent Rohan Arul-pragasam and Principal Brian Fehlauer highlighted the work that is underway at the secondary level in preparation for Reconfiguration:

Catchment and Choice

- We have accommodated all of MSMS with siblings at SSS.
- We still have some students who are on call wanting to attend SSS.
- High school enrollments have increased: SSS 1,387, (1412), CSS 1410 (1455), GWG 1177 (1209)
- Project new students transitioning over the summer.
- Projected growth similar to previous years: 1.5% 2.0%.
- Completed looking at resources needs.
- Continue to review space allocation across all three schools, specifically meaningful physical
 education spaces and pressure on elective classes such as shop and food services leading to
 "youth explore, train or trade in career opportunities."
- All three secondary schools are almost complete with balancing student schedules and maximizing space.
- Hiring is complete with some possible additional postings in June.
- We have a team at secondary looking at how best to implement the new careers curriculum (for graduation) from 10-12.

- Teams will be looking at a scope and sequence document for careers (specifically at secondary) – model, hours, grad credit, capstone, portfolio.
- Our model mirrors what is being done across the Fraser Valley and other districts, and we continue to meet to refine our model.
- Our goal is a quality career education model with a meaningful capstone before students graduate.

Boomerang Project Peer Mentoring LINK Crew Training

- Successful training February 26-28, 2018
- Successful teams at each school to ensure that mentoring will be in place for 2018-2019.

Questions/Comments:

- Grade 9 students in secondary schools are being accommodated in physical education and
 other electives such as mechanics and food services, as well as new electives such as new
 media. The new physical education curriculum has some classroom based health components
 that will free up gym space. Outdoor and off-campus activities are also available.
- Grade 9 and Grade 10 students will be able to tour their secondary schools prior to the beginning of the 2018-2019 school year: e.g., student photo taken before the start of school and school tours in the last week of August.
- 170 students have applied to be Link Crew program leaders at CSS. 80 students will be chosen through interviews.

5. Bussing

- An additional bus has been added to the fleet and it will help to decrease the amount of time some students arrive before school and stay after school.
- Rearranging bussing for the south side due to boundary changes.
- Walk limits remain the same.

6. Superintendent Updates

- Secondary teacher staffing is complete, most middle teachers have been hired and elementary postings are out. Retirements will be covered in June 11 postings.
- Facilities staff are working on preparing the sites for new portables. Five new portables will arrive by the end of September, 2018.
- The Board of Education's 5 Year Capital Plan includes expansions at GWG (shop and food services spaces), CSS and changing from portables to permanent school spaces as priorities.
 Chilliwack School District is top in the province in the portables/student ratio and the Ministry is aware of the district's needs.
- The Facilities crew is doing an amazing job in ensuring schools are ready for the start of school in September, 2018.
- 7. Next and LAST! meeting date: <u>Monday</u>, June 4, 2018, Computer Lab, 2nd Floor, Neighbourhood Learning Centre, 46361 Yale Road.