



*A community engaged in the pursuit of lifelong learning and educational excellence*

# 46 BOARD MEETING SYNOPSIS

*The following is a Synopsis of a recent school district board meeting. Formal minutes are published and are available on the school district website: [www.sd46.bc.ca/Board](http://www.sd46.bc.ca/Board)*

## Board Meetings

School Board Meetings are scheduled on the second Tuesday of each school month. The meetings start at 7:00 PM at the School Board Office, located at 494 South Fletcher Road in Gibsons unless noted below.

If you wish to make a presentation at a meeting, contact Colleen McPhedran at 604-886-4492.

## November 8, 2011 Board Meeting



*Celebrating Education!  
Sunshine Coast Alternative Program*

**Carolyn Spence**, Principal

of Sunshine Coast Alternative School, along with two students, shared positive experiences with the Alternative Program. One-on-one instruction and structuring of programs with a focus on the student's individual abilities help to provide the students with confidence and help them plan for future goals.

The very successful Culinary Arts, Salon and Marine Industries Services Training programs were highlighted.



**The REACH (Reintegrating Existing Assets in Community Hubs) Initiative**

presentation was led by Chad Hershler, co-creative director of deer crossing the art farm.

**2011 - 2012**

**Scheduled Board Meetings  
(Tuesdays at 7:00 PM)**

**Next Meetings:**

<b>December 6</b>	<b>December 13</b>
<b>January 10, 2012</b>	<b>February 14</b>
<b>March 13</b>	<b>April 10</b>
<b>May 8</b>	<b>June 12</b>

Committee meetings which are open to the public will be advertised on the school district website under "Board Meetings"

## School Trustees

Silas White, Chair .....	604-886-8668
Lori Pratt, Vice-Chair .....	604-885-3808
Fran Heppell .....	604-886-0070
Dave Mewhort.....	604-885-4546
Greg Russell.....	604-886-8388
Jason Scott .....	604-886-1494

## School Board Office

Patrick Bocking, Superintendent of Schools  
494 S. Fletcher, Box 220, Gibsons, BC V0N 1V0  
Telephone: (604) 886-8811, Fax: (604) 886-4652  
e-mail: [dwagner@sd46.bc.ca](mailto:dwagner@sd46.bc.ca)

The art farm is a not-for-profit arts organization on the Sunshine Coast. Its mission is to create meaningful change for individuals and communities by facilitating collaboration between artists, innovators and the natural world.

The REACH Initiative is an ongoing Sunshine Coast initiative with other key community partners (including Sunshine Coast Arts Council and the One Straw Society) looking at how creative and social entrepreneurs can share existing resources and space to maximize productivity and results.

### Strategic Plan 2009-2012 Update...

The Board's Strategic Plan was reviewed last year (October 2010) and a business plan to carry out its objectives was created. Each month elements in the plan will be reported on by senior management.

At the November meeting, **Patrick Bocking, Superintendent**, spoke about Numeracy and Literacy and the need for student assessment and the definition of Formative and Summative Assessment.

Information published in the Achievement Contract (view the document in full at <http://www.sd46.bc.ca/index.php/achievement-contract>) was discussed. Early Learning data is encouraging as it shows a link between what the district has done through these programs and the end results.

### British Columbia's Education Plan...

**Patrick Bocking, Superintendent**, showed the Ministry of Education's web presentation,

*BC's Education Plan*. BC's Education system was designed a century ago and the world has changed – we need to support students' changing needs and opportunities.

### Annual Facilities Grant Funding Formula...



**Secretary-Treasurer, Nicholas Weswick**, provided information on the funding formula for the Annual Facilities Grant.

### Committee Reports

The Education Committee and the Finance, Facilities & Transportation Committee submitted reports in the November 8, 2011 Board Agenda package. Detailed information on these notes can be perused at: <http://www.sd46.bc.ca/index.php/board-meetings-2011-12>

### Thanks to the Board...

**Ruth Emerson**, CUPE Local 801, thanked the Board of Education for their past three years of service.

### Board Meetings...

The Board approved a motion to hold the **Inaugural Meeting of the new Board on Tuesday, December 6, 2011** at the School Board Office.

The Regular Board Meeting will be on **Tuesday, December 13, 2011** at the School Board Office.