

TOPICS:

Student Environment Committee

Health and Safety, Emergency Planning and Preparedness

Five-Year Capital Plan

Board Motions

ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE - Students from Nanaimo District and John Barsby secondary schools presented their plan to create a Youth Climate Action Network for the school district. The plan is to create a network of environment clubs across elementary and secondary schools.

Superintendent Scott Saywell committed to fulfilling the group's request of \$2,500 per year for the next two years.

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SAFETY AND WELLNESS – Manager of Occupational Safety and Wellness Will Dirksen, provided an overview of the district's health and safety, and emergency planning and preparedness protocols.

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CAPITAL PLAN – Director of Planning and Operations Pete Sabo presented the district's Five-Year Capital Plan.

The Board approved the proposed 2020-21 Five-Year Capital Plan.

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MOTIONS – The Board dealt with the following recommendations brought forth from this month's Business and Education committee meetings:

- **BOARD POLICY** – The Board referred the amendments to Board Policy to the Policy Committee for recommendations.
- **STRATEGIC PLAN** – The Board agreed to engage in a public process to gather feedback on the draft [Strategic Plan](#).

- **TRUSTEE REMUNERATION** – The Board directed staff to review and propose a reasonable equity solution for both Trustee remuneration and benefits, including retroactive considerations.
- **CLIMATE CRISIS** – The Board referred the matter of climate crisis to the Policy Committee for review once the Strategic Plan has been passed.
- **CLIMATE CRISIS** - The Board agreed to make the following belief statement:
Without remediation, climate change will interfere with our capacity to achieve our mandate of educating the students of NLPS and will undermine the wellbeing of our communities. The Board of Education of School District #68 (Nanaimo-Ladysmith) is committed to sustainability and environmental stewardship. Further, as our Syeyutus Policy states, “Nanaimo Ladysmith Public Schools respects and cherishes the land our schools and offices are situated upon. The land and its resources touch every aspect of our life, and is the cornerstone of our connectivity.” As such, The Board of Education of School District #68 (Nanaimo Ladysmith) believes it important to be an active part of the solution to our current climate crisis.
- **MEETING VENUE** – The Board requested staff to provide a report outlining costs and community engagement considerations pertaining to holding Education Committee meetings physically in schools.

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