

School District #75 (Mission)
Trades Training Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes

April 13, 2021, 4:00 pm
Zoom Meeting

Members Present: **Trustee, Julia Renkema**
 Trustee, Randy Cairns

 Superintendent, Angus Wilson
 Member at Large, Dan Schubert
 Principal, Jim Pearce
 Principal, Wade Peary
 Member at Large, Michael Jackson

Members Absent: **Member at Large, Chad Umlah**
 Member at Large, Chris Gruenwald

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at [4:02pm] by the Chairperson. The Chair acknowledged that Mission Public Schools is held on Stó:lō Territory. There are four First Nation Bands within the boundaries of the Mission School District: Leq:a'mel, Sq'èwlets, Kwantlen, and Matsqui First Nations.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOVED and Seconded that the Agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

3. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4.1 Trades Survey Results

Staff has sent out a Career Path Survey to Grade 10-12 Students, to get a sense of student plans for Post-Secondary studies. Progress results have

been shared and discussed. To date, 190 responses have been received from MSS and Fraserview and 45 from Riverside (4/12).

The survey will close April 30.

SD75 faces a challenge of growth at Riverside College and 'maxed out' programming at MSS. There is a need for more elementary exposure. Summer school Applied Skills?

4.2 Gravity Car Competition and next year Enrollment (MSS)

MSS Principal shared information about Gravity Car Competition and 2021/2022 Enrollment. The Gravity Car Competition event started several years ago and has been well attended each year. Prizes and goodies were handed out during the outdoor event. The pictures and video showed how engaged the students were in this event.

5. **NEW BUSINESS**

5.1 ADST Trades trailer and kits

A picture of an ADST trailer was sent to the committee members. The Principal of Riverside College, Wade Peary discussed details. Nanaimo has been using trailers for trades days at elementary schools. They have also started to make smaller carts for the elementary schools. The Committee would like to consider utilizing similar concept in SD75. The Trailer may not be possible at this time, so the discussion was redirected towards acquiring Trades carts stocked with tools and materials. Principal Peary shared information about the 'Elementary Woodshop' program. Donations and sponsorships were also discussed. ITA will not be funding; but ITA could be applied to materials students build with.

5.2 Outline of the Final Report to the Board of Education

The Committee Chair presented a draft outline of the Final Report to the Board of Education. Everyone is invited to provide their input to the document. Each of the principals will be ensuring that the information that relates to their school is accurate and reflects the internal connections that are in place between MSS, Riverside, Fraserview and the Middle Schools. The Superintendent will be providing information about the two Middle Schools.

School District capacity issues will be expanded to provide a clearer picture of our facility constraints compared to student demand for Trades programs.

The experts in local trades will comment on their needs and support for the school district initiatives. Principal Wade Peary will be contributing to

the section on Educational partnerships to bring more trades programs to the school district. The Funding and sponsorship opportunities section will evolve as more options are explored.

6. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

6.1 Minutes from TTAC Meeting, February 9, 2021

7. INFORMATION ITEMS

7.1 SD75 Letter to Minister Whiteside RE: Funding Reinstatement for Trades

8. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED and Seconded that the Board adjourn the meeting.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 pm.