

Auburn, Cole Harbour Family of Schools – School Options Committee Meeting Notes

Nov 21st, 2016; 6:30 pm - 8:30 -pm
 Cole Harbour Cafeteria

Purpose

- SOC re-group into 4 working areas: Data, Communication, Terms of Reference, Stakeholder
- SOC gain insight on school capacities and projections from HRSB representative
- SOC finalize decisions on stakeholder engagement and date for first public meeting

Notes from November 14th, 2016

First approval by Susan
 Seconded: Adele
 All group: motion carried

Notes

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
HRSB questions and answers HRSB staff: Elwin LeRoux	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The School Review policy asks the community to problems solve and to make recommendations to the governing Board (HRSB). The Board makes the decisions. The Board and staff will not direct the SOC, but will respond to questions through facilitator. Ask for what you need. - The mandate: physical buildings and optimizing programming. Serving kids is your guiding principle - There are capital constraints: There is a set amount of operational funding that is managed at the HRSB level. Major stuff goes to Province where it goes on a list with all other infrastructure including bridges, hospitals, etc. - The Board can ask program staff and principals to be available to help inform the 	no action request for staff presence to be submitted on an as needed basis

	<p>scenarios. High quality instruction is the most important variable.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The timeline is set by provincial policy with no way to change it. 	
<p>Panel discussion on Race</p> <p>Community Representatives: Ken Fells Marlene Ruck Simmonds Ross Simmonds</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SOC decisions will impact our communities - You have stepped up. Your challenge includes achieving equity. - HRSB has pledged to be culturally relevant. Place learners at the center. There is no question that we have made progress at all schools in terms of race relations - Education plays significant role in youth development. Offer children - no matter where they are from a top-notch education. - Justice and respect for community, and being student centered, are prevailing principles. - Hope is that we can create an education system that values everyone and that doesn't abet underachievement and marginalization. 	<p>SOC request follow-up with representatives to be included as stakeholders</p>
<p>Stakeholder engagement</p>	<p>Stakeholders meeting: Agenda includes overview of the mandate of SOC, involved schools and other relevant information. SOC will also ask invited stakeholder guest to inform SOC on relevant information based on their area of expertise.</p> <p>Stakeholder meeting to happen in December.</p>	<p>Confirm date for stakeholders meeting at next SOC meeting</p> <p>Complete list of stakeholders prior to next SOC meeting and type proposed stakeholder engagement plan (LaMeia)</p>