



Media Release

Highlights of May 8, 2018 Board Meeting

Science Fair and Bridge Building

École Roosevelt Park Community School Vice-Principal Peter Scott attended the Board Meeting with students who attended the Science Fair and/or the Bridge Building events. Those students are:

- Maria Levkovystka - CHSS
- Cameron Sawka - PRMS
- Samantha Alvarez - Roosevelt
- Witayanee Pimwong - Roosevelt

The students described their projects and the benefits they have received by participating in these events.

"The Board was very pleased to hear that Maria Levkovystka will be attending the Canada Wide Science Fair in Ottawa with her project examining complex systems," said Board Chair Tina Last. "We are pleased to be supporting these events that provide opportunities for students to explore their passions, and we offer our thanks to Mr. Scott for his work organizing these events."

Charles Hays Secondary School Timetable for 2018-2019

The Board of Education learned about the new timetable that will be implemented at Charles Hays Secondary School for the 2018-2019 school year. The school will move from an 8 block, semester timetable to a 15 block, trimester timetable. Most courses will be split into 2 parts, which is expected to improve student success and will also accommodate a number of new Provincial course offerings which are 2 credit courses instead of the standard 4 credit courses.

Students will also participate in flex courses, which will count towards the new required 8 credits in career education.



Board Authorized Courses

In conjunction with the new timetable at CHSS, the Board of Education approved two Board Authorized Courses for use at the school commencing September 2018. These courses are:

Flex 10, Flex 11 and Flex 12; and
Career Life Connections 11

Safe Place

The Prince Rupert RCMP is offering stickers to establishments which are willing to serve as a Safe Place for members of the LBGTQ community who are seeking shelter in response to incidents of crime, bullying or harassment. This program has come to the community through the efforts of the Gay Straight Alliance club at Charles Hays Secondary School and their sponsor, teacher Christine Danroth.

The Board of Education approved district schools and offices as places where Safe Place stickers can be posted in windows.

Conrad Elementary School Playground

The Ministry of Education has established a new Playground Equipment Program. From the first \$5 million available province-wide, Conrad Elementary School has been awarded \$105,000 for accessible playground equipment. This equipment must be purchased and installed by March 31, 2019.

Policy Committee Work

1 policy was approved by the Board of Education to replace the existing policy:
4310 Occupational Health & Safety Policy

3 policies were approved by the Board of Education to be sent out to partner groups for their input:

6310 Role of the Board Policy
6140 Role of the Trustee and Trustee Code of Conduct Policy
6510 Communication Policy

The Board welcomes feedback from partner groups on draft policies to ensure that approved bylaws and policies will meet the needs of the district's students and staff.

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