

134: INDIGENOUS EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (P)

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POLICY

The Board of Education believes that the education of Indigenous learners is enhanced by meaningful and regular consultation with and input from the local Indigenous community. The Board endorses the formation of the Indigenous Education Advisory Committee to assist the Board of Education in meeting the needs of Indigenous learners.

REGULATIONS

1.0 PURPOSE

The purpose of the Indigenous Education Advisory Committee includes:

- 1.1 liaison with local first nations and the Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council;
- 1.2 advice into the development of Indigenous Education programs;
- 1.3 advice as to the expenditure of supplemental Indigenous education funds;
- 1.4 provision of resource people with respect to cultural, educational and governance concerns;
- 1.5 advice as to the development and monitoring of the Indigenous Enhancement Agreement,
- 1.6 and advice and support to the District answering the Calls to Action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, and UNDRIP that pertain to education.

2.0 COMPOSITION

One representative from Ucluelet First Nation
One representative from Tseshah First Nation
One representative from Hupacasath First Nation
One representative from Tlaouquiat First Nation
One representative from Ditidaht First Nation
One representative from Huu-ay-aht First Nation
One representative from Toquaht First Nation
One representative from Uchucklesaht First Nation
One representative from Ahousaht First Nation

One representative from Hesquiaht First Nation
Two representatives of the Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council
One representative from the Port Alberni Metis Association
One representative from the Port Alberni Friendship Centre
Three trustees from SD 70 Pacific Rim
Superintendent or designate
District Principal – Indigenous Education
One representative from the PVPA
One representative from the Alberni District Teachers Union

The committee will be co-chaired by a Board of Education representative and an Indigenous representative.

3.0 TIME OF MEETINGS

The Committee will meet at the call of the Chair.

4.0 COMMITTEE OBJECTIVES

- 4.1 to develop and reinforce in Indigenous students a strong Indigenous identity, pride in their heritage, and a feeling of self-worth as First Nations people;
- 4.2 to assist in the development of Indigenous education programs which enhance academic and vocational skills, while promoting personal, social and cultural growth;
- 4.3 to improve the learning environment at all levels of the school system so that Indigenous students may gain maximum benefit from their formal education.
- 4.4 to increase the number of Indigenous graduates able to gain immediate employment or develop work/career patterns;
- 4.5 to increase the number of Indigenous graduates with skills of value in the development of their communities;
- 4.6 to establish structures through which Indigenous people at the community level can define and implement their goals for education.