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5. Reports from Senior Management

a. Special Education Review March Update

Director of Instruction, Learning Services Cunnings and Associate Superintendent Naser provided the update, including the process for the review and how the data will be collected. Stakeholder engagement will include focus groups; Thoughtexchange; school and district process.

The process will include the following:

- comprehensive review of special education services and programs
- special education review advisory group
- data collection
- schools; district; consultation
- guiding document outlining directions for improvement

Concern was expressed regarding the lack of one-on-one interviews with parents who may not be comfortable sharing private information in public. It was confirmed that there will be an opportunity for parents to provide feedback in a private setting. An independent consultant will also be engaged.

Superintendent Hachlaf indicated that this budget process will provide opportunities for detail and the big picture.

- ii. Board and Committee Meeting Calendar - September 2019 to June 2020

Moved and Seconded.

THAT the Combined Education and Operations Policy & Planning Committee recommend to the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) approval of the Board and Committee Meeting Calendar 2019-2020 as presented.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. General Announcements

Nil.

7. New Business

- a. Board Policy Revision: Policy 7 Board Operations (M. Gifford)

Draft revisions to Policy 7, Board Operations were reviewed. Edits were suggested for item 6. Trustee In-Service Sessions; item 7.5, third paragraph; and item 10.4.

Once revisions are finalized, the corresponding edits will be applied as appropriate for Policy 8, Board Committees.

Chair Gifford indicated that due to time constraints prior to the March 12, 2019 Board meeting, that District staff provide edits for review prior to inclusion in the Board meeting package.

MOTION AMENDED

Moved and Seconded

THAT the Combined Education and Operations Policy & Planning Committee recommend to the Board of Education of School District No. 40 (New Westminster) to bring forward the draft Policy 7, Board Operations, as amended, to the Board meeting on March 12, 2019.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:19pm.