

## SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 23 – BOARD COMMITTEE REPORT

COMMITTEE: Education and Student Services DATE: October 5, 2005

CHAIRPERSON: Trustee Horan STAFF CONTACT: J. McElgunn

### Attendees:

Trustee C. Horan - Chairperson

Trustee G. Scanlan - Committee member

Trustee W. Horning - Committee member

J. McElgunn, Asst. Supt. – Senior staff

Trustee M. Baxter

Trustee E. Buckley

Trustee A. Hunt-Binkley

B. Bertram (recorder)

### Partner Group Representation:

CUPE 3523 Richard Gauthier

COTA Jack Holly

PAC

Val Broman

COPVPA

Mary-Anne Smirle

### Elementary Computer Labs

The Assistant Superintendent provided a copy of the report “Beginnings of Promise” which addresses the issue of Elementary Computer Labs given that the district is piloting the Wireless Technology project. Several Principals presented information on their students’ successes with SuccessMaker and Star Reader with achievement gains ranging from grade level increases of .7 to 1.9 in literacy.

### Outcome

That the following recommendation be put forward to the Board for discussion at the October 26<sup>th</sup> Public Board Meeting.

THAT: The Board tie use of the elementary lab to the school and district literacy and numeracy goals.

AND FURTHER THAT: The Board develop options for Star Reader and other similar software to be used to support literacy and numeracy.

AND FURTHER THAT: The Board use the Learning Centre to provide district wide in-service on learning software for teachers to use as a key strategy for literacy and numeracy.

AND FURTHER THAT: The Board include the database information available through SuccessMaker and Star Reader in the data analysis for the school goals relative to student achievement.

AND FURTHER THAT: The Education and Student Services Committee provide the Board with an updated district-wide report in March 2007.

### Policy 405 and 405R – “Student Placement” and Admin. Procedure – “Registration/Waiting List Procedure for Students”

Trustees discussed several issues to be reviewed; students out of catchment areas, their siblings, and registration priorities and alignment to Administrative Procedures.

### Outcome

Tabled to the next meeting.

**Draft Policy “K – 12 Enhanced Funding for Aboriginal Education”**

This policy was received from the Aboriginal Education Committee via the Board.

**Outcome**

Recommendation:

THAT: The draft policy, as amended, be sent to the Board for adoption into the Policy Manual.

**Items for Future Agenda**

To be determined.

Next Committee Meeting Date: Nov. 2, 2005 6:30 pm Location: School Board Office Board Room

Questions: Please Contact: Trustee Caryl Horan Phone: 762-6318