

Equity Ad Hoc Board Committee Terms of Reference

Purpose:

The Equity Ad Hoc Board Committee is an ad hoc committee established by the Board for the purpose of examining the practices of the District to determine the extent to which justice, equity, diversity, inclusive (JEDI) and accessible policies, practices, and culture opportunities are being provided for students and staff.

Deliverables:

To make recommendations to the Board that foster equity within the district via:

- Support for marginalized communities who face systemic barriers
- Human Resource allocations
- Evaluation of Programming
- The distribution of financial resources
- Provide budget recommendations to the Board annually by February
- Training for staff
- Policy recommendations

Membership:

- Two trustees
- Superintendent or designate
- Three school administrators, one each from elementary, middle and high school
- Three representatives from the Greater Victoria Teachers' Association
- One representative from the Canadian Union of Public Employees Local382
- One representative from the Canadian Union of Public Employees Local947
- One representative from the Victoria Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils
- One representative of Indigenous ancestry, selected from the Indigenous Education Department and/or the Indigenous Education Advisory Council (IEAC)
- Two student representatives from the Representative Advisory Council of Students

Timeline:

- The Committee shall review its T.O.R. each June and make a recommendation to the Board on the continuation of the committee in the following school year.

Voting:

- It is expected that the committee will use a consensus model for decision making. When this is not possible, decisions will be made by a majority vote.
- Quorum for voting will consist of a minimum of 7 members, of which one shall be a Trustee.

Procedural Note:

- It is anticipated that the committee will liaise with other committees to inform the work of these committees.
- The committee will be able to seek information from district staff and outside sources as determined by the committee.
- The committee meeting times and locations will be posted on the District website.
- Meetings summaries will be posted to the district website.
- That the committee meets in person whenever possible.

- The public is welcome to attend meetings.

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