

# Curriculum redesign advisory committee

*November 8, 2016 Dept. of Education*

## ATTENDANCE

Judy Arnold, Nicole Morgan, Edith Elder, Holly Fraser, Lorraine Taillefer, Jill Mason, Jennifer Wykes, Carol Coote, Mike Woods, Anton Solomon, Scott Kerby, Penny Prysruk, Marc Champagne, Laura Lang, Greg Storey, Julie Todd, Gary Morgan, Danielle Sheldon, Tammy Stoneman.

Regrets:

## **1. Welcome**

## **2. Approval of the Minutes**

N/A

## **3. SharePoint site – Holly Fraser**

The committee will have a collaborative SharePoint site that will house the drafts and documents, and agendas/minutes. The new vision drafts will be in an archived folder there. Should be ready before the next meeting. Communications can help troubleshoot if members have trouble access/using it.

### **Action**

Communications preparing site and will notify members when it's ready.

## **4. Update on curriculum redesign – Nicole Morgan**

General:

- Communications: aiming to make formal announcement in January after briefing new Minister. Planning community visits and public info sessions on curriculum changes.
- School Councils: will deliver at School Council Spring Conference, possible devoting 1 day to it.

Assessment committee:

There are 40 members of the Assessment Committee, divided into 3 groups. They are looking at skills of learning, training, gathering resources, and common ideas & themes.

### **A. Updating formal and informal reporting:**

- Revising handbook for teachers
- Marks and more formative assessment/feedback – extending time until final

evaluations, giving lots of examples, references and being clear on expectations.

- Looking at other jurisdictions

## **B. Portfolios**

- Informal reporting/ competency profiles
- Student create a Competency Skills Portfolio that will be a demonstration of their skills
- Have engaged some external partners to be involved/ Elder Mark Wedge & the CEAY- Edith Elder

Exam changes in 2017:

Exams in January will look different but there will not be changes to the course requirements. BCP exams are being phased out and replaced with in-class assessments and a provincial numeracy and literacy assessment.

There will no longer be exams for Gr. 10 in English, Math & Science. Grade 12 students will still write English 12 exam this year.

## **5. Public Schools reorganisation - Mike Woods & Nicole Morgan**

With the additional work for the curriculum redesign and the growth of Yukon schools, there are now two ADMs in Public Schools.

Mike Woods, ADM of Schools, will take on the operational business of the schools, concentrating on supports to those schools, their Superintendents & staff. This will allow for more time to be spent with and communicating with those people and schools directly. The School Growth Plan process will be returned to the Superintendents. The messaging will be important in order to have everyone with us. We need 70-80% critical mass over the next 4 years, stressing the importance of data measures.

Nicole Morgan, ADM of Learning, will oversee the curriculum redesign implementation and leadership of curriculum supports, FNPP, and IT, etc.

The next Summer Academy will focus in-depth on the K-9 curriculum and sample units being developed for competency-based learning. Questions about cultural protocols.

**Action:** Jennifer Wykes to look into cultural protocols.

## **6. Other**

DM provided brief update on the Educator Evaluation Committee and the School Review process. In the near future, the committee will meet and look at big picture, what worked with the review process and what did not.

**7. Next meeting**

**December 6, 2016/ 12:30 -3:30**