



ITEM 14

To: **Board of Education**

From: Trustee
Mike Murray

Re: **MOTION TO BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES
ASSOCIATION – REVIEW AND
STREAMLINING OF PROVINCIAL
REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

Date: February 15, 2023
(Public Board Meeting)

Decision

BACKGROUND/RATIONALE:

Reporting requirements of Boards of Education by the Ministry of Education and Child Care have increased substantially over the past several years to the extent that significant administrative resources are required to meet these obligations. A thorough and regular vetting of these requirements is needed to establish the value of required reports and identify which can be eliminated to avoid wasting valuable administrative resources.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Board approve the following motion for submission to BCSTA:

“That BCSTA request the Ministry of Education and Child Care initiate a review aimed at streamlining the Ministry’s reporting requirements of Boards of Education and implement the recommended reporting changes without delay. The review should be conducted in collaboration with education partners.”

Review and Streamlining of Provincial Reporting Requirements

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Category: Boards of Education

Motion #: 8 : A20238

Meeting: AGM 2023

Sponsor: Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows

Action: *not specified*

Category:

Outcome:

- May 2023: President and CEO discussed with ADM Liddy and ADM Brown (Victoria).
- July 12, 2023: Letter sent to ADM Chris Brown.
- Aug 24, 2023: ADM Chris Brown & team make presentation to BCSTA BoD re: funding

Disposition: Carried as amended

Motion as Adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That BCSTA request the Ministry of Education and Child Care initiate a review aimed at streamlining the Ministry's reporting requirements of Boards of Education and implement the recommended reporting changes without delay. The review should be conducted in collaboration with education partners and rightsholders.

Motion as Presented:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That BCSTA request the Ministry of Education and Child Care initiate a review aimed at streamlining the Ministry's reporting requirements of Boards of Education and implement the recommended reporting changes without delay. The review should be conducted in collaboration with education partners.

Rationale:

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In recent years the number of regular reports required to be filed with the Ministry of Education and Child Care and other provincial organizations has increased significantly.

A few examples of reports added in recent years:

Financial

- Student and Family Affordability Fund - Reports
- Event Driven Reporting - Districts are to report costs and savings in the current School Year

- Classroom Enhancement Fund reports
- Financial Statements Discussion and Analysis
- Indigenous targeted funding reports
- BCTEA transportation annual submissions and spending reports

Education

- FESL report

Facilities

- Ventilation
- Lead in water
- Portables inventory
- Monthly progress reports on major capital projects

Human Resources

- Weekly staff attendance data
- Annual submissions to BCPSEA for approval of proposed Exempt Staff salary increases

Reference(s):

This relates to policy statement 2.1.2.

This is an action motion and does not change or contradict any existing Foundational or Policy Statement.