

# **Advisory Committee Summary Information**

## **Committee Name:**

# **Advisory for Inclusive Education** (Previously Special Education Advisory Committee)

#### 1. Mandate

The primary mandate of the *Advisory for Inclusive Education* is to inform and discuss current and future directions for inclusive and diverse education practices with community and partner groups.

## 2. Membership

Membership from staff of School District #34

Director of Learning support Services (Chair)

Abbotsford Principals' and Vice Principals' Association representative

ADTA representative

Learning Support Services Helping teacher

Learning Support Services District staff (counsellor, psychologist or SLP)

Teamsters representative

**DPAC** representative

**ELL** representative

Curriculum representative

District Principal Aboriginal Education

Membership from the community

**CLBC** Representative

MCFD SN Representative

Aboriginal CYMH Representative

**CYMH Liaison** 

Fraser Valley Child Development Representative

(SNAC, Monarch House)

#### 3. Relationships:

The committee reports to the Board of Education through the Director of Instruction –Learning Support Services

#### 4. Organization

• The committee will meet three times annually in the CORE building from 8:30 – 10:00.

- Agendas will be created by the chair (Director of Instruction LSS) with input from parents, partner groups, and/or senior staff
- A Learning Support Services staff member will act as the official recorder.
- This committee will provide:
  - o an advisory venue for issues pertaining to Learning Support Services in SD 34. This is not a decision making committee.
  - o a venue where parents and community partners can learn about the District's Learning Support Services programs, processes and plans.
  - an avenue for input and suggestions to the Director of Instruction Learning Support
    Services and indirectly to the Board of School Trustees
  - o an opportunity for positive dialogue with respect to emerging District and/or Ministry of Education issues regarding diverse learners

# 5. Decision making process

The Advisory for Diverse Education makes recommendations to the board of Education on the basis of consensus.