

SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 71 (COMOX VALLEY)

POLICY MANUAL

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School Planning Councils

The Board of School Trustees of School District No. 71 (Comox Valley) supports the establishment of school planning councils for the purposes set out in the *School Act*, and as support for school and district planning focussed on teaching and learning.

Where a school is able to supply volunteer representatives as contemplated by the *Act*, the school board will establish a school planning council for that school. Where no teacher or parent representatives are put forward within a reasonable period, the school board shall consider whether or not it will make appointments to a school planning council for that school.

The school board shall consult with the school planning council as required by the *School Act*. Consultation here is defined as the process where the school board seeks advice from the school planning councils, the board considers the advice and accepts, modifies or rejects the advice given the best information available.

The school board recognizes its responsibility to ensure that school planning councils function effectively and in accordance with ethical standards and the school act to represent the school community in the process of school and district planning.