

Drea Owen, program manager Community Connections and Healthy Living, presented the after-school programs established in the school district through a partnership with United Way. To address the needs identified in the Middle Years Development Instrument (MDI), SD42 introduced Active Kids Hour, which currently runs at four elementary schools, parent evening workshops, and after-school programs, which are currently offered at four schools in east Maple Ridge. The school district hopes to expand this program into two additional schools in January 2017.

A community member shared her reservations about putting Narcan Kits in schools, noting the responsibility of medically addressing a potential overdose should remain with first responders and paramedics.

Director of Learning Services, Harry Dhillon, spoke about the Learning Improvement Fund (LIF) report, noting that the school district continues to have a strong collaborative process with the two unions and staff in the annual fund allocation process. The full report is included online in the October 19, 2016 agenda package.

Superintendent Russell noted that the elementary summer learning program had grown to 423 K-6 students, and

The board authorized the board chair to send a letter to the Minister of Health, Minister of Education and Minister of Children and Family Development requesting that they jointly create provincial standards for addressing drug use and possible incidents of overdose in BC schools including protocols for training and administering of Naloxone (Narcan) in all midd