## **AWARDS, RECOGNITION AND HOSTING**

## **Background**

Appropriate provision of awards, recognition functions, and hosting of guests can make an important contribution to productive morale and relationships within the District and community.

Included among such activities are: retirement receptions; recognition or appreciation dinners for employees or volunteers; presentation of long-service pins or certificates; provision of suitable retirement gifts; hosting of a business meeting dinner with other governmental representatives or employee groups.

## **Procedures**

- 1. Without limiting the general application of this administrative procedure, the following awards, recognition, or hosting activities are expressly approved by the Board:
  - 1.1 Annual joint receptions for retiring and twenty-five (25)-year employees, open to all staff and honoured guests' families.
  - 1.2 Provision of twenty-five (25)-year pins and certificates to employees.
  - 1.3 Presentation of a suitable gift to retirees. Approximate costs, unless altered by agreement of trustees, will be calculated as follows:
    - 1.3.1 0.025% X maximum teachers' salary X years of service.
    - 1.3.2 Minimum calculation is ten (10) years.
  - 1.4 Hosting of an occasional business meeting dinner for the executive of an employee or parent group.
- 2. Award, recognition, or hosting events involving District expenditures must have the prior approval of the Superintendent or the Board.
- 3. Provision of alcoholic beverages at any District function shall be done in moderation as appropriate to a public and educational body. In particular, provision may be made for a moderate amount of wine at a hosted dinner or reception, but an "open bar" is considered inappropriate.
- 4. All such events shall normally be held in a Delta location.

Reference: Sections 20, 22, 23, 65, 85 School Act