



**Trustees:**

Mike Murray (Chair), Susan Carr, Ken Clarkson, Kathy Marshall, Sarah Nelson, Eleanor Palis (Vice-Chair), Dave Rempel

**Executive:**

Jan Unwin (Superintendent), Laurie Meston (Deputy Superintendent), Flavia Coughlan (Secretary Treasurer)

**Presentation: Royal Canadian Sea Cadets**

Representatives from the Maple Ridge chapter of the Royal Canadian Sea Cadets came to present to the Board about the effects of the school district's recent facilities rental rate increase on their program. Executive Officer Rory Thompson explained that the Cadets had been renting three spaces from the district for years, paying a combined total of \$7.00 per hour for all three rooms. Under the new rental rates, Mr. Thompson explained, the Cadets face a combined total of \$54.45 per hour for these three spaces, and have consequently had to find accommodations in the basement of the local Legion. Chair Murray conceded that the district must be diligent in reviewing its rental rates on a more regular basis so that any future adjustments in rental fees come in smaller increments.

Visit <http://www.sd42.ca/facilities-rentals> for more information about SD42 facilities and rental rates.

**Flex42 District Program**

The Board approved the implementation of the Flex42 District Program, which seeks to address the need for a school-based or Distributed Learning program that supports flexible student scheduling. The program, available to grade 8 and 9 students, will be located in a secondary school and will consist of a combination of scheduled in-school time and off-site learning under parent supervision. Its key elements are flexibility and choice, personalized learning, and technology empowerment.

**Board Policy Development Committee**

The Board Policy Development Committee brought forward several new policies that had completed the public consultation process. Below is a list of the new approved policies and accompanying procedures, as well as a list of the rescinded policies they replaced.

**Rescinded**

Board Procedural Bylaw No. 2-2008

**Approved**

Policy 2920: Trustees' Remuneration Policy  
Procedure 2920.1: Trustees' Remuneration

**Rescinded**

Electronic Devices  
Quickmail/Data Systems - Privacy and Access  
Internet and/or District Wide Area Network Use by Employees of the Board  
Physical Security of Computing Devices  
Student Use of Internet/Computer Facilities  
School District 42 (Maple Ridge – Pitt Meadows) Wide Area Network/Internet Acceptable Use Agreement  
Wide Area Network/Internet Acceptable Use Agreement  
Student Use of Cellular Phones or Paging Devices in School

**Approved**

Policy 5780: Information Technology and Communication Systems, Appropriate Use Policy  
Procedure 5780.1: Social Media Guidelines

**Rescinded**

Policy 7210: Personal/Sexual Harassment  
Procedure 7210.1: Personal/Sexual Harassment

**Approved**

Policy 7210: Workplace Discrimination or Bullying and Harassment  
Procedure 7210.1: Reporting Procedure – Workplace Discrimination or Bullying and Harassment  
Procedure 7210.2: Investigation Procedure – Workplace Discrimination or Bullying and Harassment

**Good News**

In the good news portion of the evening, trustees noted the following items: PMSS hosted an Awards dinner last week; Sean Nosek of THSS was named one of Canada's Outstanding Principals; MRSS Grad Transitions interviews are coming up next week.

Before the close of the meeting, trustees individually offered their heartfelt thanks to outgoing superintendent Jan Unwin for her many years of service. Superintendent Unwin

had spent much of her career with the Maple Ridge – Pitt Meadows School District before being appointed to the superintendent role in 2009. Under her leadership, the school district attracted both national and international recognition for innovative initiatives such as the Environmental School, Cyber School, and a new reporting model for elementary. Unwin's new role is as the Superintendent of Graduation and Student Transition with the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Advanced Education.

**The next Board of Education meeting will be at 6 pm on February 12, 2014 in the District Education Office.**