

**PUBLIC MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 42 (MAPLE RIDGE-PITT MEADOWS)**

**Monday, November 10, 2008 (6:00 PM)**

**ROLL CALL**

UPON THE ROLL BEING CALLED, THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT:

<b>BOARD MEMBERS:</b>	Chair	Cheryl Ashlie
	Vice Chair	Kathie Ward
	Trustees:	Dr. Dave Rempel
		Kathy Marshall
		Stepan Vdovine

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:**

Superintendent	John L. Simpson
Deputy Superintendent	Jan Unwin
Secretary Treasurer	Don Woytowich
Communications Officer	Seamus Nesling
Executive Assistant	Christine Jones

**A – OPENING PROCEDURES**

**1. Call to Order**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**2. Ordering of Agenda**

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the agenda be ordered as circulated and amended with the following addition:

I – Policy Committee – Official Ceremonies.

**ORIGINAL – Motion P171-08/09**

Member (Kathie Ward) Moved, Member (Dr. Dave Rempel) seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: 5 Nay: 0. The motion **CARRIED 5-0.**

The Board Chair asked whether anyone present had questions regarding items on the agenda. There were no questions.

### **3. Correspondence**

There was no correspondence.

## **B – CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

### **1. October 29, 2008 Public Minutes**

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the Board approve the October 29, 2008 Public Minutes as circulated and amended as follows:

Page 2 – Presentations, second to last sentence add the word “minimum” \$100 donation.  
Page 4 – Last sentence following Motion P157-08/09 add the word “Draft” before the word survey.

### **ORIGINAL – Motion P172-08/09**

Member (Dr. Dave Rempel) Moved, Member (Kathy Marshall) seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion. Upon a roll call being taken, the vote was” AYE: 5 Nay: 0. The motion **CARRIED 5-0.**

## **C – PRESENTATIONS**

## **D – DELEGATIONS**

## **E – CHAIR REPORT**

## **F – DEFERRED ITEMS**

## **G – TRUSTEE MOTIONS**

## **H – CEO DECISION ITEMS – SUPERINTENDENT**

## **H – CEO DECISION ITEMS – DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT**

## **H – CEO DECISION ITEMS – SECRETARY TREASURER**

### **1. Finance – Budget Process Bylaw**

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the Board grant second and final reading to the Finance – Budget Process Bylaw, as circulated.

It was noted that the sentence following 3.0 on the first page should read as follows: “The BC Reporting Principles are to be incorporated in annual and financial reports”.

**ORIGINAL - Motion P173-08/09**

Member (Kathie Ward) Moved, Member (Dr. Dave Rempel) seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion. Upon a roll call being taken, the vote was” AYE: 5 Nay: 0. The motion **CARRIED 5-0.**

**2. Trustee Remuneration Committee**

**RECOMMENDATION:** That the Board receive the Trustee Remuneration Committee Report, for information.

The Secretary Treasurer advised that a meeting of the committee of community members is scheduled for next week and a report will be brought forward to the November 25, 2008 meeting.

**ORIGINAL – Motion P174-08/09**

Member (Dr. Dave Rempel) Moved, Member (Kathie Ward) seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion. Upon a roll call being taken, the vote was” AYE: 5 Nay: 0. The motion **CARRIED 5-0.**

**H – CEO INFORMATION ITEMS – SUPERINTENDENT**

**1. Good News**

**RECOMMENATION:** That the Board receive Good News items from Trustees and Senior Staff, for information:

- the respect shown by students at the Remembrance Day Ceremonies at schools today;
- The introduction of the Rotary Four-Way Test Program – the program involves Rotarians advising students at two elementary schools on how to make decisions.

**ORIGINAL – Motion P175-08/09**

Member (Dr. Dave Rempel) Moved, Member (Kathie Ward) seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion. Upon a roll call being taken, the vote was” Aye: 5 Nay: 0. The motion **CARRIED 5-0.**

**H – CEO INFORMATION ITEMS – DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT**

**H – CEO INFORMATION ITEMS – SECRETARY TREASURER**

**I – COMMITTEE BUSINESS – COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

## **I – COMMITTEE BUSINESS – COMMITTEE & ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- 1. Education Committee**
- 2. Human Resources Committee**
- 3. Finance Committee**
- 4. Policy Advisory Committee**
  
- 5. Electronic Devices Policy – Update**

**RECOMMENATION:** That the Board receive an updated version of the Electronic Devices Policy for review.

Trustee Kathie Ward advised that the Policy Committee felt that the old policy required some updating to cover all forms of electronic device used in schools.

Trustee Vdovine said that the policy is vague and does not provide much direction to teachers as the uses of electronic devices was one of their concerns.

The Secretary Treasurer advised that the Procedure will be more specific and it will be brought forward for Board review when complete.

Chair Ashlie said that the Policy as it is now, is too broad, and does not specifically address the use of cell phones in and out of schools.

The Policy will be further reviewed by the Policy Advisory Committee, and brought forward to the November 25, 2008 meeting.

### **ORIGINAL – Motion P176-08/09**

Member (Dr. Dave Rempel) Moved, Member (Kathie Ward) seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion. Upon a roll call being taken, the vote was” AYE: 5 Nay: 0. The motion **CARRIED 5-0.**

- 6. Field Trip Policy Forms**

**RECOMMENATION:** That the Board receive the Field Trip Forms which form a part of the Field Trip Policy.

Trustee Ward advised that the forms had been updated to conform to new legislation on booster seat requirements.

The Board Chair noted that the forms do not contain any statement to the effect that the District will take all due care and responsibility for the students on field trips. The Secretary Treasurer said that he would check the actual policy on this matter and bring it forward to the Board for information.

**ORIGINAL – Motion P177-08/09**

Member (Dr. Dave Rempel) Moved, Member (Kathie Ward) seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion. Upon a roll call being taken, the vote was” AYE: 5 Nay: 0. The motion **CARRIED 5-0.**

**7. Official Ceremonies**

**RECOMMENATION:** That the Board receive the Official Ceremonies Policy, for information.

The Policy was discussed and it was agreed that it required further review prior to first reading on November 25, 2008.

**ORIGINAL – Motion P178-08/09**

Member (Kathie Ward) Moved, Member (Dr. Dave Rempel) seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion. Upon a roll call being taken, the vote was” AYE: 5 Nay: 0. The motion **CARRIED 5-0.**

**8. Policies and Procedures Update Report**

**RECOMMENATION:** That the Board receive the Policies and Procedures Update Report, for information.

Trustee Ward presented an update report on the status of policies and procedures, some of which require Board direction. A list of all policies requiring Board direction will be brought forward to the November 25, 2008 meeting.

**ORIGINAL – Motion P179-08/09**

Member (Kathie Ward) Moved, Member (Dr. Dave Rempel) seconded to approve the ORIGINAL motion. Upon a roll call being taken, the vote was” AYE: 5 Nay: 0. The motion **CARRIED 5-0.**

- 9. French immersion Advisory**
- 10. Communications Advisory**
- 11. Inclusive Education Committee**
- 12. Anti-Vandalism Committee**

Kathie Ward, Chair of the Anti-Vandalism Committee reported that that there was less vandalism during Halloween this year, than previous years, thanks to the vigilance of District staff, students, parents and community partners.

## **J – QUESTION PERIOD**

### **1. Trustee Questions**

### **2. Public Questions**

Mr. Todd Hill asked why the agenda had not been posted on the web for the public this week. Mr. Hill was advised that it may have been an oversight.

### **3. DPAC Questions**

### **4. Employee Group Questions**

## **K – TRUSTEE REPORTS**

- 1. External Representative Reports**
- 2. Joint Leisure Services**
- 3. Social Planning Advisory**
- 4. Municipal Advisory & Accessibility**
- 5. Ridge Meadows Community Arts Council**
- 6. BCSTA Provincial Council**
- 7. Tzu Chi Foundation**
- 8. Youth Society Committee**
- 9. Ridge Meadows Education Foundation**
- 10. District Parent Advisory Council**
- 11. Board Liaison Representative Reports**
- 12. Other Trustee Reports**
- 13. Youth Society Committee**

## **L – OTHER BUSINESS**

## **M – ADJOURNMENT**

**The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.**

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**Chair**

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**Secretary Treasurer**