
IN ATTENDANCE:

BOARD MEMBERS:

Chairperson – Mike Murray
Trustee – Susan Carr
Trustee – Korleen Carreras
Trustee – Eleanor Palis
Trustee – Dave Rempel

STAFF:

Superintendent – Sylvia Russell
Secretary Treasurer – Flavia Coughlan
Senior Manager, Communications – Irena Pochop
Executive Coordinator – Karen Yoxall

ABSENT:

Trustee – Ken Clarkson

A. OPENING PROCEDURES

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. The Chairperson welcomed and thanked everyone for attending. The Chairperson acknowledged that this meeting is taking place on the traditional territory of Katzie First Nation and Kwantlen First Nation.

2. Correspondence

Moved/Seconded

- BC Public School Employers' Association
- G. Swan, President, BC School Trustees Association
- G. Hansman, President, BC Teachers' Federation
- R. Bawa, A/Deputy Minister, Ministry of Education
- E. Flynn, President, Vancouver Island School Trustees' Association
- L. Trenaman, Chairperson, School District No. 8 (Kootenay Lake)
- Dr. E. Yung, Chairperson, School District No. 38 (Richmond)
- E. Loring-Kuhanga, Chairperson, School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria)

THAT the Board receive the correspondence for information.

CARRIED

3. Approval of Agenda

Moved/Seconded

The Chairperson requested that the following correspondence be moved from Correspondence to Chairperson, Decision Items:

- G. Hansman, President, BC Teachers' Federation
- E. Flynn, President, Vancouver Island School Trustees' Association
- Dr. E. Yung, Chairperson, School District No. 38 (Richmond)
- E. Loring-Kuhanga, Chairperson, School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria)

THAT the Agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

4. Invitation for Public Input to matters on the Agenda

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. March 7, 2018

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Minutes of the March 7, 2018 Public Board meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

C. PRESENTATIONS

1. Proposed Preliminary Budget 2018/19

Moved/Seconded

The Secretary Treasurer presented the Proposed Preliminary Budget 2018/19. Budget Background Information, 2018/19 Ministry of Education Funding, 2018/19 Base Operating Budget, Three Year Operating Projections, Proposed Budget changes and Partner Group and Public Consultation Schedule were explained.

The Secretary Treasurer asked the Trustees if they had any questions.

THAT the Board receive the Proposed Preliminary Budget 2018/19, for information.

CARRIED

D. DELEGATIONS

E. DEFERRED ITEMS

F. DECISION ITEMS

1. Chairperson

a) Employer Health Tax

Moved/Seconded

The Chairperson reported that the following correspondence had been submitted to the Ministry of Education regarding the new Employer Health Tax:

- G. Hansman, President, BC Teachers' Federation
- E. Flynn, President, Vancouver Island School Trustees' Association
- Dr. E. Yung, Chairperson, School District No. 38 (Richmond)
- E. Loring-Kuhanga, Chairperson, School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria)

THAT the Board authorize the Board Chairperson to submit a letter to the Minister of Education and the Minister of Finance requesting that the difference between MSP and the new Employer Health Tax be covered by the provincial government in the form of additional funding.

CARRIED

2. Superintendent of Schools
3. Secretary Treasurer

a) Playground Equipment Program – Call for Projects for 2018/19

Moved/Seconded

The Secretary Treasurer reported that on March 9, 2018 the Ministry of Education introduced a new annual capital program, the Playground Equipment Program. School districts have been asked to submit their top three playground replacement priorities.

In order to be eligible for a playground equipment project the school must have a majority of elementary school grades. Priority will be given to schools where no playground currently exists and where students do not have easy access to nearby playground equipment either at school or a community park.

Staff have identified the following playgrounds that meet this criteria:

- Glenwood Elementary
- South Albion Elementary
- Highland Park Elementary

THAT the Board approve the Playground Equipment Program – Call for Projects for 2018/19 for submission to the Ministry of Education.

CARRIED

b) 2018/19 Capital Plan Bylaw

The Secretary Treasurer reported that in order to access funding for the projects included in the 2018/19 Capital Plan and in accordance with the revised Ministry of Education procedures regarding capital bylaws, the Board must adopt a single Capital Bylaw.

Moved/Seconded

(1) THAT the Capital Bylaw No. 18/19-CP-SD42-01 – be given three (3) readings at this meeting.
(vote must be unanimous)

CARRIED

Moved/Seconded

(2) THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 42 (Maple Ridge – Pitt Meadows) Capital Bylaw No. 18/19-CP-SD42-01 be:

Read a first time on the 11th day of April, 2018;

Read a second time on the 11th day of April, 2018;

Read a third time, passed and adopted on the 11th day of April, 2018.

CARRIED

4. Board Committees

- a) Budget
- b) Finance
- c) Facilities Planning
- d) Board Policy Development
- e) Education

- f) Aboriginal Education
- g) Roundtable with Partners

G. INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Chairperson
2. Superintendent of Schools

- a) Superintendents Update

Moved/Seconded

The Superintendent reported on school and district activities.

THAT the Board receive the Superintendent's Verbal Update, for information.

CARRIED

3. Secretary Treasurer
4. Board Committees & Advisory Committee Reports
 - a) Budget
 - b) Finance
 - c) Facilities Planning
 - d) Board Policy Development
 - e) Education
 - f) Inclusive Education
 - g) Aboriginal Education
 - h) Round Table with Partner Groups

H. TRUSTEE MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS

I. TRUSTEE REPORTS

BC School Trustees Association: Motions to Annual General Meeting

Trustees discussed the motions for the upcoming Annual General Meeting.

Social Planning Advisory

Trustee Carr reported that Community Services presented on the Age Implementation Strategy, there was an update on the Youth Homeless Strategy and that resolutions regarding attracting physicians to the community were discussed.

City of Maple Ridge Active Transportation Advisory

Trustee Carr reported that Translink presented on the Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows Area Transport Plan.

Good News Items

Trustees reported on their attendance at "Humans of Maple Ridge: A Celebration and Photo Exhibit", Trustee Rempel reported on the RMEF cheque presentations and the Board Chairperson reported on his attendance at the swearing in ceremony of the Katzie First Nation council.

L. QUESTION PERIOD

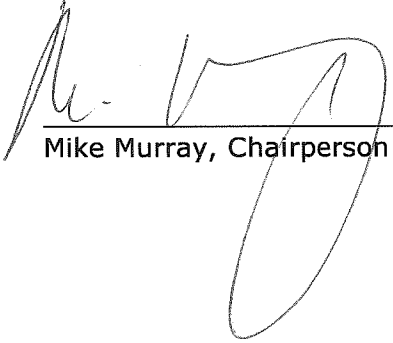
M. OTHER BUSINESS

N. ADJOURNMENT


Moved/Seconded

THAT the Board adjourn the meeting.
CARRIED

The Public Board meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.



Mike Murray, Chairperson



Flavia Coughlan, Secretary Treasurer