

PUBLIC MINUTES OF THE **BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING** Wednesday, April 12, 2017 (4:00 PM) Room 2031/34, Thomas Haney Secondary School

IN ATTENDANCE:

BOARD MEMBERS:

STAFF:

Chairperson – Mike Murray

Superintendent - Sylvia Russell

Vice Chairperson – Susan Carr Deputy Superintendent – Laurie Meston

Secretary Treasurer - Flavia Coughlan

Trustee - Ken Clarkson Trustee - Eleanor Palis

Manager of Communications & Community Relations - Irena Pochop

Trustee - Dave Rempel

Executive Assistant - Karen Yoxall

ABSENT:

Trustee – Lisa Beare

Trustee - Korleen Carreras

A. OPENING PROCEDURES

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 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. The Chairperson requested a moment of silence in honour of all workers killed and/or injured on the job.

2. Correspondence

Moved/Seconded

- F. Lento, Chairperson, School District No. 5 (Southeast Kootenay)
- T. Ferworn, Chairperson, School District No. 20 (Kootenay-Columbia)
- M. Baxter, Chairperson, School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan)
- M. Murray, Chairperson, School District No. 42 (Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows)
- E. Flynn, Chairperson, School District No. 69 (Qualicum)

Trustee Carr requested that correspondence from School District No. 5 (Southeast Kootenay) re: Request for Additional Provincial Funding for Child and Youth Mental Health Services be moved to Chairperson, Decision Items.

THAT the Board receive the correspondence for information.

CARRIED

3. Approval of Agenda

Moved/Seconded

Amendment:

Move the correspondence from F. Lento, Chairperson, School District No. 5 (Southeast Kootenay) re: Request for Additional Provincial Funding for Child and Youth Mental Health Services from Correspondence to Chairperson, Decision Items.

THAT the Agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

4. Invitation for Public Input to matters on the Agenda

Input was received regarding the Proposed Preliminary Budget 2017/18.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. March 8, 2017

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Minutes of the March 8, 2017 Public Board meeting be approved as circulated.

<u>CARRIED</u>

C. PRESENTATIONS

1. Proposed Preliminary Budget 2017/18

Moved/Seconded

The Secretary Treasurer presented the Proposed Preliminary Budget 2017/18. Budget Background Information, 2017/18 Ministry of Education Funding, 2017/18 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. Clarification was requested on the impact of the implementation of the MRTA Restored Collective Agreement Language on funding and facility space utilization.

THAT the Board receive the Proposed Preliminary Budget 2017/18 for information.

CARRIED

- D. DELEGATIONS
- E. DEFERRED ITEMS
- F. DECISION ITEMS
 - 1. Chairperson
 - (a) <u>Correspondence from F. Lento, Chairperson, School District No. 5 (Southeast Kootenay)</u> re: Request for Additional Provincial Funding for Child and Youth Mental Health Services.

Moved/Seconded

Discussion ensued on correspondence received from F. Lento, Chairperson, School District No. 5 (Southeast Kootenay) re: Request for Additional Provincial Funding for Child and Youth Mental Health Services.

THAT the Board prepares and sends a letter similar to School District No. 5 (Southeast Kootenay).

CARRIED

- 2. Superintendent of Schools
 - a) Non-Resident Fees 2018/19

Moved/Seconded

The Superintendent reported that in order to remain competitive with other districts a \$500 increase in tuition fees and a \$100 increase in homestay registration or placement fees for non-resident students is being proposed for 2018/19.

THAT the Board approve the following fees for the international education program for 2018/19:

	Application Fee	Tuition Fee Annual	Homestay Registration or Placement Fee	Homestay Fee	Medical Insurance
Maple Ridge- Pitt Meadows	\$200	\$13,000	\$200	\$8,000	\$900

CARRIED

- 3. Secretary Treasurer
 - a) 2017/18 Capital Plan Bylaw

The Secretary Treasurer reported that in order to access funding for the projects included in the 2017/18 Capital Plan and in accordance with the revised Ministry of Education procedures regarding capital bylaw, the Board must adopt a single Capital Bylaw.

Clarification was requested on the priority of the Pitt Meadows Secondary School major renovation project.

Moved/Seconded

(1) THAT the Capital Bylaw No. 17/18-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. 17/18-CP-SD42-01 be:

Read a first time on the 12th day of April, 2017; Read a second time on the 12th day of April, 2017; Read a third time, passed and adopted on the 12th day of April, 2017.

CARRIED

- 4. Board Committees
 - a) Budget
 - b) Finance
 - c) Board Policy Development

i. Policy 3901: Maintenance of Order in Schools

Moved/Seconded

The Secretary Treasurer reported that this policy is required by the Ministry of Education.

No feedback was received.

THAT the Board approve Policy 3901: Maintenance of Order in Schools.

And Further;

THAT the Board receive for information Procedure 3901.1: Maintenance of Order in Schools.

CARRIED

ii. Policy 9325: Education Programs for Non-Residents

Moved/Seconded

The Secretary Treasurer reported that this policy has been updated.

No feedback was received.

Clarification was requested on the requirement for homestay families to undergo criminal record checks.

THAT the Board approve Policy 9325: Education Programs for Non-Residents.

And Further;

THAT the Board receive for information Procedure 9325.1: Education Programs for Non-Residents and Procedure 9325.2: Education Programs for Non-Residents - Homestay Families.

And Further;

THAT the Board rescind Policy JECBB: International Education Programs.

CARRIED

iii. Policy 9801: Fees - Hardship

Moved/Seconded

The Secretary Treasurer reported that this policy has been updated to include guidelines for waiving fees over \$200 to support families with combined gross household income at or below the low income thresholds established by Statistics Canada.

No feedback was received.

THAT the Board approve Policy 9801: Fees – Hardship.

And Further;

THAT the Board receive for information Procedure 9801.1: Fees - Hardship - Low Income Waiver.

And Further;

THAT the Board rescind Policy Fees - Hardship.

CARRIED

- d) Education Committee
- e) Aboriginal Education

G. INFORMATION ITEMS

- 1. Chairperson
- 2. Superintendent of Schools
 - a) <u>Superintendent's Update</u>

Moved/Seconded

The Superintendent reported on school activities, the secondary curriculum network, the inquiry fair, the resource fair and the Lieutenant Governor's visit.

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

CARRIED

- 3. Secretary Treasurer
- 4. Board Committees & Advisory & Advisory Committee Reports
 - a) Finance
 - b) Budget
 - c) Board Policy Development
 - d) Education
 - e) Aboriginal Education
 - f) Inclusive Education

Trustee Clarkson reported that the purpose of the committee, whether it should continue and how to ensure that the Board is still made aware of inclusive education presentations should the committee disband were discussed at the last meeting.

- g) French Immersion Advisory
- h) District Student Advisory
- i) Round Table with Partner Groups
- j) Facilities Planning

The Secretary Treasurer reported on the planning for the South Albion school.

H. TRUSTEE MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS

I. TRUSTEE REPORTS

1. BC School Trustees Association Provincial Council

a) 2017 Annual General Meeting Motions

Discussion ensued on the motions for the upcoming 2017 Annual General Meeting.

Municipal Advisory & Accessibility

The Chairperson reported that financial accessibility to community services was discussed.

Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows Arts Council

Trustee Rempel reported on committee reports and a donation that enables students to attend art productions.

Good News Items

Trustees thanked the hard work of all staff in the district for the many extra-curricular events.

L. QUESTION PERIOD

A question was posed regarding the incorporation of a community kitchen in the new South Albion school.

M. OTHER BUSINESS

N. ADJOURNMENT

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Board adjourn the meeting.

CARRIED

The Public Board meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Mike Murray, Chairperson

Flavia Coughlan, Secretary Treasurer