

PUBLIC MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING Wednesday, April 12, 2023 (6:00 PM) Board Room, DEO

IN ATTENDANCE:

BOARD MEMBERS:

Chairperson – Elaine Yamamoto Vice-Chairperson – Kim Dumore

Trustee - Hudson Campbell

Trustee - Mike Murray

Trustee - Gabe Liosis

Trustee - Pascale Shaw

Trustee - Kathleen Sullivan

STAFF:

Superintendent – Harry Dhillon

Secretary Treasurer - Flavia Coughlan

Deputy Superintendent - Cheryl Schwarz

Assistant Secretary Treasurer – Richard Rennie

Senior Manager, Communications – Irena Pochop

Executive Coordinator – Karen Yoxall

A. OPENING PROCEDURES

1. Territory Acknowledgement

The Chairperson acknowledged that this meeting is taking place on the shared traditional and unceded territories of Katzie First Nation and Kwantlen First Nation. The Chairperson welcomed and recognized all First Nations, Métis, and Inuit students and families in our schools and community. The Chairperson welcomed and recognized the many different cultures that are represented in our schools and community.

2. Call to Order

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

The Chairperson welcomed and thanked everyone for attending.

- 3. Correspondence
- 4. Approval of Agenda

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

5. Invitation for Public Input to matters on the Agenda

The Chairperson advised that members of the public were able to provide input on decision items on the Agenda by emailing board@sd42.ca by no later than 5:30 pm on April 12, 2023.

No public input was received.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Minutes of the March 1, 2023, Public Board Meeting be approved as circulated. **CARRIED**

C. PRESENTATIONS

Trustee Campbell declared a pecuniary conflict of interest regarding the Proposed Preliminary Budget 2023/24 until the Board receive legal advice on this matter.

1. Proposed Preliminary Budget 2023/24

Moved/Seconded

The Superintendent and the Secretary Treasurer presented the Proposed Preliminary Budget 2023/24. Budget background information, 2023/24 Ministry of Education and Child Care funding, 2023/24 base operating budget, four-year operating projections, proposed budget changes, and partner group and public consultation schedule were explained.

Discussion ensued on the Proposed Preliminary Budget 2023/24.

THAT the Board receive the Proposed Preliminary Budget 2023/24 for information. **CARRIED**

- **D. DELEGATIONS**
- **E. DEFERRED ITEMS**
- F. DECISION ITEMS
 - 1. Chairperson
 - 2. Superintendent of Schools
 - a) 2023/24, 2024/25 and 2025/26 District School Calendars

Moved/Seconded

The Superintendent reported that in order to provide families and the school district more opportunity to plan ahead, calendars for the 2023/24, 2024/25 and 2025/26 school years are being proposed. The proposed calendars meet the required minutes of instruction, have been shared with the public and representatives of the employee groups and include consideration of the collective agreement provisions.

THAT the Board approve the attached District School Calendar, Kanaka Creek School Calendar, and the District Distributed Learning Calendar for the 2023/24, 2024/25 and 2025/26 school years.

CARRIED

b) <u>Strategic Plan Update</u>

Moved/Seconded

The Superintendent reported that the school district's strategic planning process is based on a rolling four-year planning cycle that includes an annual review and update process. A review of current school growth plans and departmental operational plans indicate that "Equity" and related themes have emerged as priorities for the school district.

The strategic directions, strategic priorities and goals have been updated to include Equity. The updated Strategic Plan is for 2022/23 to 2026/27.

THAT the Board approve the Updated Strategic Plan.

CARRIED

- 3. Secretary Treasurer
 - a) 2023/24 Capital Plan Update

The Secretary Treasurer reported that in order to access funding for the projects included in the 2023/24 Major and Minor Capital Plans and in accordance with the Ministry of Education and Child Care procedures regarding capital bylaws, the Board must adopt a single Capital Bylaw.

Moved/Seconded

(1) THAT the Capital Bylaw No. 2023/24-CPSD42-01 – be given three (3) readings at this meeting. (vote must be unanimous)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Moved/Seconded

(2) THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 42 (Maple Ridge – Pitt Meadows) Capital Bylaw No. 2023/24-CPSD42-01 be:
Read a first time on the 12th day of April, 2023;
Read a second time on the 12th day of April, 2023;
Read a third time, passed and adopted on the 12th day of April, 2023.

CARRIED

b) 2023/24 Annual Facility Grant Spending Plan

Moved/Seconded

The Secretary Treasurer reported that school districts must provide the Ministry of Education and Child Care with a 2023/24 Annual Facility Grant Spending Plan that includes a list of all AFG projects and expenditures to be undertaken from April 1, 2023, to March 31, 2024.

THAT the Board approve the 2023/24 Annual Facility Grant Spending Plan and authorize the Secretary Treasurer to submit the 2023/24 AFG Spending Plan to the Ministry of Education and Child Care.

CARRIED

4. Board Committees and Advisory Committee Reports

- a) Budget
- b) Finance
- c) Facilities Planning
- d) Board Policy Development
 - i. Policy Review Update

Moved/Seconded

The Secretary Treasurer reported on the housekeeping changes incorporated in the policies reviewed by the Board Policy Development Committee and presented to the Board for approval.

THAT the Board approve:

- Policy 2320: Board Committees and Trustee Representation
- Policy 2410: Board Correspondence
- Policy 2500: Board Policy Development
- Policy 2900: Trustee Professional Development and Attendance at Conferences
- Policy 2925: Trustees Provision of Resources

CARRIED

- e) Education
- f) Aboriginal Education

G. INFORMATION ITEMS

- 1. Chairperson
- 2. Superintendent of Schools
 - a) Superintendent's Update

Moved/Seconded

The Superintendent provided an update on Summer Learning 2023.

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

CARRIED

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

H. TRUSTEE MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS

I. TRUSTEE REPORTS

District Parent Advisory Council

Trustees reported that a presentation on the current recycling program was received.

Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows Arts Council

Trustee Shaw reported that the need for more volunteers was discussed.

Social Policy Advisory

Trustee Dumore spoke to the UPlan's Youth Tank initiative.

Ridge Meadows Overdose Community Action Team

Trustee Dumore spoke to the presentation by the Maple Ridge Overdose Outreach Team.

J. QUESTION PERIOD

K. OTHER BUSINESS

L. ADJOURNMENT

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Board adjourn the meeting.

CARRIED

The Public Board meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Elaine Yamamoto, Chairperson

Flavia Cough/an, Secretary Treasurer