



**PUBLIC MINUTES OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Wednesday, April 30 (6:00 PM)
DEO Board Room**

IN ATTENDANCE:

BOARD MEMBERS:

Board Chairperson – Mike Murray
Vice-Chairperson – Eleanor Palis
Trustee – Susan Carr
Trustee - Ken Clarkson
Trustee – Kathy Marshall
Trustee – Sarah Nelson
Trustee – Dave Rempel

STAFF:

Acting Superintendent – Laurie Meston
Secretary Treasurer – Flavia Coughlan
Acting Assistant Superintendent – Shannon Derinzy
Acting Assistant Superintendent – David Vandergugten
Mgr. of Communication/Community Relations – Irena Pochop
Executive Assistant – Karen Yoxall

A. OPENING PROCEDURES

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.
The Chair welcomed and thanked everyone for attending.

2. Correspondence

Moved: Trustee Rempel
Seconded: Trustee Marshall

THAT the Board receive all correspondence for information.

CARRIED

3. Ordering of Agenda

Moved: Trustee Rempel
Seconded: Trustee Nelson

THAT the Agenda be ordered as circulated

CARRIED

B. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. April 9, 2014 Public Board Meeting Minutes

Moved: Trustee Palis
Seconded: Trustee Rempel

THAT the Minutes of the April 9, 2014 Public Board Meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

C. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

D. CHAIR REPORT

E. DEFERRED ITEMS

F. TRUSTEE MOTIONS

G. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

1. Decision Items

a) Superintendent of Schools

i. Late French Immersion Program

Moved: Trustee Rempel

Seconded: Trustee Palis

The Acting Superintendent gave a brief overview on the history of the Late French Immersion Program in School District No. 42 and explained the declining enrolment in this program of choice.

THAT given the low number of students registered for the Late French Immersion program at Golden Ears Elementary, that the school district not offer a grade 6 Late French Immersion program, for the 2014-15 school year.

and Further:

THAT the grade 7 Late French Immersion Program continues to be offered at Golden Ears Elementary for September 2014.

and Further:

THAT the school district offers the opportunity for interested students to register for a Grade 6 Late French Immersion Program for September 2015 at Golden Ears Elementary.

and Further:

THAT should there be an insufficient number of students (less than 26) to offer a grade 6 Late French Immersion Program for September 2015, that the school district terminate the Late French Immersion program in School District 42.

CARRIED

b) Deputy Superintendent

c) Secretary Treasurer

i. Preliminary Operating Budget 2014/15

Moved: Trustee Rempel

Seconded: Trustee Marshall

The Board Chair presented his introductory remarks.

The Secretary Treasurer presented a power point on the 2014/15 Preliminary Operating Budget including the Budget Process, Budget Feedback Themes, Preliminary Budget Proposals, One Time Budget Proposals, Ongoing Budget Proposals, Effect of Proposals on Staffing, Effect of Budget Proposals and Three Year Operating Budget Projections.

Each Trustee spoke to the budget and the difficulties faced due to lack of adequate funding.

CARRIED

ii. Capital Bylaw No. 126758 2014/15 Annual Facility Grant – Capital Portion

Moved: Trustee Palis

Seconded: Trustee Marshall

The Secretary Treasurer reported that in order to access the monies allocated to the Capital Portion of the 2014/15 Annual Facilities Grant, the Board is required to adopt a standard Capital Bylaw.

THAT the Board pass Capital Project Bylaw No. 126758 – 2014/15 Annual Facility Grant – Capital Portion at this meeting with three (3) readings, unanimously.

THAT the Board pass Capital Project Bylaw No. 126758 – 2014/15 Annual Facility Grant – Capital Portion as read a first time.

THAT the Board pass Capital Project Bylaw No. 126758 – 2014/15 Annual Facility Grant – Capital Portion as read a second time.

THAT the Board pass Capital Project Bylaw No. 126758 – 2014/15 Annual Facility Grant – Capital Portion as read a third time.

CARRIED

1. Information Items

- a) Superintendent of Schools
- b) Deputy Superintendent
- c) Secretary Treasurer

H. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

1. Committees of the Whole

- a) Finance
- b) Budget

2. Committee & Advisory Committee Reports

- a) Aboriginal Education
- b) Board Policy Development

- i. Policy 2301: Role of the Board

Moved: Trustee Rempel

Seconded: Trustee Carr

The Secretary Treasurer confirmed that Policy 2301: Role of the Board is based on the School Act and is in accordance with guidance from the BC School Trustees Association on Ministry matters.

CARRIED

- ii. Policy 2302: Board Delegations of Authority

Moved: Trustee Rempel

Seconded: Trustee Carr

The Secretary Treasurer confirmed that Policy 2302: Board Delegation of Authority is based on the School Act and is in accordance with guidance from the BC School Trustees Association on Ministry matters.

CARRIED

- c) District Student Advisory
 - d) Education
 - e) French Immersion Advisory
 - f) Inclusive Education

I. QUESTION PERIOD

Questions were asked on the difference between the proposed and actual budget, how the amount for the user bussing fee was established, why staffing figures were used from 2008/09 in the budget document, the employee groups affected by the cuts in the business division and if the two Career Planning Assistant positions will be CUPE jobs.

J. TRUSTEE REPORTS

BC School Trustees Association

Trustee Clarkson reported that the Provincial Council met on April 27, 2014 where an increased budget was passed. Trustees expressed concern at the budget increase. Trustee Clarkson also clarified that a motion was passed to enable the Trustee Academy to take place at the same time as the Annual General Meeting.

Social Planning Advisory

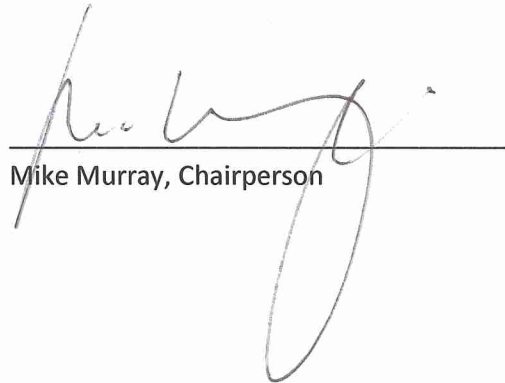
It was reported that the number of youth dependent on centers like the Caring Place have increased. More resources and help is required for youth in need in the community.

K. OTHER BUSINESS

L. ADJOURNMENT

Moved: Trustee Rempel
Seconded: Trustee Nelson

THAT the meeting of the Board be adjourned at 7:57 p.m.
CARRIED



Mike Murray, Chairperson



Flavia Coughlan, Secretary Treasurer