

IN ATTENDANCE:

BOARD MEMBERS:

Chairperson – Mike Murray
Vice Chairperson – Susan Carr
Trustee – Lisa Beare
Trustee – Korleen Carreras
Trustee – Ken Clarkson
Trustee – Dave Rempel
Trustee – Eleanor Palis

STAFF:

Superintendent – Sylvia Russell
Secretary Treasurer – Flavia Coughlan
Deputy Superintendent – Laurie Meston
Executive Assistant – Lena Frend

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

- F. Lento, Chair, School District No. 5 (Southeast Kootenay)
- T. Guenther, Chair, School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin)
- R. Burton, Chair, School District No. 41 (Burnaby)
- M. Murray, Chair, School District No. 42 (Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows)
- J. Shirra, Chair, School District No. 43 (Coquitlam)

THAT the Board receive the correspondence for information.

CARRIED

3. Approval of Agenda

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

4. Invitation for Public Input to matters on the Agenda

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. November 16, 2016

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Minutes of the November 16, 2016 Public Board meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

C. PRESENTATIONS

1. My Portfolio: David Vandergugten, Shawna Loutet and Denise Upton

Moved/Seconded

David Vandergugten, Director of Instruction, and teachers Shawna Loutet, Yennadon Elementary and Denise Upton, Alexander Robinson Elementary, presented information on My Portfolio.

THAT the Board receive the presentation on My Portfolio for information.

CARRIED

D. DELEGATIONS

E. DEFERRED ITEMS

F. DECISION ITEMS

1. Chairperson
2. Superintendent of Schools
 - a) IB Middle Years Programme

Moved/Seconded

Darren Rowell, Principal, Tom Levesque, Vice Principal and Assunta Budd, teacher, Garibaldi Secondary presented on the IB Middle Years Programme.

THAT the Board approve the IB Middle Years Programme at Garibaldi Secondary School candidacy and the trial implementation of the IB Middle Years Programme starting with the incoming grade 8 students in the 2017/2018 school year.

And Further

THAT the Board allocate a total of \$289,000 to the IB Middle Years Programme at Garibaldi Secondary School from the funding earmarked in the 2016/17 budget for the implementation of strategic facilities plan recommendations.

CARRIED

2. Secretary Treasurer
 - a) Youth Trades Capital Equipment Program

Moved/Seconded

The Secretary Treasurer reported on the proposed equipment purchases included in the Youth Trades Capital Equipment Program's three year capital plan.

THAT the Board approve the youth trades capital equipment three year capital plan.

CARRIED

b) Statement of Financial Information (SOFI)

Moved/Seconded

The Secretary Treasurer presented the School District Statement of Financial Information (SOFI) for the year ended June 30, 2016.

The report is prepared annually in accordance with the Financial Information Act; included in the report are a schedule of remuneration and expenses that lists all payments made to trustees and to employees with remuneration exceeding \$75,000, and, a schedule of suppliers of goods and services that received payments in excess of \$25,000.

THAT the Board approve the School District Statement of Financial Information for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016; and that the said statement be submitted to the Ministry of Education.

CARRIED

4. Board Committees

- a) Budget
- b) Finance

i. Financial Statements for the Quarter Ended September 30, 2016

Moved/Seconded

The Chairperson reported that the Financial Statements for the Quarter Ended September 30, 2016 had been reviewed at the FCOTW meeting earlier.

THAT the Board approve the Financial Statements for the quarter ended September 30, 2016.

CARRIED

- c) Board Policy Development
- d) Education Committee

i. Board Authorized Approved Course: Advanced Basketball 10

Moved/Seconded

The Superintendent reported that the Advanced Basketball 10 Board Authorized Approved Course was not an academy as there is no fee attached to the course and that students earn graduation credits.

That the Board approve the Advanced Basketball 10 Board Authorized Approved Course.

CARRIED

ii. Specialty Academies

Moved/Seconded

The Superintendent reported that a number of schools had approached the district to have academies.

That the Board approve the following Specialty Academies:

- Hockey Academy hosted at Samuel Robertson Technical
- Dance Academy hosted at Thomas Haney Secondary
- Basketball Academy hosted at Westview Secondary

And Further

THAT the Board approve the following specialty academy fees for 2017/2018:

- Hockey Academy hosted at Samuel Robertson Technical \$1,820
- Dance Academy hosted at Thomas Haney Secondary \$272
- Basketball Academy hosted at Westview Secondary \$385

CARRIED

- e) Aboriginal Education

G. INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Chairperson
2. Superintendent of Schools
 - a) Sport and Physical Strategy Update

Moved/Seconded

The Superintendent provided an update on the Sport and Physical Strategy report

THAT the Board receive the City of Maple Ridge – Sport and Physical Strategy report for information.

CARRIED

- b) Superintendent's Update

Moved/Seconded

The Superintendent reported that on November 24, 2016 the Ministry of Education communicated to all school districts updates to the Grade 10-12 curriculum implementation schedule along with a summary of other important project-related information.

The Superintendent further reported that on July 1, 2016, the Ministry of Education adopted the Student Progress Report Order. Schedule 2 of this order permits Boards of Education to establish local procedures for reporting on student progress at grades K - 9. The Superintendent explained that the Reporting Procedure for School District No. 42 Grades K-7 was drafted to meet the requirements outlined in Schedule 2 of the Student Progress Report Order.

THAT the Board receive the Superintendent's Report, for information.

CARRIED

3. Secretary Treasurer
4. Board Committees & Advisory & Advisory Committee Reports
 - a) Finance
 - b) Budget
 - c) Board Policy Development

i. Draft Revised Policy 4410 Travel Expenses

Moved/Seconded

The Secretary Treasurer reported that Policy 4410 Travel Expenses had been updated to clearly define business travel and establish a per diem rate for international travel.

THAT the Board receive for information and continuation with the consultation process Policy 4410 Travel Expenses.

CARRIED

ii. Draft Policy: 4600 Purchasing Goods and Services

Moved/Seconded

The Secretary Treasurer reported that Policy 4600: Purchasing Goods and Services and Procedures had been updated based on the Surrey School District Policy and Procedures that were recently reviewed by legal counsel.

THAT the Board receive for information and continuation with the consultation process:

- Policy 4600: Purchasing Goods and Services
- Procedure 4600.1 Purchasing – Method to Obtain Goods and Services
- Procedure 4600.2 Purchasing – Methods to Obtain
- Procedure 4600.3 Purchasing – Obtain Vendor Pricing
- Procedure 4600.4 Purchasing – Competitive Bidding Process
- Procedure 4600.5 Purchasing – Selection of Vendor Bids and Proposals

CARRIED

iii. 8912 Independent Directed Studies

Moved/Seconded

The Superintendent reported that policy and procedures for Independent Directed Studies were required to support the courses offered in the school district.

THAT the Board receive for information and continuation with the consultation process:

- Policy 8912: Independent Directed Studies
- Procedure 8912.1: Independent Directed Studies

CARRIED

iv. Draft Policy: 9500 Suspension and Exclusion of Students from School

Moved/Seconded

The Superintendent reported that the existing policy was out of date and required updating. Revisions and updates will be required on a continuing basis.

THAT the Board receive for information and continuation with the consultation process Policy 9500 Suspension and Exclusion of Students from School.

CARRIED

- d) Education
- e) Aboriginal Education
- f) Inclusive Education
- g) French Immersion Advisory

Trustee Beare reported that the French Immersion committee recently met, it was noted that classes are becoming more diverse.

h) District Student Advisory

Staff reported that the last DSAC meeting had 150 students attend. A very robust group, the theme for the year is "gratitude".

- i) Round Table with Partner Groups
- j) Facilities Planning

H. TRUSTEE MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS

I. TRUSTEE REPORTS

BC School Trustees Association Provincial Council

- a) Motions for BCSTA Provincial Council

The Chairperson requested feedback from trustees on motions for BCSTA Provincial Council, due early January.

District Parent Advisory Council

Trustee Carreras reported that the November meeting was very successful packed meeting; topic of discussion was Grade 8 registration and preparation.

Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows Arts Council

Trustee Carreras reported that the next council meeting is in January.

Tzu Chi Foundation

Trustee Rempel reported that the foundation is struggling with how to raise money.

Good News Items

Trustees reported on school Christmas concerts attended, the Learning Forward Conference, CPR and AED training, the Wellness Centre open house, the Maple Ridge Community Foundation event, Blue Mountain Early Years Centre opening, Bookfest and the Salvation Army Dignity breakfast.

Trustee Rempel shared that the Rotary backpack program has increased to fund 25.

L. QUESTION PERIOD

A question was posed regarding the Supreme Court Ruling.

M. OTHER BUSINESS

N. ADJOURNMENT

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Board adjourn the meeting.

CARRIED

The Public Board meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.



Mike Murray, Chairperson



Flavia Coughlan, Secretary Treasurer