

PUBLIC MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING Wednesday, December 9, 2015 (6:00 PM) DEO Board Room

IN ATTENDANCE:

BOARD MEMBERS:

STAFF:

Trustee – Mike Murray

Superintendent - Sylvia Russell

Trustee – Eleanor Palis

Secretary Treasurer – Flavia Coughlan

Trustee - Lisa Beare

Executive Assistant - Karen Yoxall

Trustee - Susan Carr

Trustee - Korleen Carreras

Trustee - Ken Clarkson

Trustee - Dave Rempel

ABSENT:

Deputy Superintendent - Laurie Meston

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.

B. ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING MATTERS

1. Annual Report of Chairperson

Moved/Seconded

The Board Chairperson presented the Annual Report of the Chairperson highlighting events of 2015 including the completion of the Strategic Facilities Plan, the completion and implementation of the Energy Management Plan, the signing of the Fourth Five Year Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement and the adoption of numerous new and updated policies.

THAT the Board receive the Annual Report of the Chairperson for information. **CARRIED**

2. Election of Board Officers/Nomination and Election Procedures

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Board approve the Trustee Elections proceedings in accordance with Procedure 2915.1: Trustee Elections – Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson.

CARRIED

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Board proceed to elect a Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson in accordance with the attached nomination and election procedure (2915.1).

CARRIED

The Board Chair passed the gavel to the Secretary Treasurer who acted as Chair pro-tem for the election process.

The Chair pro-tem called for nominations for Chairperson of the Board for a one year term. A seconder was not required for nominations.

Trustee Carr nominated Trustee Murray.

The Chair pro-tem called for any further nominations. There were no further nominations. The Chair pro-tem asked Trustee Murray if he accepted the nomination.

Trustee Murray Accepted the nomination.

The Chair pro-tem called for a second time for nominations for Chairperson of the Board for a one year term. The Chair pro-tem then called for a third and final time for nominations for the position of Chairperson of the Board. There were no other nominations.

It was then announced by acclamation that the duly elected Chairperson of the Board of Education of School District No. 42 (Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows) for a one year period ended December 2016 is **Trustee Murray.**

The Chair pro-tem called for nominations for the position of Vice-Chairperson of the Board for a one year term. A seconded was not required for nominations.

Trustee Palis nominated Trustee Carr.

The Chair pro-tem called for any further nominations. There were no further nominations. The Chair pro-tem asked Trustee Carr if she accepted the nomination.

Trustee Carr Accepted the nomination.

The Chair pro-tem called for a second time for nominations for the position of Vice-Chairperson of the Board. The Chair pro-tem then called for a third and final time for nominations for the position of Vice-Chairperson of the Board. There were no other nominations.

It was then announced by acclamation that the duly elected Vice-Chairperson of the Board of Education of School District No. 42 (Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows) for a one year period ended December 2016 is **Trustee Carr**.

3. Remarks of Board Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson

The Board Chair and Vice Chair thanked everyone. Trustee Palis spoke to her role as Vice Chairperson for the previous two terms.

C. OPENING PROCEDURES: ORDINARY BUSINESS MEETING MATTERS

- 1. Correspondence
- 2. Approval of Agenda

Moved/Seconded

Addition:

Proposed Trustee Motions to BC Public School Employers Association's Annual General Meeting under Trustee Motions.

THAT the Agenda be ordered as amended.

CARRIED

3. Invitation for Public Input to matters on the Agenda

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. November 18, 2015

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Minutes of the November 18, 2015 Meeting be approved as circulated. **CARRIED**

E. PRESENTATIONS

F. DELEGATIONS

1. Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows Arts Council: Lindy Sisson and Landrie Davies

Moved/Seconded

Lindy Sisson and Landrie Davies presented an overiew of student volunteer opportunities, programs, scheduled gallery field trips and performance opportunities.

THAT the Board receive the presentation on Family and Youth Volunteer Programs by Lindy Sisson and Landrie Davies of the Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Arts Council for information.

CARRIED

G. DEFERRED ITEMS

H. DECISION ITEMS

- 1. Chairperson
 - a) Proposed Committee Appointments

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Board receive and approve the attached proposed committee appointments for a period of one year commencing December 9, 2015.

CARRIED

- 2. Superintendent of Schools
- 3. Secretary Treasurer
- 4. Board Committees
 - a) Finance
 - b) Budget
 - c) Board Policy Development
 - d) Strategic Facilities Plan
 - e) Education Committee
 - f) Aboriginal Education

G. INFORMATION ITEMS

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

Moved/Seconded

The Superintendent reported on an Interdisciplinary Arts Academy presentation at Garibaldi Secondary School, annual food bank collections at Garibaldi Secondary School and Samuel Robertson Technical Secondary School, the visit by Minister Bernier to Albion Elementary, Christmas concerts and the donation of dictionaries by the Meadow Ridge Rotary Club.

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) Strategic Facilities Plan
 - e) Education
 - f) Aboriginal Education
 - g) Inclusive Education
 - h) French Immersion Advisory
 - i) District Student Advisory
 - j) Round Table with Partner Groups

H. TRUSTEE MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Trustee Beare submitted the following three motions for submission the the BC Public School Employers Association Annual General Meeting:

MOTION 1

Moved/Seconded

THAT The Board of Education submit a motion to the BCPSEA AGM requesting that the Ministry of Education release BCPSEA from the direction of the Public Administrator and reinstate Trustee Directors to the BCPSEA Board.

CARRIED

MOTION 2

Moved/Seconded

THAT The Board of Education submit a motion to the BCPSEA AGM requesting that BCPSEA ensure the costs incurred by Boards by the Economic Stability Dividend are fully funded for the duration of the Provincial Framework Agreement.

CARRIED

MOTION 3

Moved/Seconded

THAT The Board of Education submit a motion to the BCPSEA AGM requesting that BCPSEA and the Ministry of Education respect the local autonomy of Boards of Education and their ability to implement the attendance support and wellness initiative project.

CARRIED

I. TRUSTEE REPORTS

Ridge Meadows Education Foundation

Trustee Rempel reported on an upcoming seminar that will take place in February.

Good News

Trustees reported on the Salvation Army Dignity Breakfast and Christmas events within the schools and community.

J. QUESTION PERIOD

K. OTHER BUSINESS

L. ADJOURNMENT

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Board adjourn the meeting.

CARRIED

The Public Board meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Mike Murray, Chairperson

Flavia Coughlan, Secretary Treasurer