

PUBLIC MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Wednesday, January 29, 2014 (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:

Superintendent - Jan Unwin

Secretary Treasurer – Flavia Coughlan
Deputy Superintendent – Laurie Meston

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.

The Trustees' thanked Janice Allen and presented her with a card upon her retirement from the School District.

The Chair requested a minute of silence in memory of Susan Van Pelt.

2. Correspondence

• Mel Joy, Chair, School District No. 8 (Kootenay Lake)

Moved: Trustee Rempel Seconded: Trustee Clarkson

THAT the Board receive all correspondence for information.

CARRIED

3. Correspondence

Moved: Trustee Rempel Seconded: Trustee Carr

THAT the Agenda be ordered as circulated.

CARRIED

The Chair opened the floor to others wanting to speak to the Agenda.

B. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. January 15, 2014 Public Board Meeting Minutes

Moved: Trustee Rempel Seconded: Trustee Marshall

THAT the Minutes of the January 15, 2014 Public Board Meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

C. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

1. Maple Ridge Branch of the Royal Canadian Sea Cadets

Moved: Trustee Rempel
Seconded: Trustee Clarkson

Rory Thompson, Executive Officer of the Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps Invincible, presented information on the Maple Ridge Branch of the Sea Cadets. He explained the scope of training that youths receive when joining this program and further explained that since the program is endorsed by the Ministry of Education youths can qualify for high school credits: Cadet 10 (4 credits), Cadet 11 (4 credits), Cadet 12 (4 credits). Discussion ensued on the impact of the rental rate increase on the Maple Ridge Branch and their subsequent decision to move their training site from Glenwood Elementary to the Royal Canadian Legion.

The Communications and Community Relations Manager confirmed that if community groups wish to, they can promote their programs on the school district website: http://www1.sd42.ca/community-promotions

THAT the Board receive the presentation from the Maple Ridge Branch of the Royal Canadian Sea Cadets for information.

CARRIED

- D. CHAIR REPORT
- E. DEFERRED ITEMS
- F. TRUSTEE MOTIONS
- G. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT
 - 1. Decision Items
 - a) Superintendent of Schools
 - b) Deputy Superintendent
 - i. Approval Flex 42 District Program

Moved: Trustee Rempel **Seconded:** Trustee Carr

The Deputy Superintendent and Vice Principal of Continuing Education gave a brief overview on the proposed Flex42 District Program. It was explained that the need for a flexible option for kindergarten to grade 7 and the enactment of Bill 36 allowing cross enrolment of students in grades 8 to 9, has driven the need for this learning option.

THAT THE Board approve the implementation of the Flex42 District Program. **CARRIED**

c) Secretary Treasurer

1. Information Items

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

H. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

1. Committees of the Whole

- a) 2013 2014 Finance
- b) 2013 2014 Budget

2. Committee & Advisory Committee Reports

- a) Aboriginal Education
- b) Board Policy Development
 - i. Policy 2920: Trustees' Remuneration Policy

Moved: Trustee Clarkson
Seconded: Trustee Marshall

The Secretary Treasurer reported that Procedural Bylaw 2-2008 was rescinded a first time at the Public Board Meeting on November 27, 2013. It is now being presented to the Board for rescission a second and final time.

THAT the attached Procedural Bylaw 2-2008 Trustee Remuneration be rescinded as read a second time.

THAT the attached Procedural Bylaw 2-2008 Trustee Remuneration be rescinded as read a third and final time.

CARRIED

Moved: Trustee Palis Seconded: Trustee Rempel

The Secretary Treasurer reported that Policy 2920: Trustees' Remuneration was first presented at the Public Board Meeting on November 27, 2013 and has completed the required period for public input. It is now being presented to the Board for approval.

IT IS FURTHER RECOMMENDED THAT the Board approve Policy 2920 – Trustees' Remuneration for implementation, and

THAT the attached procedure 2920.1 Trustees' Remuneration Procedure be approved.

CARRIED

ii. Policy 5780: Information Technology and Communication Systems - Appropriate Use Policy

The Secretary Treasurer reported that Policy 5780: Information Technology and Communication Systems - Appropriate Use Policy was first presented at the Public Board Meeting on November 27, 2013 and has completed the required period for public input. It is now being presented to the Board for approval.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the Board rescind the following Policies:

Electronic Devices Policy (Approved – April 08/9)
Quickmail/Data Systems – Privacy and Access – EHA
Internet and/or District Wide Area Network use by Employees of the Board – EHB
Physical Security of Computing Devices – EIB
Student Use of Internet/Computer Facilities (plus attachment) – IIAD
Student Use of Cellular Phones or Paging Devices in Schools – JFCAA

IT IS FURTHER RECOMMENDED THAT the Board approve Policy: 5780 Information Technology and Communication Systems – Appropriate Use Policy for implementation, and

THAT the attached procedure: 5780.1 Social Media Guidelines be received for information.

CARRIED

iii. Policy 7210: Workplace Discrimination or Bullying and Harassment Policy

The Secretary Treasurer reported that Policy 7210: Workplace Discrimination or Bullying and Harassment Policy was first presented at the Public Board Meeting on November 27, 2013 and has completed the required period for public input. It is now being presented to the Board for approval.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the Board rescind the following Policy:

7210 Personal/Sexual Harassment

IT IS FURTHER RECOMMENDED THAT the Board approve Policy: 7210 Workplace Discrimination or Bullying and Harassment for Policy for implementation, and

THAT the attached Procedure: 7210.1 Reporting Procedure and 7210.2 Investigation Procedure be received for information.

CARRIED

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

I. QUESTION PERIOD

A statement was made by a CUPE employee on wages.

A concern was raised on the process for sending in feedback to the District on the Trustees' Remuneration Policy.

J. TRUSTEE REPORTS

Ridge Meadows Community Arts Council

Trustee Rempel reported that Kelly Swift, Manager of Parks and Leisure Services, presented a report on their services, and that the committee discussed the impact of the Gaming Centre on the ACT and the current art exhibit on display at the ACT.

Tzu Chi Foundation

Trustee Rempel reported his attendance at the New Year's celebration in Port Moody and the request for information from the Tzu Chi Foundation on the breakfast programs in the District and the possibility of developing more cultural experiences for students.

Artist in Residence

Trustee Clarkson reported that there were 14 applicants for the "Artist in Residence" program from across Canada. The successful candidate will be housed next to Haney House.

Good News Items

Trustees reported that Sean Nosek has been awarded Principal of the Year by the Learning Partnership of Canada, congratulated the success of the awards dinner that was held at Pitt Meadows Secondary School and discussed the upcoming graduation transitions at Maple Ridge Secondary School.

K. OTHER BUSINESS

The Trustees' presented the Superintendent with gifts and good wishes to mark her secondment to the Ministry of Education.

L. ADJOURNMENT

Moved: Trustee Rempel Seconded: Trustee Carr

THAT the meeting of the Board be adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

CARRIED

Mike Murray, Chairperson

Flavia Coughtan, Secretary Treasurer