



PUBLIC MINUTES OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Wednesday, June 26, 2013 (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
Executive Assistant – Lena Frend / Karen Yoxall

Absent:

Irena Pochop – Mgr. of Communications/Community Relations

A. OPENING PROCEDURES

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6: 02 p.m.
The Chair welcomed and thanked everyone for attending.

Correspondence

- Frank Lento, Chairperson – SD 5 (Southeast Kootenay)
- Darrel Ganzert – SD No. 20 (Kootenay – Columbia)
- Ginny Manning/Leslea Pryde – SD No. 67 (Okanagan Skaha)
- Leightan Wishart – SD No. 85 (Vancouver Island North)

Moved: Trustee Rempel

Seconded: Trustee Carr

THAT the Board receive all correspondence for information.

CARRIED

Ordering of Agenda

The Chair opened the floor to others wanting to speak to the Agenda. Trustee Clarkson requested to add the rental fee increase to Chair Report.

Moved: Trustee Rempel

Seconded: Trustee Nelson

THAT the Agenda be ordered as amended.

CARRIED

B. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. June 12, 2013 Public Board Meeting Minutes

Moved: Trustee Rempel

Seconded: Trustee Clarkson

THAT the Minutes of the June 12, 2013 Public Board Meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

C. PRESENTATIONS**D. DELEGATIONS****E. CHAIR REPORT**Rental Fee Increase

The Chair opened the discussion on the implementation of the new rental fee structure and the correct process for handling concerns. The Chair referred the matter to Trustee Carr who had received an enquiry from a user group. Concerns should come to the Board first in writing who will then refer them to staff. Trustee Clarkson enquired when user groups receive notification of rental fee increases. The Secretary Treasurer reported that all groups had received notification of the increase and that so far there had only been positive feedback. One daycare may not renew but this is not due to the fee increase. The question of how much space each particular group needs is being considered and that the new fee structure reflects moving to a cost recovery basis.

F. DEFERRED ITEMS**G. TRUSTEE MOTIONS****H. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT****1. Decision Items****a) Superintendent of Schools**Achievement Contract 2013

The Superintendent requested the approval of Achievement Contract 2013 so that it could be submitted to the Ministry of Education by July 15, 2013. The Achievement Contract 2013 will be looked at in more depth in the fall. Additional data has now been included in the Achievement Contract 2013 on the summer learning program.

Moved: Trustee Carr

Seconded: Trustee Marshall

THAT the Board ratify the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the 2013 Achievement Contract which is to be submitted to the Ministry of Education by July 15, 2013.

CARRIED**b) Deputy Superintendent****c) Secretary Treasurer****2. Information Items****a) Superintendent of Schools****b) Deputy Superintendent****c) Secretary Treasurer**

I. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

1. Committees of the Whole
2. Committee & Advisory Committee Reports
 - a) Aboriginal Education
 - b) Board Policy Development
 - i. Proposed Draft Policy 2500

The Secretary Treasurer reported on the review of proposed draft Policy 2500 which defines how policy is initiated and reviewed. The proposed draft policy is essentially the same but is more streamlined than the original and would require only one procedure and not two procedures attached to policy.

Moved: Trustee Rempel

Seconded: Trustee Clarkson

THAT the Board receive for information and continuation with the consultation process: policy 2500 Board Policy Development and procedure 2500.1 Board Policy Development Committee.

CARRIED

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

J. QUESTION PERIOD

1. Trustee Questions
2. Staff Questions
3. Employee Group Questions

CUPE representative wished everybody a happy and safe summer.

4. DPAC Questions
5. Public Questions

K. TRUSTEE REPORTS

Ridge Meadows Community Arts Council.

Trustee Rempel reported that The Ridge Meadows Community Arts Council is hoping to have one free performance for Grade 5 students in January 2014. The AGM Committee Report will be available in July and the next meeting is scheduled for July 16th.

Ridge Meadows Education Foundation.

Trustee Rempel reported that The Ridge Meadows Education Foundation donated \$500 to the Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Community Association. This money will be given to the Salvation Army to assist in the preparation of lunches for students.

Good News Items

The Chair invited Trustees to share their good news items. Trustee Rempel attended the opening of two new parks in the Silver Valley area – Deer Fern Park and Cedar Park. Trustees commented on the various graduation ceremonies, and visiting the Montessori program at Hammond Elementary. Positive comments from Elementary Principals were shared by the Deputy Superintendent.

L. OTHER BUSINESS

Public Disclosure of Closed Meeting Business

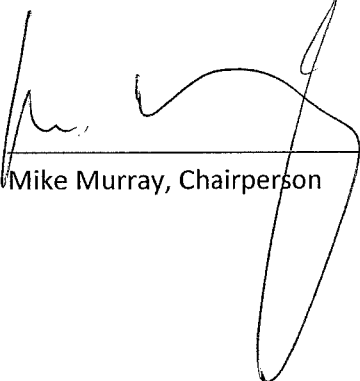
M. ADJOURNMENT

Moved: Trustee Rempel

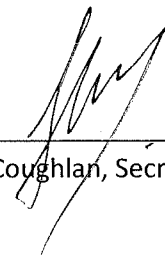
Seconded: Trustee Carr

THAT the meeting of the Board be adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

CARRIED



Mike Murray, Chairperson



Flavia Coughlan, Secretary Treasurer