

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 – Karen Yoxall

ABSENT: Mgr. of Communication/Community Relations – Irena Pochop

A. OPENING PROCEDURES

Call to Order

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

Correspondence

- Moyra Baxter, Chair – SD. 23 (Central Okanagan)
- Caroline Mitchell, Chairperson – SD. 28 (Quesnel)
- Walt Krahn, Chair – SD. 33 (Chilliwack)
- Silas White, Chair – SD. 46 (Sunshine Coast)
- Peg Orcherton, Chair – SD. 61 (Greater Victoria)
- Larry Ransom, Chair – SD. 70 (Alberni)
- Leightan Wishart, Chair – SD. 85 (Vancouver Island North)
- Ernie Daykin, Mayor – District of Maple Ridge
- Misty Thomas, Executive Director – West Coast Auto Group Football Club

Moved: Trustee Rempel

Seconded: Trustee Palis

THAT the Board receive all correspondence for information.

CARRIED

Ordering of Agenda

Moved: Trustee Rempel

Seconded: Trustee Clarkson

Additions/Amendments –

Correspondence: Misty Thomas, Executive Director – West Coast Auto Group Football Club Moved to Chair Report

Trustee Reports: October 2013 Provincial Council Disposition of Motions

THAT the Agenda be ordered as amended.

CARRIED

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

B. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

1. October 9, 2013 Public Board Meeting Minutes

Moved: Trustee Rempel

Seconded: Trustee Carr

THAT the Minutes of the October 9, 2013 Public Board Meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

C. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

1. Achievement Contract – Laurie Meston

The Deputy Superintendent, Laurie Meston, presented information from the Achievement Contract concentrating on the focus area of Early Learning and Aboriginal Education. The Deputy Superintendent described data collected, what was learned from this data and how the data will be used to plan for next year. Attendance, Parents as Learning Supporters (PALS), the 6 year completion rate and pedagogical documentation were discussed.

Moved: Trustee Rempel

Seconded: Trustee Marshall

THAT the Board receive the Achievement Contract presentation, for information.

CARRIED

D. CHAIR REPORT

1. Roadmap to Excellence

The Board Chair presented the Roadmap to Excellence for adoption as the Board's strategic plan and explained that this document will ensure alignment throughout the organization.

Moved: Trustee Rempel

Seconded: Trustee Marshall

THAT the Board adopt the "Roadmap to Excellence" as its strategic plan.

CARRIED

2. Misty Thomas, Executive Director – West Coast Auto Group Football Club

Trustee Carr declared a conflict of interest but remained in the meeting.

Moved: Trustee Clarkson

Seconded: Trustee Rempel

THAT Staff be requested to research rental rates for youth non profit groups (like girl guides, minor soccer etc) established by other School Districts in the Lower Mainland and Fraser Valley for the use of their facilities and report back to the Board as quickly as possible in advance of implementation of the SD 42 new rates in January.

Discussion ensued on the provincial government's lack of funding to education and the impact of increased rental rates on community user groups.

The vote was two in favor and three opposed. The Chair voted in favor of the motion, making three votes in favor and three votes against the motion. It was suggested that the motion was deemed to have been adopted, as it was the Chair's positive vote that created the tie. It was subsequently clarified by a professional parliamentary opinion

that the tie vote meant the motion was defeated, regardless of whether it was the Chair's positive vote that created the tie.

DEFEATED

E. DEFERRED ITEMS

F. TRUSTEE MOTIONS

G. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

1. Decision Items

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

i. Budget Impact of the September Enrolment Count

The Secretary Treasurer reported that on October 7, 2013, the enrolment count as at September 30, 2013 was submitted to the Ministry of Education. The enrolment change is estimated to result in additional funding of approximately \$0.8 million. The actual amount will be known in December when the Ministry announces the interim operating grants for school districts. The reported enrolment increase for students with special needs requires the allocation of an additional 100 SEA hours per week for an estimated annual cost of \$0.15 million.

Moved: Trustee Rempel

Seconded: Trustee Carr

THAT the Board: approve the allocation of an additional 100 SEA hours per week for an estimated cost of \$0.15 million, and receive the Secretary Treasurer's report on the Budget Impact of the September Enrolment Count for information.

CARRIED

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

Aboriginal Education

Trustee Carr and Trustee Palis reported on the positive feedback from the aboriginal community.

District Student Advisory

Trustee Nelson reported on the first general meeting of the year with its new and inspired leaders.

I. QUESTION PERIOD

J. TRUSTEE REPORTS

BCSTA - October 2013 Provincial Council Disposition of Motions

Trustee Clarkson reported on the October 2013 Provincial Council Meeting and discussed the following disposition of the motions:

9.1 Exempt Staff Compensation Freeze	Carried
9.2 Government Funding for Negotiated Settlements	Carried
9.3 Election of Representatives to Bargaining Committees	Posted Indefinitely
9.4 Request for an Additional General Meeting	Defeated
9.5 Recommendations of the BCSTA Bargaining Structure Task Force	Carried as amended
9.6 Bargaining Structure	Defeated
10.1 Local Government Election Cycle	Carried as amended
10.2 Trustee By-elections	Defeated
10.3 Co-governance	Carried

District Parent Advisory Council

Trustee Nelson reported on the large turnout at the meeting on October 10, 2013.

Joint Parks and Leisure Services

The Board Chair reported on the discussion of the five year business plan.

Municipal Advisory and Accessibility

Financial as well as physical accessibility were discussed.

Ridge Meadows Community Arts Council

The Annual General Meeting took place with new members on the Board.

Ridge Meadows Education Foundation

The Foundation will be distributing vouchers for the purchase of Christmas trees on December 14, 2013.

Youth Society

Trustee Marshall reported that the Society is in the process of finding a new leader.

K. OTHER BUSINESS

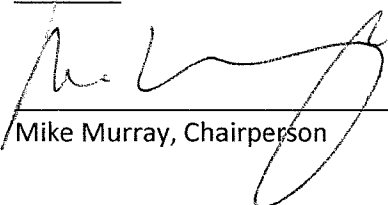
L. ADJOURNMENT

Moved: Trustee Rempel

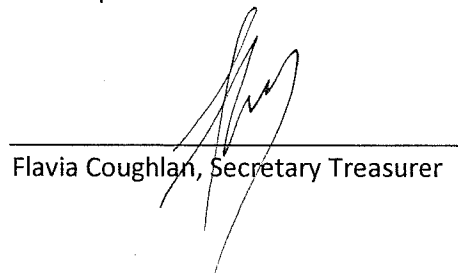
Seconded: Trustee Clarkson

THAT the meeting of the Board be adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

CARRIED



Mike Murray, Chairperson



Flavia Coughlan, Secretary Treasurer