

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

BOARD MEMBERS:

Board Chairperson – Mike Murray  
Vice-Chairperson – Eleanor Palis  
Trustee – Susan Carr  
Trustee – Ken Clarkson  
Trustee – Sarah Nelson  
Trustee – Dave Rempel

STAFF:

Superintendent – Jan Unwin  
Secretary Treasurer – Flavia Coughlan  
Deputy Superintendent – Laurie Meston  
Director of Instruction – David Vandergugten  
Mgr. of Communication/Community Relations – Irena Pochop  
Executive Assistant – Karen Yoxall

**ABSENT:** Trustee – Kathy Marshall

**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

- Patti Bacchus, Chairperson – SD No. 39 (Vancouver)
- Mike Murray, Chair – SD No. 42 (Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows)
- Melissa Hyndes, Chairperson – SD No. 43 (Coquitlam)
- Tina Last, Chairperson – SD No. 52 (Prince Rupert)
- Edie Heinrichs, Chairperson – SD No. 75 (Mission)

Trustee Clarkson requested that all correspondence be moved to Chair Report.

**Moved:** Trustee Rempel

**Seconded:** Trustee Clarkson

THAT the Board receive all correspondence for information.

**CARRIED**

Ordering of Agenda

**Moved:** Trustee Rempel

**Seconded:** Trustee Nelson

**Additions/Amendments –**

Correspondence: Patti Bacchus, Chairperson – SD No. 39 (Vancouver) Moved to Chair Report  
Correspondence: Mike Murray – SD No. 42 (Maple Ridge – Pitt Meadows) Moved to Chair Report  
Correspondence: Melissa Hyndes, Chairperson – SD No. 43 (Coquitlam) Moved to Chair Report  
Correspondence: Tina Last, Chairperson – SD No. 52 (Prince Rupert) Moved to Chair Report  
Correspondence: Edie Heinrichs, Chairperson – SD No. 75 (Mission) Moved to Chair Report  
Deputy Superintendent Decision Item: Maple Ridge Teachers' Association Input  
Trustee Reports: BCSTA - Motions to Provincial Council

THAT the Agenda be ordered as amended.

**CARRIED**

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

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**B. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**1. September 25, 2013 Public Board Meeting Minutes**Moved:** Trustee Rempel**Seconded:** Trustee Carr

THAT the Minutes of the September 25, 2013 Public Board Meeting be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED****C. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS**1. The Lougheed Area Girl Guides of Canada – Guides du Canada

Darlene Kent, Lougheed Area Commissioner, presented information on the vision, mission, values, promise and law of the Girl Guides of Canada – Guides du Canada. Ms. Kent explained that the Girl Guides in the Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows area are organized into four Units consisting of Alouette, Laity, Port Hammond and Pitt Meadows. Ms. Kent described the impact the rental rate increases have had on the local guiding community with higher registration costs and the decision by some groups to find alternative space. The Chair thanked Ms. Kent for her presentation and said the Board would respond in writing to the questions submitted.

**Moved:** Trustee Rempel**Seconded:** Trustee Nelson

THAT the Board receive the presentation from The Lougheed Area Girl Guides of Canada – Guides du Canada, for information.

**CARRIED.**2. Achievement Contract – David Vandergugten

David Vandergugten, Director of Instruction, presented information from the Achievement Contract on Elementary Literacy and the iPod Literacy Project focusing on the primary to intermediate grades. He gave a brief overview of how technology can be used to improve student learning and to improve reading fluency in particular. He continued his presentation on Using Technology to Engage the Learner focusing on the transition from grade 7 to grade 8.

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

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

**CARRIED****D. CHAIR REPORT**Correspondence

- Patti Bachus, Chairperson – SD No. 39 (Vancouver)
- Mike Murray, Chair – SD No. 42 (Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows)
- Melissa Hyndes, Chairperson – SD No. 43 (Coquitlam)
- Tina Last, Chairperson – SD No. 52 (Prince Rupert)
- Edie Heinrichs, Chairperson – SD No. 75 (Mission)

Discussion ensued on the funding of wage increases. Trustee Clarkson requested that the Chair clarify to the public the consequences of refusing to develop a savings plan. The Chair commented that he was not in a position to comment since bargaining was ongoing but that it would be difficult if Boards did not have the necessary funds.

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**E. DEFERRED ITEMS****F. TRUSTEE MOTIONS****G. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT****1. Decision Items**

- a) Superintendent of Schools
- b) Deputy Superintendent

- i. Learning Improvement Fund

The Deputy Superintendent provided an overview of the decisions finalized by the Learning Improvement Fund Committee. These jointly agreed upon decisions include the allocation of additional teacher FTE in elementary and secondary schools and the allocation of TTOC time to assist teachers to support student learning in elementary and secondary schools. The Deputy Superintendent reported on the procedure for the allocation of the reserves, the allocation of the EA funds by the SD42 LIFT UP Committee and class size and composition.

**Moved:** Trustee Rempel

**Seconded:** Trustee Nelson

THAT the Board approve the Learning Improvement Fund Spending Plan Summary for submission to the Minister of Education by October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

**CARRIED**

- ii. Maple Ridge Teachers' Association Input

George Serra, President of the Maple Ridge Teachers' Association reported that even though the decisions made by the Learning Improvement Committee were part of a collaborative process, it should be noted that teachers want class size and composition issues negotiated back into the collective agreement.

- c) Secretary Treasurer

- i. Banking Resolution

The Secretary Treasurer reported that in order to better reflect the duties and responsibilities of Board and staff, the Board Chair and Vice-Chair have been removed as authorized signatures with the Toronto Dominion Bank and the Superintendent and Deputy Superintendent have been added as authorized signatures with the Toronto Dominion Bank.

**Moved:** Trustee Rempel

**Seconded:** Trustee Clarkson

THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 42 (Maple Ridge - Pitt Meadows) Banking Resolution be read, passed and adopted on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2013.

**CARRIED**

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ii. PMSS – Portable Change Rooms

The Secretary Treasurer reported that Parks and Leisure Services is seeking approval in principle for a portable change room adjacent to the artificial turf field at the Pitt Meadows Secondary site. The necessity for such a facility is to enable the provision of change rooms by the soccer club when hosting games. The facility would be shared by the school and the community.

**Moved:** Trustee Carr

**Seconded:** Trustee Rempel

THAT the Board approves in principle the placement of a portable change room adjacent to the artificial turn field at the Pitt Meadows Secondary School site, and

FURTHER that the Board of Education authorizes the Secretary Treasurer to negotiate on its behalf a construction, maintenance and use agreement with the City of Pitt Meadows for the proposed placement of a portable change room adjacent to the artificial turf field at the Pitt Meadows Secondary School site.

**CARRIED** (Opposed: Trustee Clarkson)

**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 2500: Board Policy Development

**Moved:** Trustee Rempel

**Seconded:** Trustee Clarkson

The Secretary Treasurer reported that Policy 2500 – Board Policy Development was first presented at the Public Board Meeting on June 26, 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 approve Policy 2500 – Board Policy Development for implementation; and:

THAT the attached procedure 2500.1 Board Policy Development Committee be received for information.

**CARRIED**

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

**I. QUESTION PERIOD**

George Serra, Maple Ridge Teachers' Association, asked a question in relation to the funding of wage increases and further Board action.

**J. TRUSTEE REPORTS**

BCSTA – Motions to Provincial Council

Discussion ensued on the following motions in preparation for the Provincial Council Meeting on October 26, 2013:

- Agenda Item #9.1: Exempt Staff Compensation Freeze
- Agenda Item #9.2: Government Funding for Negotiated Settlements
- Agenda Item #9.3: Election of Representatives to Bargaining Committees
- Agenda Item #9.4: Recommendations of the BCSTA Bargaining Structure Task Force
- Agenda Item #9.5: Bargaining Structure
- Agenda Item #9.6: Request for an Additional General Meeting
- Agenda Item #L9.7: Local Government Election Cycle

All motions are supported.

**K. OTHER BUSINESS**

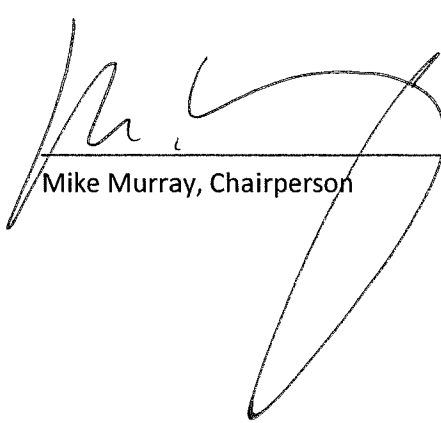
**L. ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved:** Trustee Rempel

**Seconded:** Trustee Clarkson

THAT the meeting of the Board be adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

**CARRIED**

  
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Mike Murray, Chairperson

  
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Flavia Coughlan, Secretary Treasurer