

# PUBLIC MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Wednesday, September 10, 2014 (6:00 PM)
Fraserview Village Hall

#### 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:

Acting Superintendent – Laurie Meston Secretary Treasurer – Flavia Coughlan

Acting Assistant Superintendent – David Vandergugten Acting Assistant Superintendent – Shannon Derinzy

Mgr. of Communication/Community Relations – Irena Pochop

Director of Finance – Jennifer Hendriks 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.

## 2. Correspondence

**Moved:** Trustee Rempel **Seconded:** Trustee Palis

- Frank Lento, Chair, School District No. 5 (Southeast Kootenay)
- · Pattie Adam, Chair, School District No. 10 (Arrow Lakes)
- Alan Chell, Chair, School District No. 19 (Revelstoke)
- Darren Ganzert, Chair/Lorraine Manning, Vice Chair, School District No. 20 (Kootenay-Columbia)
- Moyra Baxter, Chair, School District No. 23 (Central Okanagan)
- Tanya Guenther, Chair, School District No. 27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin)
- Tony Goulet, Chair/Denice Bardua, President CUPE, School District No. 28 (Quesnel)
- Walt Krahn, Chair/Silvia Dyck, Vice Chair, School District No. 33 (Chilliwack)
- Donna Sargent, Chair, Trustees, School District No. 38 (Richmond)
- Patti Bacchus, Chair, School District No. 39 (Vancouver)
- Jonina Campbell, Chair, School District No. 40 (New Westminster)
- Melissa Hyndes, Chair, School District No. 43 (Coquitlam)
- Franci Stratton, Chair, School District No. 44 (North Vancouver)
- Betty Baxter, Chair, School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast)
- Dr. Jeanette Scott, Chair, School District No. 47 (Powell River)
- Rick Price, Chair, School District No. 48 (Sea to Sky)
- Tina Last, Chair, School District No. 52 (Prince Rupert)
- Sharel Warrington, Chair, School District No. 57 (Prince George)
- Peg Orcherton, Chair, School District No. 61 (Victoria)
- Wayne Hunter, Chair, School District No. 63 (Saanich)
- May McKenzie, Chair, School District No. 64 (Gulf Islands)
- Bruce Johnson, Chair, School District No. 67 (Okanagan Skaha)
- Dot Neary, Chair, School District No. 68 (Nanaimo)
- Lynette Kershaw, Chair, School District No. 69 (Qualicum)
- Larry Ransom, Chair, School District No. 70 (Alberni)
- Janice Caton, Chair, School District No. 71 (Comox Valley)

- Denise Harper, Chair, School District No. 73 (Kamloops/Thompson)
- Linda McMullan, Chair, School District No. 78 (Fraser-Cascade)
- Art Eramus, Chair, School District No. 82 (Coast Mountains)
- Leightan Wishart, Chair, School District No. 85 (Vancouver Island North)
- Steven Dillen, Parent, School District No. 42 (Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows)
- Teresa Rezansoff, BC School Trustees Association

THAT the Board receive all correspondence for information.

#### **CARRIED**

3. Approval of Agenda

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

THAT the Agenda be ordered as circulated.

# **CARRIED**

4. Invitation for Public Input to matters on the Agenda

A question was asked re: ratification of the CUPE 703 Memorandum of Settlement.

#### **B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. June 25, 2014 Public Board Meeting Minutes

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

THAT the Minutes of the June 25, 2014 Public Board Meeting be approved as circulated.

#### **CARRIED**

- C. PRESENTATIONS
- D. DELEGATIONS
- **E. DEFERRED ITEMS**
- F. DECISION ITEMS
  - 1. Chairperson
  - 2. Superintendent of Schools
  - 3. Secretary Treasurer
  - 4. Board Committees
    - a) Finance
      - i. Audited Financial Statements

The Secretary Treasurer presented the Audited Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014. In accordance with the School Act, Boards of Education must prepare financial statements with respect to the preceding fiscal year and forward a copy to the Ministry of Education by September 30, 2014, together with the auditor' report.

The Secretary Treasurer reported on Accounting Policies, Operating Fund, Special Purpose Funds and Capital Fund.

THAT the Board approve the Audited Financial Statements of School District No. 42 (Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows) June 30, 2014.

#### CARRIED

- b) Budget
- c) Board Policy Development

#### **G. INFORMATION ITEMS**

- Chairperson
  - a) Board Letters

**Moved:** Trustee Rempel **Seconded:** Trustee Palis

The Board Chair presented a letter sent by the Board of Education to Premier Christy Clark and Minister Peter Fassbender re: use of teacher strike savings.

The Board Chair presented a letter sent by the Board of Education to the Editor of the Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Times and the Editor of the Maple Ridge News re: an open letter to the community.

THAT the letter to Premier Christy Clark and Minister Peter Fassbender and the letter to the Editor of the Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Times and the Editor of the Maple Ridge News be received for information.

#### **CARRIED**

- 2. Superintendent of Schools
- 3. Secretary Treasurer
- 4. Board Committees & Advisory & Advisory Committee Reports
  - a) Finance
  - b) Budget
  - c) Board Policy Development
  - d) Education
  - e) Aboriginal Education
  - f) Inclusive Education
  - g) French Immersion Advisory
  - h) District Student Advisory
  - i) Round Table with Partners

#### H. TRUSTEE MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS

#### I. TRUSTEE REPORTS

# **BC School Trustees Association Provincial Council**

It was agreed that motions on emergent issues for the upcoming Provincial Council would be compiled following a conference call with the BC Public School Employers' Association.

# **Good News Items**

The Board Chair thanked the Administrative staff for their excellent work during the job action. The Board Chair also reported on the success of the recent CUPE negotiations.

# J. QUESTION PERIOD

Questions were asked by members of the public on the current teacher job action. Where to obtain up to date job action updates, how to restore working relationships and correspondence issued by the Board to government on the underfunding of education were discussed.

#### **K. OTHER BUSINESS**

#### L. ADJOURNMENT

**Moved:** Trustee Rempel **Seconded:** Trustee Palis

THAT the meeting of the Board be adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

**CARRIED** 

Mike Murray, Chairperson

Flavia Goughlan, Secretary Treasurer