

PUBLIC MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING Wednesday, September 11, 2013 (5:00 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

Superintendent – Jan Unwin

Superintendent – Flavia Coughlan

Deputy Superintendent – Laurie Meston

Mgr. of Communications/Community Relations – Irena Pochop

Jennifer Hendricks – Director of Finance

Executive Assistant – Karen Yoxall

ABSENT: Trustee – Dave Rempel

A. OPENING PROCEDURES

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

The Chair welcomed and thanked everyone for attending.

Correspondence

- BCSTA Boards of Education Survey Trustee Remuneration/Meals/Mileage
- Peter Fassbender Minister of Education July 31, 2013
- Frank Lento, Chair SD No. 5 (Southeast Kootenay)
- Mel Joy, Chair SD No. 8 (Kootenay Lake) July 26, August 8 & September 3, 2013
- Moyra Baxter, Chair SD No. 23 (Central Okanagan) June 27, 2013
- Walt Krahn, Chair/Silvia Dyck, Vice Chair SD No. 33 (Chilliwack) June 27, 2013
- Donna Sargent, Chair SD No. 38 (Richmond) July 3, 2013
- Patti Bacchus, Chair SD No. 39 (Vancouver) July 3 & August 20, 2013
- Baljinder Narang, Chair SD No. 41 (Burnaby) July 2, July 4 & August 7, 2013
- Melissa Hyndes, Chair SD No. 43 (Coquitlam) June 25, 2013
- Betty Baxter, Vice-Chair SD No. 46 (Sunshine Coast) July 30, 2013
- Dr. Jeanette Scott, Chair SD No. 47 (Powell River) August 29, 2013
- Marieze Tarr, Chair/Sylvia Slater, President SD No. 53 (Okanagan Similkameen) July 8, 2013
- Ida Campbell, Vice-Chair SD No. 60 (Peace River North) September 4, 2013
- G. Wayne Hunter, Chair SD No. 63 (Saanich) June 25, 2013
- Michele Babchuk, Chair SD No. 72 (Campbell River) June 26, 2013
- Kathleen Karpuk, Vice-Chair SD No. 73 (Kamloops/Thompson) July 22 & July 23, 2013
- Edie Heinrichs, Chair SD No. 75 (Mission) June 26, 2013

Moved: Trustee Marshall Seconded: Trustee Clarkson

Trustee Clarkson requested that correspondence about BCSTA/BSPSEA change in structure be moved for discussion under Chair Report.

THAT the Board receive all correspondence for information.

CARRIED

Ordering of Agenda

Moved: Trustee Marshall Seconded: Trustee Clarkson

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. June 26, 2013 Public Board Meeting Minutes

Moved: Trustee Palis Seconded: Trustee Carr

THAT the Minutes of the June 26, 2013 Public Board Meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

- C. PRESENTATIONS
- D. DELEGATIONS
- E. CHAIR REPORT
 - 1. BCSTA/BCPSEA Change in Structure

Trustee Clarkson reported that BCSTA is creating a new structure for bargaining and has asked Boards for input on what this new structure could look like. Discussion ensued on encouraging parents to become more aware of how this change could affect the education system. The Board Chair thanked Trustee Clarkson.

- F. DEFERRED ITEMS
- **G. TRUSTEE MOTIONS**
- H. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT
 - 1. Decision Items
 - a) Superintendent of Schools
 - b) Deputy Superintendent
 - i. 2013 2014 Kanaka Creek School Calendar Revision

Moved: Trustee Marshall Seconded: Trustee Clarkson

The Deputy Superintendent reported the need for a revised Kanaka Creek School Calendar in order to incorporate the January 24th Non Instructional Day.

THAT the Board approve a change to the Kanaka Creek previously approved calendar — removing the afternoon of Monday January 6, 2014 and the afternoon of Monday April 28, 2014 and replacing them with a full day for professional development on the same day as the rest of the District — Friday, January 24, 2014.

CARRIED

c) Secretary Treasurer

i. Capital Amendment Bylaw No. 126633-02 2013/14 Annual Facility Grant - Capital Portion

Moved: Trustee Palis Seconded: Trustee Clarkson

THAT the Board pass Capital Amendment Bylaw No. 126633-02 2013/14 Annual Facility Grant — Capital Portion at this meeting with three (3) readings, unanimously.

CARRIED

Moved: Trustee Carr Seconded: Trustee Palis

THAT the Board pass Capital Amendment Bylaw No. 126633-02 2013/14 Annual Facility Grant – Capital Portion as read a first time.

CARRIED

Moved: Trustee Carr **Seconded:** Trustee Palis

THAT the Board pass Capital Amendment Bylaw No. 126633-02 2013/14 Annual Facility Grant — Capital Portion as read a second time.

CARRIED

THAT the Board pass Capital Amendment Bylaw No. 126633-02 2013/14 Annual Facility Grant — Capital Portion as read a third time and finally adopted.

CARRIED

2. Information Items

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

I. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

1. Committees of the Whole

- a) 2012 2013 Finance
 - i. Consolidated Audited Financial Statements

Moved: Trustee Clarkson **Seconded:** Trustee Palis

The Secretary Treasurer reported that districts were directed to adopt Public Sector Accounting Standards by the provincial government. The Secretary Treasurer continued to report that the 2012 – 2013 year ended with a surplus in the operating fund which is internally restricted, and that the contingency reserve fund of 1.7 million dollars is the only fund available to the Board for any unexpected increases. Capital funding came from the provincial government and was used to fund the replacement of roofs, building envelope remediation projects and other capital improvements.

Trustee Carr thanked the Secretary Treasurer and the Finance Department for their hard work.

THAT the Board approve the Consolidated Audited Financial Statements of School District No. 42 (Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows) June 30, 2013, June 30, 2012 and July 1, 2011.

CARRIED

ii. School District No. 42 Business Company

Moved: Trustee Marshall Seconded: Trustee Nelson

THAT the Board approve the audited financial statements for the School District No. 42 Business Company for the year ending March 5, 2013 for submission to the Ministry of Education.

CARRIED

b) 2013 - 2014 Budget

2. Committee & Advisory Committee Reports

- a) Aboriginal Education
- b) Board Policy Development
- c) District Student Advisory
- d) Education
- e) French Immersion Advisory
- f) Inclusive Education

J. QUESTION PERIOD

K. TRUSTEE REPORTS

BC School Trustees' Association Provincial Council - Motion Timelines

Trustee Clarkson reported that the deadline for motion submissions to the BCSTA Provincial Council held in October is September 20, 2013. The Board agreed to defer the discussion of motions until Wednesday, September 18, 2013.

Municipal Advisory & Accessibility

Trustee Marshall will not be available to attend the next meeting. The Board Chair will try to attend in Trustee Marshall's absence.

Ridge Meadows Community Arts Council

Trustee Clarkson reported that as part of the "Artist in Residence" program review in Maple Ridge, he travelled to Vancouver to learn more about the running of their program. It is hoped that the "Artist in Residence" program can be expanded to include Pitt Meadows.

Social Planning Advisory

Trustee Nelson commented on "Generation Squeeze" and recommended learning more at the following website:

http://www.mapleridge.ca/EN/main/municipal/728/9982/spac agenda minutes.html

The Board Chair thanked Trustee Clarkson for the beautiful student artwork in the Board Room.

L. OTHER BUSINESS

1. Public Disclosure of Closed Meeting Business

M. ADJOURNMENT

Moved: Trustee Nelson **Seconded:** Trustee Palis

THAT the meeting of the Board be adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

CARRIED

Mike Murray, Chairperson

Flavia Coughlan, Secretary Treasurer