

IN ATTENDANCE:

BOARD MEMBERS:

Chairperson – Mike Murray
Vice Chairperson – Susan Carr
Trustee – Lisa Beare
Trustee – Korleen Carreras
Trustee – Eleanor Palis
Trustee – Dave Rempel

STAFF:

Superintendent – Sylvia Russell
Secretary Treasurer – Flavia Coughlan
Deputy Superintendent – Laurie Meston
Executive Assistant – Karen Yoxall

ABSENT:

Trustee – Ken Clarkson

A. OPENING PROCEDURES

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. The Chairperson welcomed and thanked everyone for attending. The Chairperson acknowledged that this meeting is taking place on the traditional territory of Katzie First Nation and Kwantlen First Nation.

2. Correspondence

Moved/Seconded

- Frank Lento, Chair, School District No. 5 (Southeast Kootenay)
- Betty Baxter, Chair, School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast)
- Doug Skinner, Chair, School District No. 47 (Powell River)
- Tony Cable, Chair, School District No. 57 (Prince George)
- Edith Loring-Kuhanga, Chair, School District No. 61 (Greater Victoria)
- Steve Rae, Chair, School District No. 68 (Nanaimo Ladysmith)
- Susan Wilson, Chair, School District No. 72 (Campbell River)
- Denise Harper, Chair, School District No. 73 (Kamloops/Thompson)
- Shanna Mason, Assistant Deputy Minister, Capital Division Ministry of Education

THAT the Board receive the correspondence for information.

CARRIED

3. Approval of Agenda

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

4. Invitation for Public Input to matters on the Agenda

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. June 15, 2016

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Minutes of the June 15, 2016 Public Board Meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

C. PRESENTATIONS

1. Design Projects: Westview Secondary School

Moved/Seconded

Teachers Todd Goodman and Ryan Harmon presented on the Industrial Design course at Westview Secondary School. The program started last year and provides students with the opportunity to work in a collaborative and cross-curricular setting.

THAT the Board receive the presentation on Design Projects at Westview Secondary School, for information.

CARRIED

D. DELEGATIONS

1. Community Proposal: Courtney Cardy

Moved/Seconded

Courtney Cardy presented information on the Stave Falls community and requested that the Board consider providing regular student transportation service to students in this area of Mission.

THAT the Board receive the Community Proposal presentation by Courtney Cardy, for information.

CARRIED

E. DEFERRED ITEMS

F. DECISION ITEMS

1. Chairperson
 - a) Proposed Committee Appointment

Moved/Seconded

The Chairperson reported that the City of Maple Ridge has requested trustee representation on the newly formed City of Maple Ridge Active Transportation Advisory Committee.

THAT the Board approve the appointment of Trustee Beare to the City of Maple Ridge Active Transportation Advisory Committee effective immediately.

CARRIED

2. Superintendent of Schools

3. Secretary Treasurer

a) 2016/17 Capital Plan

Moved/Seconded

The Secretary Treasurer reported that on June 28, 2016 the Ministry of Education issued the 2016/17 Capital Plan Instructions which require the submission of capital plans to the Ministry by September 30, 2016.

The Secretary Treasurer reported that the 2016/17 Capital Plan lists projects for the fiscal years 2017/18 to 2021/22. The Secretary Treasurer reviewed submissions for the following capital programs: Seismic Mitigation Program, School Expansion Program, Major Renovation, Building Envelope Program, School Enhancement Program and Carbon Neutral Capital Program.

THAT the Board approve the 2016/17 Capital Plan for submission to the Ministry of Education.

CARRIED

b) 2016/17 School Enhancement Program Additional Submission

Moved/Seconded

The Secretary Treasurer reported that on August 31, 2016 the Ministry of Education issued a second call for projects under the 2016/17 School Enhancement Program. The proposed supplemental submission includes capital projects not funded under the first submission as well as new projects that cannot be funded from the Annual Facilities Grant.

THAT the Board approve the additional 2016/17 School Enhancement Projects for submission to the Ministry of Education.

CARRIED

c) 2016/17 Student Transportation

Moved/Seconded

The Secretary Treasurer reported that on June 15, 2016 the Board approved a one-time funding of \$0.26 million to support a one year pilot of a revised model for regular student transportation. A hardship fund of \$0.02 million was also established. On August 4, 2016 Board approved changes were implemented to ensure a more viable pilot program which included lowering the transportation fees and allowing courtesy riders.

The Secretary Treasurer reported that on August 10, 2016 the Ministry of Education announced a new Student Transportation Fund. In order to be eligible for funding school districts must submit a plan to the Ministry of Education by September 30, 2016 outlining how the funding will be allocated. School District No. 42 is eligible to receive \$185,990 in funding.

The Secretary Treasurer reviewed the Pilot Status as at September 7, 2016 providing information on applications received, bus routes and wait lists.

The Secretary Treasurer and the Superintendent presented the proposed Student Transportation Plan. Waiver of fees for eligible riders, increased efficiency of services, continued work with TransLink, investment in enhanced student services and the budgetary impact were explained.

THAT the Board approve the Student Transportation Plan for submission to the Ministry of Education.

CARRIED (Trustee Beare opposed)

4. Board Committees

- a) Budget
- b) Finance

- i. Audited Financial Statements

Moved/Seconded

The Secretary Treasurer presented the Audited Financial Statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2016. 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, 2016, together with the auditor's report.

Accounting Policies, Operating Fund, Special Purpose Funds, Capital Fund and the Contingency Reserve were explained.

THAT the Board approve the Audited Financial Statements of School District No. 42 (Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows) June 30, 2016.

CARRIED

- c) Board Policy Development
- d) Education Committee
- e) Aboriginal Education

G. INFORMATION ITEMS

- 1. Chairperson
- 2. Superintendent of Schools

- a) Student Reporting Order

Moved/Seconded

The Superintendent reported that the Ministry of Education has issued an amended Student Progress Report Order which requires that Boards of Education adopt one of two possible "schedules". The Superintendent reported that School District No. 42 will adopt "schedule 2". The Superintendent further reported that the district has two reporting committees which will meet to discuss the Student Progress Reporting Order and develop local policy and procedures.

THAT the Board receive for information the Student Reporting Order.

CARRIED

- b) Superintendent's Update

Moved/Seconded

The Superintendent provided an update on school events and activities.

THAT the Board receive the Superintendent's Verbal Update, for information.

CARRIED

- 3. Secretary Treasurer
- 4. Board Committees & Advisory & Advisory Committee Reports
 - a) Finance

- b) Budget
- c) Board Policy Development
 - i. Update on Policies and Procedures

Moved/Seconded

The Secretary Treasurer provided a brief overview on the Board Policy Committee Work Plan for 2016-2017 outlining new policies that are now required and policies that require review.

THAT the Board receive the Board Policy Committee Work Plan 2016-2017, for information.

CARRIED

- d) Education
- e) Aboriginal Education
- f) Inclusive Education
- g) French Immersion Advisory
- h) District Student Advisory
- i) Round Table with Partner Groups
- j) Facilities Planning

H. TRUSTEE MOTIONS AND NOTICES OF MOTIONS

I. TRUSTEE REPORTS

BC School Trustees Association Provincial Council: Motions to Provincial Council

The Chairperson reported that the submission deadline for motions to Provincial Council is September 23, 2016.

Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows Arts Council

Trustee Carreras reported on the Annual General Meeting and upcoming events in the community.

Social Planning Advisory

The Chairperson reported that the community input process on homelessness was discussed.

Tzu Chi Foundation

Trustee Rempel reported on the current lack of funding.

Good News Items

Trustee Carreras reported that there is a traffic calming meeting in Pitt Meadows on October 3rd. Trustee Rempel and the Chairperson reported on donations from Meadow Ridge Rotary Club and the Haney Rotary Club.

J. QUESTION PERIOD

Questions were posed on regular student transportation.

K. OTHER BUSINESS

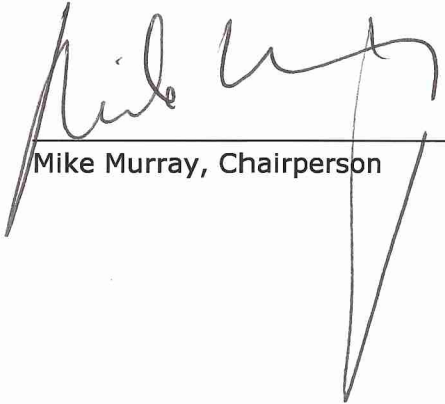
L. ADJOURNMENT

Moved/Seconded

THAT the Board adjourn the meeting.

CARRIED

The Public Board meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.



Mike Murray, Chairperson



Flavia Coughlan, Secretary Treasurer