

PUBLIC MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING Wednesday, September 25, 2013 (6:00 PM) **DEO Board Room**

IN ATTENDANCE:

BOARD MEMBERS:

Board Chairperson – Mike Murray

Vice-Chairperson – Eleanor Palis

Trustee - Ken Clarkson

Trustee - Kathy Marshall

Trustee - Sarah Nelson

· Trustee - Dave Rempel

Superintendent – Jan Unwin

STAFF:

Secretary Treasurer - Flavia Coughlan

Deputy Superintendent - Laurie Meston

Director of Facilities - Rick Delorme

Executive Assistant - Karen Yoxall

ABSENT: Trustee - Susan Carr

Mgr. of Communications/Community Relations - Irena Pochop

A. OPENING PROCEDURES

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

The Chair welcomed and thanked everyone for attending.

Correspondence

Dr. Jeanette Scott, Chair – SD No. 47 (Powell River)

Moved: Trustee Rempel

Seconded: Trustee Clarkson

THAT the Board receive all correspondence for information.

CARRIED

Ordering of Agenda

Moved: Trustee Rempel Seconded: Trustee Clarkson

Trustee Clarkson and Trustee Marshall requested the addition of two motions under Chair Report.

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. September 11, 2013 Public Board Meeting Minutes

Moved: Trustee Rempel Seconded: Trustee Nelson

THAT the Minutes of the September 11, 2013 Public Board Meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

- F. DEFERRED ITEMS
- G. TRUSTEE MOTIONS
- H. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT
 - 1. Decision Items
 - a) Superintendent of Schools
 - b) Deputy Superintendent
 - c) Secretary Treasurer
 - i. Capital Plan

Moved: Trustee Rempel
Seconded: Trustee Clarkson

The Secretary Treasurer reported that on April 10, 2013 the Ministry of Education issued the 2013/14 Capital Plan Instructions. The deadline for 2013/14 Capital Plan submissions to the Ministry is October 1, 2013. In order to ensure that future Capital Plan submissions accurately reflect the priorities and needs of the Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows School District, the Board directed staff to prepare a comprehensive School District Facilities Plan. The anticipated completion of this plan based on the progress to date is December 2013. The Board has two options. The first option is to submit the same five-year capital plan as in 2012/2013. The second option is to submit only projects that the Board is assured will need to be completed the next year and advise the Ministry that a full five-year capital plan will be submitted after the completion of the Strategic Facilities Plan. Staff is recommending the second option.

Rick Delorme, Director of Facilities presented a report from Rocky Point Engineering outlining a mechanical update project at Westview Secondary School. Staff is recommending that a capital funding request for this project be forwarded to the Ministry of Education.

THAT the Board directs the Board Chair to forward a letter on its behalf requesting capital funding for the Westview Secondary School mechanical upgrade project and advising the Minister that the Board's full 2013/2014 Five Year Capital Plan will be submitted to the Ministry of Education after the completion of the School District Strategic Facilities Plan.

CARRIED.

1. Information Items

- a) Superintendent of Schools
- b) Deputy Superintendent
 - i. Preliminary Enrolment Update

Moved: Trustee Rempel Seconded: Trustee Clarkson

J. QUESTION PERIOD

A question was raised about BCeSIS and the introduction of the replacement system.

The Secretary Treasurer was asked to clarify funding protection relative to student enrolment.

K. TRUSTEE REPORTS

BC Schools Trustee Association

Trustee Clarkson reported that the regional Fraser Valley meeting will take place on October 10th to discuss the proposed BCSTA bargaining structure and to bring forward motions for the Provincial Council meeting on October 25th and October 26th.

Joint Parks and Leisure Services

The next meeting of the Joint Parks and Leisure Service is scheduled for Thursday, October 10th.

Ridge Meadows Arts Council

It was reported that the upcoming meetings will involve working on the terms of reference for committees'.

Ridge Meadows Education Foundation

There will be a joint Christmas tree sale on December 14th hosted by the Ridge Meadows Education Foundation and Rotary International.

Tzu Chi Foundation

Bursaries will be disbursed according to the amount of funding received for these awards.

L. OTHER BUSINESS

M. ADJOURNMENT

Moved: Trustee Rempel Seconded: Trustee Clarkson

THAT the meeting of the Board be adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

CARRIED

Mike Murray, Chairperson

Flavia Coughlan, Secretary Treasurer