



School District 19
(Revelstoke)

Revelstoke Board of Education

Regular Board Meeting March 28th, 2012 Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Trustee Chell called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Trustees: Chell, Nicholson, Morrone, Rorstad, and Dubasov
Senior Administration: Superintendent Cooper, Secretary-Treasurer Ross
Principals/Vice Principals: District Principal, Operations & Technology Woodhurst
and: Confidential Secretary Magarian
Guests: Jennifer Wolney, Acting RTA President; and one member of the media
Regrets: District Principal, Support Services Smillie

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

12: R-29 Morrone/Dubasov

“THAT the agenda be approved with the addition of Item 8.4 D) Passing of Keith Denly McCoy and David William Johnson”

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

12: R-30 Nicholson/Rorstad

“THAT the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of February 27th, 2012, be approved as presented.”

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

SPECIAL REPORTS

NEW BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

SUPERINTENDENT COOPER

Administration Report: Superintendent Cooper

Received as information.

Superintendent Cooper reviewed her report highlighting a number of items, including: the “Mathletics” program which will be adopted district wide; Ewan Urquhart a Grade 12

Revelstoke Secondary School who has been very helpful modifying the fire plans; and the development of a transition plan for Mike Hooker as Superintendent Designate.

Chairperson Chell thanked Superintendent Cooper for her service and leadership over the years and reviewed the process used in choosing Mike Hooker as her successor.

Chairperson Chell noted that the performing arts centre would be completed next week and then orientation and training will begin and will include members of the theatre community.

Policy 3.9 School Completion (Evergreen) Certificates

Superintendent Cooper explained the background for the policy. The policy is made in accordance with the School Act and a Ministerial Order and the requirements for an Evergreen Certificate parallel the requirements of a Dogwood Certificate.

12: R-31 Nicholson/Morrone

“THAT the Board of Education circulate Policy 3.9 School Completion (Evergreen) Certificates for feedback in accordance with Board Policy 2.4 District Policy Development and Review.”

CARRIED

Policies 6.6, 6.7, 6.11, 6.13 and 6.14 Revisions

Superintendent Cooper reviewed the changes to the policy noting that the changes were mainly formatting changes and small grammatical corrections. There were no major changes to content or intent.

12: R-32 Nicholson/Rorstad

“THAT the Board of Education approve the changes to Policies: 6.6 Staff Development for Support Staff, 6.7 Discrimination and Harassment, 6.11 Job Descriptions, 6.13 Volunteers and 6.14 Screening of Volunteers.”

CARRIED

SECRETARY-TREASURER ROSS

2012/2013 Annual Facility Grant Funding

Secretary-Treasurer Ross advised that the Annual Facility Grant for 2012/2013 is \$307,415, and that a spending plan will be developed for Trustees' review prior to the submission to the Ministry by the April 30th, 2012 deadline.

2012/2013 Estimated Operating Grants

Secretary-Treasurer Ross presented the 2012/2013 Estimated Operating Grant in the amount of \$9,951,099. This amount is based on an estimated enrolment of 1,017 students. Staff will continue to monitor enrolment to ensure that any reductions will be addressed in the budgeting process.

DISTRICT PRINCIPAL, OPERATIONS & TECHNOLOGY WOODHURST

Capital Projects Update

District Principal of Operations & Technology Woodhurst confirmed that work on the elementary school is proceeding rapidly and is on schedule. It is anticipated that the Early Learning Hub and Gymnastics areas will be completed slightly ahead of the classroom areas. He also noted that Graham is working on the list of deficiencies at Revelstoke Secondary School and that the theatre will be completed within a week. Superintendent Cooper advised that the Revelstoke Secondary School Served is now completed and that Heidi and Mark Kinoshita of Heimark Industries Limited operating as Kino's Snacks have signed the Served Contract and food service will begin on Monday, April 2nd, 2012.

OTHER

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Meeting Summary of March 2nd, 2012 Mountain View Elementary School and Mount Begbie Elementary School Joint PAC Executive Meeting

Chairperson Chell noted that it was an excellent meeting with attendees discussing what they can do to make the transition successful. Superintendent Cooper advised that once Shan Jorgenson-Adam returns to Revelstoke sometime in May, she will participate in the Joint PAC Executive meetings and will assist with planning.

12: R-33 Morrone/Rorstad

“THAT the Meeting Summary of the March 2nd, 2012 Mountain View and Mount Begbie Elementary Schools Joint Parent Advisory Council Executive Meeting be received as presented.”

CARRIED

Finance and Facilities Committee Minutes of March 9th, 2012

Chairperson Chell noted that Trustees and Administrative Staff had just come from a meeting with the City of Revelstoke regarding Surplus Schools, Land Use, Traffic, the Theatre and the Joint Use Agreement. Chairperson Chell also noted that the list of names for the new elementary school has been narrowed down from the 68 names suggested and that further discussions will take place at the Finance and Facilities meeting on April 5th, 2012.

12: R-34 Rorstad/Nicholson

“THAT the Report on Bills Paid for January and February, 2012 in the amount of \$3,414,916.03 be approved.”

CARRIED

12: R-35 Rorstad/Dubasov

“THAT the minutes of the Finance and Facilities Committee meeting of March 9th, 2012 be received as presented.”

CARRIED

Policy Review Committee Meeting of March 12th, 2012

Trustee Nicholson reviewed the minutes and thanked District Principal, Support Services Smillie for her work on the School Completion (Evergreen) Certificate policy.

12: R-36 Nicholson/Morrone

“THAT the minutes of the Policy Review Committee meeting of March 12th, 2012 be received as presented.”

CARRIED

Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee Meeting of March 13th, 2012

Superintendent Cooper reviewed the Minutes advising that work is ongoing on the implementation plan and the committee is seeking greater parental involvement. She thanked the committee for its work at the Carousel of Nations.

12: R-37 Dubasov/Rorstad

“THAT the minutes of the Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee meeting of March 13th, 2012 be received as presented.”

CARRIED

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Okanagan College Advisory Committee Meeting of December 7th, 2011

Trustee Nicholson reviewed the minutes and advised that the Committee meet only a few times a year. He confirmed that the Electrical Pre-Apprentice Program is open to high school students and that the College is continuing to work on an adventure tourism course in partnership with Thompson Rivers University.

12: R-38 Nicholson/Dubasov

“THAT the minutes of the Okanagan College Advisory Committee Meeting of December 7th, 2011 be received and filed.”

CARRIED

British Columbia School Trustee Association Thompson Okanagan Branch Meeting of March 2nd and 3rd, 2012

Trustee Nicholson attended the meeting held in Merritt. He reported that it was a very interesting meeting especially since the Merritt School District population, consisting of a 65% aboriginal student population afforded an opportunity to be welcomed by students with drums and view the House of Honour, a new structure based on a traditional pit house. Trustee Nicholson advised that Merritt just developed an Aboriginal Academy, which is a program for Grade 9 students. The students spend a semester “on the land” learning about their culture and learning traditional skills such as ice fishing, tanning hides etc.

Early Childhood Development Committee Meeting of March 5th, 2012

Chairperson Chell explained how the goal setting process works.

“THAT the minutes of the Early Childhood Development Committee meeting of March 5th, 2012 be received and filed.”

CARRIED

Passing of Keith Denly McCoy and David William Johnson

Trustee Nicholson spoke of the passing of Keith McCoy, who was the Vice Principal at Revelstoke Secondary School for many years. Trustees will send condolences to the family.

Chairperson Chell spoke of the passing of David Johnson and noted that Superintendent Cooper worked closely with David Johnson in his capacity as Chairman of Revelstoke Community Energy Corporation and his passing is a tremendous loss to the community. Trustees will send their condolences to the family.

CORRESPONDENCE

Invitation from Revelstoke Army Cadets inviting Trustees to attend the Annual Ceremonial Review being held at the Revelstoke Community Centre on Sunday, June 3rd, 2012 at 2:00 pm. Trustees were advised to let Confidential Secretary Magarian know if they will be able to attend the Ceremonial Review.

Letter from Minister of Education George Abbott regarding a pilot project to assess the requirements of districts for a shared Integrated Business Administration System.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m. on the motion of Trustee Dubasov.

CLOSED BOARD ITEMS

- Teacher Bargaining Update
- Student Suspensions – February, 2012

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer

DATED: March 28th, 2012