



**School District 19**  
(Revelstoke)

## **Revelstoke Board of Education**

### **Regular Board Meeting April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2013 Minutes**

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#### **CALL TO ORDER**

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

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Trustees: Chell, Nicholson, Morrone, and Rorstad

Senior Administration: Superintendent Hooker, Associate Superintendent Cooper, Secretary-Treasurer Ross, and Director of Operations & Technology Woodhurst

and: Confidential Secretary Magarian

Principals: Todd Hicks, Principal Arrow Heights Elementary School

Guests: Jennifer Wolney, RTA President

Regrets: Trustee Dubasov

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

13: R-36 Morrone/Rorstad

"THAT the agenda be approved as presented"

CARRIED

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

13: R-37 Nicholson/Morrone

"THAT the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2013, be approved as presented."

CARRIED

#### **DELEGATIONS**

#### **SPECIAL REPORTS**

##### Arrow Heights Elementary School Annual Report

Arrow Heights Elementary School Principal Todd Hicks presented the 2012-2013 Arrow Heights Elementary School Annual Report to the Board. Using a power point presentation, he noted that the cornerstone of the school is the Code of Conduct – Cooperation Achievement Respect Enthusiasm Safety (CARES). He reported on some of the new initiatives at the school such as "The Great Number

Rumble”, “Family Numeracy Evening” and “Battle of the Books”. Principal Hicks then highlighted some of the social development activities involving student participation such as designing a t-shirt for Anti-Bullying Pink Shirt day and AHE Connects, which involves partnering up with other students in the school on Friday afternoons for various activities. Students also raise funds for Trees for Tots, Stones into School, Rick Hansen Foundation and Good Samaritan Shoe boxes.

Principal Hicks presented data that he and the staff are using to monitor success at the school. He thanked teachers, support staff, parents, Parent Advisory Council and the many community partners for their hard work in creating a positive learning environment for students. He added a special thanks to the Revelstoke Credit Union and RCU Insurance for the speed boards set up along Nichol Road.

Trustees thanked Principal Hicks for a comprehensive report and commended the joint effort between the school and the community. Trustee Nicholson commented that the data presented by Principal Hicks was fascinating and he is impressed with the many good programs at the school.

Superintendent Hooker acknowledged the work being done at the school by teachers and support staff.

Trustee Chell on behalf of the board offered his congratulations to Principal Hicks, the students, staff and parents at Arrow Heights Elementary School for creating such a welcoming school.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **ADMINISTRATION REPORTS**

#### **SUPERINTENDENT HOOKER**

##### Administration Report: Superintendent Hooker

Received as information.

Superintendent Hooker reviewed his Administration Report highlighting the upcoming Grade 7 year-end trips, the budget meeting process and plans for the annual facilities grant. He also brought to trustees attention that April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013 is the Day of Mourning and that the Revelstoke Teachers’ Association is organizing a ceremony, which will take place on Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2013 from 12:15 to 12:30 pm at the Workers’ Memorial (Inukshuk) on the Greenbelt.

##### Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement Annual Report

Superintendent Hooker presented the Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement Annual Report for 2012-2013. He reviewed the mission statement and the four goals which are: to increase aboriginal students’ knowledge and pride of their heritage and language; increase every students’ awareness of the culture and heritage of Aboriginal peoples; increase the academic success of Aboriginal students with increased literacy, numeracy and technological competencies; and increase aboriginal students’ successful completion of their secondary education. He reported on the outcomes of the strategies used to support each of the goals noting that most of the students have now identified their heritage. He also reported on the many activities at elementary and secondary schools and reviewed the performance indicators/evidence data. Superintendent Hooker expressed his thanks to Committee members especially Chairperson Margaret Verhaeghe. He also thanked Lynne Barisoff, Supervisor of Aboriginal Student Services, Lisa Moore, Aboriginal Student Assistant and Lissa

Cancilla-Sykes, Aboriginal Support Class Teacher, for their work with aboriginal students and for their contributions to the report.

Trustees noted the hard work of the committee and that pride and cultural awareness is vitally important to student achievement.

13: R-38      Morrone/Nicholson

“THAT Board of Education send Chairperson Margaret Verhaeghe a letter of thanks and appreciation for her work on the Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee over the past 16 years.”

CARRIED

Revelstoke Secondary School Out of Town Trip, Ono Cho, Japan

13: R-39      Nicholson/Morrone

“THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education approve, in principle, a trip to Ono Cho, Japan in April, 2014.”

CARRIED

## **SECRETARY-TREASURER ROSS**

### **ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT COOPER**

#### **Disposition of Surplus Schools Update**

Received as information.

Associate Superintendent Cooper provided an update on the disposition of surplus schools noting that it is anticipated the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of the rezoning application by City Council is expected to take place by the end of April. There will be a public information meeting held on May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2013, which Associate Superintendent Cooper and Director of Operations & Technology Woodhurst will attend.

## **OTHER**

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

District Parent Advisory Council Minutes of April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2013

13: R-40      Rorstad/Morrone

“THAT the minutes of the District Parent Advisory Council meeting of April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2013 be received as presented.”

CARRIED

Finance and Facilities Committee Minutes of April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2013

13: R- 41      Rorstad/Morrone

“THAT the minutes of the Finance and Facilities Committee meeting of April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2013 be received as presented.”

CARRIED

Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee Meeting of April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013

13: R-42      Morrone/Rorstad

“THAT the minutes of the Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee meeting of April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013 be received as presented.”

CARRIED

**TRUSTEE REPORTS**

Early Childhood Development Committee Meeting of March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013

13: R-43      Nicholson/Rorstad

“THAT the minutes of the Early Childhood Development Committee meeting of March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013 be received and filed.”

CARRIED

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Letter from the Minister of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development regarding the commemorative stained glass window installed in the House of Commons to commemorate the legacy of Indian residential schools.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m. on the motion of Trustee Rorstad.

**CLOSED BOARD ITEMS**

- Revelstoke Teachers' Association Bargaining Update
- Okanagan Labour Relations Council Update
- District Principal, Student Support Services Update
- Student Suspensions – March 2013

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Chair

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Secretary-Treasurer

DATED: April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2013