



School District 19
(Revelstoke)

Revelstoke Board of Education

Regular Board Meeting June 26th, 2013 Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

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

ATTENDANCE

Trustees: Nicholson, Morrone, Rorstad, and Dubasov

Senior Administration: Superintendent Hooker, Associate Superintendent Cooper, and Secretary-Treasurer Ross

and: Confidential Secretary Magarian

Guests: Jennifer Wolney, RTA President; and two members of the media

Regrets: Trustee Chell and Director of Operations & Technology Woodhurst

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

13: R-59 Rorstad/Dubasov

"THAT the agenda be approved as presented"

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

13: R-60 Rorstad/Dubasov

"THAT the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of May 29th, 2013, be approved as presented."

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

Jennifer Wolney, President of the Revelstoke Teachers' Association, spoke to the letter addressed to the Board from the Revelstoke Teachers' Association dated June 11th, 2013. Ms. Wolney expressed the concerns of the Revelstoke Teachers' Association with the provincial government's desire to negotiate a 10 year Collective Agreement as well as concerns over recent government action with respect to the bargaining process. On behalf of the Revelstoke Teachers' Association, Ms. Wolney requested that the board pass a motion to send a letter to the Minister of Education asking him to reconsider the proposed 10 year Collective Agreement. Trustees thanked RTA President Wolney for her presentation.

NEW BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

SUPERINTENDENT HOOKER

Administration Report: Superintendent Hooker

Received as information.

Superintendent Hooker provided his Administration Report highlighting the Love is Louder event held at Revelstoke Secondary School noting that it was a very powerful event and ties in with the district's commitment to providing a safe, caring, learning environment for students. The Grade 6 and 7 elementary students in our district have now viewed a slide show of the event which was prepared by Revelstoke Secondary School students. Superintendent Hooker acknowledged the retiring district staff thanking them for their years of service to students. He noted that the district's retirement tea honouring the retirees was held on Monday, June 24th. He thanked the media for introducing Dr. Yanping Wang, the new principal of Begbie View Elementary School, to the community adding that she will be in Revelstoke next week and a lunch with the Begbie View Elementary School parent group is planned. Superintendent Hooker advised that two days of CUPE bargaining took place earlier this month and that Harry Nott, CUPE National Representative, attended the bargaining sessions and was very impressed with the relationship that exists between CUPE and the district.

2013/2014 Achievement Contract

Superintendent Hooker presented the 2013/2014 Achievement Contract. He noted that the Contract is a working document and is used throughout the year. He reviewed the 3 goals in the contract which are: "To Increase Student's Reading Achievement", "To Increase the Number of Students Graduating and Completing School", and "To Support Students' Health and Well-Being". He advised that areas that targets were not met will be of focus early in the 2013/2014 school year. He also advised that in the 2013/2014 school year there will be an emphasis on enhancing the social and emotional well-being of students including a new objective to increase the number of adults that middle and secondary students feel connected with at school.

13: R-61 Dubasov/Rorstad

"THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education approve the 2013/2014 District Achievement Contract and forward it to the Minister of Education in accordance with the School Act."

CARRIED

French Language Work Plan 2013/2014

Superintendent Hooker reviewed the French Language Work Plan 2013/2014. He noted that one of the first tasks is to establish an Ad-Hoc French Language Advisory Committee. The initial committee members will be a trustee, administrator and a representative of the Revelstoke Teachers' Association. The initial committee members will meet and determine further membership.

13: R-62 Nicholson/Rorstad

"THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education establish an Ad-Hoc French Language Advisory Committee as outlined in the French Language Work Plan 2013/2014."

CARRIED

Revelstoke Secondary School Trip Out of Town Trip, San Francisco, California

Superintendent Hooker reviewed the trip that is in the initial planning stages for Revelstoke Secondary School senior band students to travel to San Francisco, California in the spring of 2014.

13: R-63 Dubasov/Nicholson

“THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 19 (Revelstoke) approve the Revelstoke Secondary School Band Trip to San Francisco, California in the spring of 2014 subject to Policy 7.4 as well as subject to all participants having passports, medical and travel insurance.”

CARRIED

SECRETARY-TREASURER ROSS

ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT COOPER

Disposition of Surplus Schools Update

Received as information.

Associate Superintendent Cooper noted that this is her last school board meeting adding that it has been her sincere pleasure to serve the school district and trustees.

Associate Superintendent Cooper then reviewed the current status of the Surplus School sites noting that the Big Eddy Elementary School site rezoning and subdivision plans are being submitted concurrently. She added that she has received several inquiries from parties interested in purchasing lots once the rezoning and subdivision are complete. Associate Superintendent Cooper proceeded to review highlights of the Mountain View Elementary School site information meeting held on June 11th, 2013 attended by approximately 20 people.

Associate Superintendent Cooper advised Trustees that on Saturday, June 22nd, 2013 she attended the funeral of Doug Hibbins, Project Director for Revelstoke Secondary and Begbie View Elementary Schools. She added that Doug's passing is a great loss to the province and our district as he worked extremely hard to ensure that Revelstoke's children received the best possible educational facilities.

OTHER

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee Meeting of June 4th, 2013

13: R-64 Dubasov/Nicholson

“THAT the minutes of the Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee meeting of June 4th, 2013 be received as presented.”

CARRIED

District Parent Advisory Council Minutes of June 5th, 2013

13: R-65 Nicholson/Dubasov

“THAT the minutes of the District Parent Advisory Council meeting of June 5th, 2013 be received as presented.”

CARRIED

TRUSTEE REPORTS

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Revelstoke Teachers' Association dated June 11th, 2013

Letter from Ministry of Education, Aboriginal Education Learning Division dated June 11th, 2013

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Morrone on behalf of the Board thanked Associate Superintendent Cooper for her professionalism, guidance and work with children during her tenure as Superintendent and Associate Superintendent.

The meeting adjourned at 5:55 pm on the motion of Trustee Nicholson.

CLOSED BOARD ITEMS

- Provincial Bargaining Update from British Columbia Public School Employers' Association
- CUPE Bargaining Update
- Memorandum of Settlement – Class Size Grievances 2010/2011 School Year
- Student Suspensions – May 2013

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer

DATED: June 26th, 2013