



School District 19
(Revelstoke)

Revelstoke Board of Education

Regular Board Meeting October 2nd, 2013 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 Hooker, Secretary-Treasurer Ross, and Director of Operations & Technology Woodhurst

and: Confidential Secretary Magarian

Guests: Jennifer Wolney, RTA President; and one member of the media

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

13: R-70 Dubasov/Rorstad

“THAT the agenda be approved as presented”

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

13: R-72 Nicholson/Dubasov

“THAT the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of September 11th, 2013, be approved as presented.”

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

SPECIAL REPORTS

Revelstoke Community/District Literacy Plan June 2013 Update

Tracy Spanner, Literacy Outreach Coordinator, presented the Revelstoke Community/District Literacy Plan June 2013 Update. She reviewed the Literacy Plan Development Process noting that this year the Plan underwent a revision to the following sections: Community Context, Community Development Literacy Collaboration, Reflection on the 2012-2013 Plan, Planning for the 2013-2014 Year, and Goals and Action for 2013-2014. The goals for 2013-2014 are to sustain and strengthen existing programs and resources, provide resources and support for learners who may not be engaged in literacy activities, and embed learning and literacy activities in community settings. Tracy highlighted a new section on “Moving Forward – Priority Actions for 2013-2014” and brought Trustees attention to Appendix III, which is a list of the numerous Literacy Resources and Services in Revelstoke. She also provided Trustees with a handout from Decoda Literacy Solutions titled “Literacy in Columbia River-Revelstoke”. The handout provided statistics on numbers of community members that participated in

community literacy events. She also reminded Trustees that October 9th, 2013 is *Reach a Reader Day*. Trustees and Superintendent Hooker thanked Tracy Spannier for her work and the partnership between the school district and the Revelstoke Literacy Action Committee.

Early Development Instrument Community Summary for Revelstoke

Tracy Spannier, Early Childhood Development Coordinator, presented the Early Development Instrument (EDI) Community Summary for Revelstoke and supplemented the written report with a slide presentation. It was noted that this report is based on data collected in 2011/2012 and 2012/2013, which is the 5th wave of the EDI. The EDI is used to measure developmental change in populations of children and surveys five areas; communication skills, physical health and well being, social competence, emotional maturity and language and cognitive development. The results of the 5th wave of the EDI indicate that Revelstoke, with a vulnerability rate of 11%, has the lowest rate in the province. Superintendent Hooker thanked Tracy Spannier for sharing the Community/District Literacy Plan and the EDI with Trustees.

NEW BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

SUPERINTENDENT HOOKER

Administration Report: Superintendent Hooker

Received as information.

Superintendent Hooker reviewed his Administration Report noting that Vivian Binnington will be retiring from the district on December 31st, 2013 after 32 years with the district. He highlighted the student lunch hosted at Revelstoke Secondary School by the Community Connections Family Services Team, the conference call with British Columbia Public School Employers' Association regarding CUPE bargaining and the district enrolment numbers for the 2013/14 year.

Learning Improvement Fund Expenditures

Superintendent Hooker reviewed the Learning Improvement Fund Spending Plan and the process of developing the plan, noting the collaboration with Revelstoke Teachers' Association President Jennifer Wolney and CUPE President Clara Maltby.

13: R-72 Morrone/Nicholson

"THAT the Board of Education approve the 2013/2014 Learning Improvement Fund allocations in the amount of \$125,887".

CARRIED

Revelstoke Secondary School Trip – Ono Cho Japan

Superintendent Hooker reviewed the trip details as Trustees had approved the trip in principle at the April 17th, 2013 school board meeting.

13: R-73 Nicholson/Rorstad

"THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education approve a group of Revelstoke Secondary School students to participate in a school trip to Ono Cho, Japan from April 15th, 2014 to April 23rd, 2014 subject to Policy 7.4 as well as subject to all participants having medical and travel insurance."

CARRIED

Revelstoke Performing Arts Centre Update on Serving Alcohol at Theatre Events

Superintendent Hooker reviewed the Revelstoke Performing Arts Centre Update on Serving Alcohol at Theatre Events noting that the conditions set out will be reviewed and assessed following the trial period. At present there will be four events at the theatre at which alcohol may be served. Superintendent Hooker confirmed that he reviewed our plans with the Schools Protections Branch. He advised that Arts Council has noted that the service of alcohol is not likely to raise funds rather; it is considered a part of the theatre experience. Superintendent Hooker further noted that the concession area approved for the trial basis is in the drama space adjacent to the theatre, which provides for full separation from any school events.

13: R-74 Dubasov/Nicholson

"THAT the Board of Education approve the service of alcohol in the Revelstoke Performing Arts Centre on a trial basis only, subject to the conditions approved by the Superintendent."

CARRIED

SECRETARY-TREASURER ROSS

2012/2013 Audited Financial Statements

Secretary-Treasurer Ross reviewed the 2012/2013 Audited Financial Statements noting that a new process was implemented by the government, which required a great deal more work and the restatement of the 2011/2013 and 2012/2013 budgets. Trustees thanked Secretary-Treasurer Ross for her work noting that there were a lot of complications to the financial statements due to changes in accounting standards. Superintendent Hooker thanked Secretary-Treasurer Ross for her work adding and expressed appreciation for her attention to detail.

13: R-75 Rorstad/Morrone

"THAT the Board of Education approve the 2012/13 Audited Financial Statements as presented."

CARRIED

OTHER

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance and Facilities Committee Minutes of September 23rd, 2013

13: R-76 Rorstad/Morrone

"THAT the minutes of the Finance and Facilities Committee meeting of September 23rd, 2013 be received as presented."

CARRIED

French Language Advisory Committee Meeting of September 24th, 2013

Superintendent Hooker reviewed the minutes.

13: R-77 Nicholson/Dubasov

“THAT the minutes of the French Language Advisory Committee meeting of September 24th, 2013 be received as presented.”

CARRIED

Finance and Facilities Committee Minutes of September 26th, 2013

13: R-78 Rorstad/Dubasov

“THAT the Report on Bills Paid for April, 2013 to August, 2013 in the amount of \$5,651,346.83 be approved.”

CARRIED

13: R-79 Rorstad/Nicholson

“THAT the minutes of the Finance and Facilities Committee meeting of September 26th, 2013 be received as presented.”

CARRIED

TRUSTEE REPORTS

Early Childhood Development Committee Meeting of September 16th, 2013

Received as information.

CORRESPONDENCE

Revelstoke Champions for Literacy Celebrated – News Release dated September 8th, 2013.

Trustee Chell on behalf of the Board congratulated retired Superintendent Cooper and the other honourees for their work in supporting literacy in our community.

ADJOURNMENT

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

CLOSED BOARD ITEMS

- Provincial Bargaining Update - CUPE
- Provincial Bargaining Update - Teachers
- 2012/2013 Audit Process

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer

DATED: October 2nd, 2013