

Regular Board Meeting October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Minutes

# CALL TO ORDER

Trustee MacFarlane called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We respectfully honour and acknowledge Aboriginal peoples, recognizing that our students come to us with Aboriginal ancestry from a variety of ancient homelands. We acknowledge and recognize the Métis people as one of Canada's distinct peoples. We would like to acknowledge and honour the four nations on whose traditional land we live and learn: the Sinixt, the Ktunaxa, the Secwepmec, and the Syilx.

# ATTENDANCE

Trustees:	MacFarlane, Chell, Nicholson, Rorstad, and Savage
Senior Administration:	Superintendent Hooker and Secretary Treasurer Tisdale
and:	Administrative Secretary Magarian
Guests:	Bob Rogers, RTA President; 2 RTA members, and 1 member of the media

## APPROVAL OF AGENDA

16: R-81 Rorstad/Savage

"THAT the agenda be approved as presented"

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

## 16: R-82 Rorstad/Nicholson

"THAT the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016, be approved as presented."

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## DELEGATIONS

## SPECIAL REPORTS

### **NEW BUSINESS**

### **ADMINISTRATION REPORTS**

### SUPERINTENDENT HOOKER

#### Administration Report: Superintendent Hooker

Received as information.

Superintendent Hooker provided an update of the recent R.C.M.P. manhunt thanking Staff Sergeant Grabinsky of the Revelstoke RCMP detachment for providing timely information regarding the incident to ensure the safety of our students. He then proceeded to provide his Administration Report highlighting his meeting with Alan Mason, Director of Community and Economic Development, regarding the BC Tech Summit adding that the City has now received a \$100,000 grant from the provincial government towards the implementation of the City's technology strategy. Superintendent Hooker will be meeting with Alan Mason, Kevin Dorrius, Manager of Community Futures Revelstoke to plan for a Revelstoke mini technology summit leading up to the 2017 BC Tech Summit. He further noted the demolition of Mount Begbie Elementary School is proceeding as planned and that Clearview Demolition is committed to a 95% recycling rate.

#### Policy 7.1 School/Student Behaviour Expectations

Superintendent Hooker provided trustees with background information noting that although the district has a sexual orientation and gender identity policy, the Ministry of Education has ordered that sexual orientation and gender identity be specifically referred to in school Codes of Conduct and has provided the specific wording to be included.

#### 16: R-83 Chell/Nicholson

"THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education circulate Policy 7.1 School/Student Behaviour Expectations."

#### CARRIED

#### 2016/2017 Learning Improvement Fund Report

Superintendent Hooker presented the 2016/2017 Learning Improvement Fund Report. He briefly reviewed the processes and the historical non-enrolling chart as well as the allocation plan. He noted that funding is slightly up from last year and that now students have been assessed, he is working with CUPE on allocating additional Educational Assistant time.

#### 16: R-84 Savage/Nicholson

"THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education approve the 2016/2017 Learning Improvement Fund allocations in the amount of \$205,163."

CARRIED

#### 2016/2017 Report on the Organization of Classes

Superintendent Hooker presented the 2016/2017 Report on the Organization of Classes. He provided trustees with background information noting that the Ministry of Education requires that the report be submitted. He advised that although some class sizes are slightly larger than

anticipated, as a number of new students registered the last week of August first week of September, overall organizations are well within our expectations. He also drew trustees attention to the number of Grade 12 students taking more than a full course load, explaining that this is due in part to off-timetable courses and apprenticeship opportunities.

### SECRETARY TREASURER TISDALE

### School Enhancement Program (SEP)

Secretary Treasurer Tisdale provided a verbal update to the School Enhancement Program adding that he was hoping that the Ministry would have made an announcement regarding this funding. It is anticipated that an announcement will be made in the next week. In anticipation of a funding announcement, district staff are updating the district's capital projects plan as any announcement will have a short turnaround.

<u>Capital Project Update – Arrow Heights Elementary School Heating and Ventilation and Air</u> <u>Conditioning System (HVAC)</u>

Secretary Treasurer Tisdale provided an update on the Arrow Heights Elementary School HVAC system noting that the project is 80% complete. He added that the project is moving along despite a delay due to additional asbestos removal. He thanked the staff at Arrow Heights Elementary School for being so accommodating during the renovation process.

### <u>OTHER</u>

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

## Education Advisory Committee Minutes of September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Trustee MacFarlane reviewed the minutes highlighting the new Communicating Student Learning Committee and the Committee's plans for presentations to the public.

#### 16: R-85 Nicholson/Rorstad

"THAT the minutes of the Education Advisory Committee meeting of September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016 be received as presented."

#### TRUSTEE REPORTS

#### CARRIED

British Columbia School Trustee Association Thompson Okanagan Branch Meeting in Ashcroft held September 30<sup>th</sup> – October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016

Trustee Nicholson provided a report on the meeting highlighting the Education Committee's discussions regarding youth mental health and student success and the workshop on First Nations hoop dancing. He also described a presentation by the host district, Gold Trail, on governance led by an expert, they clearly delineated the main roles and responsibilities of the Board (planning and policies) and the Superintendent (implementation of plans and management of staff and operations). The result was a much more efficient and productive organization.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

#### PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

# **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 4:58 p.m. on the motion of Trustee CHell.

# **CLOSED BOARD ITEMS**

- Exempt Staff Compensation
- BC Public School Employer's Association (BCPSEA) Update

Chair

Secretary Treasurer

DATED: October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016