

Regular Board Meeting February 15th, 2017 Minutes

RESUMPTION OF MEETING

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

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We would like to acknowledge the nations on whose traditional territory we are gathering: the Sinixt, the Ktunaxa, the Secweperc, and the Syilx.

ATTENDANCE

Trustees:	MacFarlane, Chell, Nicholson, and Rorstad
Senior Administration:	Superintendent Hooker and Secretary Treasurers Tisdale and Jummun
and:	Administrative Secretary Magarian
Guests:	Jason Stevens, RTA Vice-President; and one member of the media

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

17: R-05 Rorstad/Nicholson

"THAT the agenda be approved as presented"

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

17: R-06 Chell/Rorstad

"THAT the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of January 18th, 2017, be approved as presented."

DELEGATIONS

CARRIED

CARRIED

SPECIAL REPORTS

NEW BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

SUPERINTENDENT HOOKER

Administration Report: Superintendent Hooker

Received as information. Superintendent Hooker highlighted his meeting with Garry Pendergast of the Revelstoke Arts Council noting that Miriam Manley the current Theatre Manager will be taking over from Mr. Pendergast upon his retirement. A replacement for Ms.

Manley has been hired and is being trained in the position. He also noted the Technology Strategy meeting he attended as preparations are being made for the Tech Summit taking place on February 21st, 2017. Superintendent Hooker advised that teacher support is now in place as agreed to in the Memorandum of Agreement made between the Ministry and the BC Teachers Federation. He brought trustees attention to the resignation of Stephanie Melnyk the long time ScreenSmart Coordinator.

17: R-07 Chell/Nicholson

"THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education send a letter of thanks to Stephanie Melnyk for her contribution as the Coordinator of the ScreenSmart program."

CARRIED

Begbie View Elementary School and Columbia Park Elementary School 2016/2017 School Growth Plans

Superintendent Hooker presented the growth plans for Begbie View Elementary School and Columbia Park Elementary School. He reminded trustees that the plans form the basis of the schools' annual reports to the board and that school principals will review the plans in greater detail when they present their annual reports.

17: R-08 Rorstad/Nicholson

"THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education receive and file the Begbie View Elementary School and Columbia Park Elementary School 2016/2017 School Growth Plans."

Policy 4.7 Facilities

Superintendent Hooker presented the policy noting that the revisions were made to articulate the value of the priority use of district facilities for Early Learning programs and services.

17: R-09 Nicholson/Chell

"THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education approve Policy 4.7 Facilities."

CARRIED

CARRIED

Policy 3.5 Student Support Services

Superintendent Hooker presented the policy noting significant changes were made to the policy to more accurately reflect district practices and the redesigned curriculum.

17: R-10 Chell/Nicholson

"THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education circulate Policy 3.5 Student Support Services."

CARRIED

Policy 3.6 Aboriginal Education Vision and Goals

Superintendent Hooker presented the policy noting that it was revised due to the new Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement which was signed in May of 2016.

17: R-11 Chell/Rorstad

"THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education circulate Policy 3.6 Aboriginal Education Vision and Goals."

CARRIED

CARRIED

Revelstoke Secondary School Trip - Ono Cho

Superintendent Hooker presented the final approval request. Trustees noted that the trip is a fantastic experience for both the adult chaperones and the students.

17: R-12 Chell/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 March 18th to 25th, 2017 subject to Policy 7.4 as well as subject to all participants having medical and travel insurance."

Rural Education Feedback for Discussion

Superintendent Hooker reviewed the background information on the request for feedback from the Ministry which was discussed at the January 18th, 2017 board meeting. Superintendent Hooker and Trustee MacFarlane met twice to discuss the submission. Trustees then reviewed the document. Trustee Nicholson suggested that something should be added regarding geography and the distances to the nearest schools and that something should be added regarding funding for special learning opportunities such as enhanced French. Trustee Chell noted that at the Regional Open House in Prince George over 100 people were in attendance and a recurring item has been the recruitment and retention of staff in rural areas. Superintendent Hooker will invite other groups to attend the open house being held in the Macpherson Room of Revelstoke Secondary School on March 10th, 2017 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm.

17: R-13 Chell/Nicholson

"THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education approve the district's Rural Education Feedback with additions for submission to the Ministry of Education."

CARRIED

SECRETARY TREASURERS TISDALE AND JUMMUN

2016/2017 Amended Annual Budget

Secretary Treasurer Tisdale reminded trustees that any changes to the budget due to provincial funding announcements have been discussed with trustees at previous board meetings. He noted that the revenue in the district's budget has gone up due to additional students and the recent additional funding announcements. The increase in revenue was offset by additional staff in anticipation of the student based increased funding. The amendments were reviewed in detail at a Finance and Facilities meeting previously, and accurately reflect necessary revenue and expenses adjustments.

17: R-14 Rorstad/Chell

"THAT the Board of Education give first, second and third reading and adoption to the attached the 2016/2017 Amended Annual Budget Bylaw in the amount of \$14,185,412."

CARRIED

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Policy Review Committee Minutes of January 23rd, 2017

Trustee MacFarlane noted that the Committee is reviewing a number of policies.

17: R-15 Rorstad/Nicholson

"THAT the minutes of the Policy Review Committee meeting of January 23rd, 2017 be received as presented."

CARRIED

Education Advisory Committee Minutes of January 24th, 2017

Trustee MacFarlane reviewed the minutes noting that the goals of the committee reviewed and that student input continues to be of great value to the Committee.

17: R-16 Chell/Nicholson

"THAT the minutes of the Education Advisory Committee meeting of January 23rd, 2017 be received as presented."

CARRIED

Communicating Student Learning Advisory Committee Minutes of January 30th, 2017

Superintendent Hooker presented the Minutes noting that the work of this committee dovetails with work of Education Committee. Both Committees are gathering information and providing opportunities for dialogue at a variety of venues and levels.

17: R-17 Chell/Nicholson

"THAT the minutes of the Communicating Student Learning Advisory Committee meeting of January 30th, 2017 be received as presented."

CARRIED

District Parent Advisory Council Minutes of February 1st, 2017

Trustee Rorstad presented the minutes noting that DPAC meetings will now go paperless.

17: R-18 Rorstad/Chell

"THAT the minutes of the District Parent Advisory Council meeting of February 1st, 2017 be received as presented."

CARRIED

Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee Minutes of February 2nd, 2017

Superintendent Hooker presented the Minutes noting that Ariel McDowell, District Principal, Aboriginal Education is ensuring that time is allocated at each meeting to review the goals of the Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement.

17: R-19 Nicholson/Rorstad

"THAT the minutes of the Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee meeting of February 2nd, 2017 be received as presented."

TRUSTEE REPORTS

CARRIED

Early Childhood Development Committee Meeting of January 16th, 2017

Trustee Chell reviewed the minutes highlighting the Kindergarten transition project to expand Kindergarten orientation.

British Columbia Public School Employers' Association (BCPSEA) Annual General Meeting of January 27th, 2017

Trustee MacFarlane attended the meeting noting discussions regarding the Supreme Court decision and that BCPSEA is preparing for the next round of teacher bargaining.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from the Ministry of Finance in response to the Revelstoke Board of Education's letter of November 9th, 2017 regarding the funding of Principal and Vice-Principal compensation improvements.

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

Trustee MacFarlane invited members of the audience to ask questions related to items on the agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:41 p.m. on the motion of Trustee Rorstad.

CLOSED BOARD ITEMS

- Exempt Staff Compensation
- Student Suspensions January 2017

Chair

Secretary Treasurer

DATED: February 15th, 2017