

Revelstoke Board of Education

Regular Board Meeting at Revelstoke Secondary School May 30th, 2018 Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Trustee MacFarlane called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

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

ATTENDANCE

Trustees:	MacFarlane, Chell, Nicholson, Rorstad and Richardson
Senior Administration:	Secretary Treasurer Jummun, Bruce Tisdale
Principals:	Michael Haworth, District Vice-Principal Technology, Greg Kenyon, Principal of Revelstoke Secondary School and Jodi Wallach, Vice-Principal of Revelstoke Secondary School
Guests:	Bob Rogers, RTA President; 2 Revelstoke Secondary School students, and 1 member of the media
Regrets:	Superintendent Hooker, Administrative Secretary Magarian

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

18: R-42 Nicholson/Chell

"THAT the agenda be approved as presented."

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

18: R-43 Chell/Nicholson

"THAT the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of May 9th, 2018, be approved as presented."

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

SPECIAL REPORTS

Revelstoke Secondary School 2017/2018 Annual Report to the Board

Principal Greg Kenyon thanked everyone for attending the meeting and specifically thanked Alana Brittin and Kale Blakely, two grade 12 students for their willingness to provide student input throughout the presentation. Principal Kenyon began the multimedia presentation with a video that highlighted the start of the school year and the range of student learning and other activities the students are involved in. He reviewed the Student Learning Survey Results for Overall

Achievement and Overall Work Ethic noting there have been positive improvements in both areas and that there is a high percentage of students that feel connected to two or more adults at school. Vice Principal Wallach explained an activity that took place where students were asked to write positive statements about each teacher at the school. The end result covered an entire wall. Some of the other activities that focused on student health and well-being included a presentation by Ivan Coyote on sexual orientation and gender identity, the health and wellness fair and the very successful breakfast club. Principal Kenyon also highlighted some of the other programs and projects underway at Revelstoke Secondary School such as the Terry Fox Run, Orange Shirt Day, Pink Shirt Day, OPT Clinic, and the Health Clinic with local doctors and a health nurse that supports the holistic wellness of students.

The wide range of athletic activities that a large number of students are involved in was highlighted with Alana and Kale noting the support of teachers and staff.

Alana and Kale explained the graduation transitions program that all Grade 12 students must complete and how helpful this is in aiding students in building their confidence as they transition from Grade 12 into post-secondary school and/or work and a career. The Math Department is currently working on developing learning opportunities for students around the revised curriculum core competencies and have been frequent users of the mobile technology available at the school. Students were appreciative of a teacher working with them during their spare blocks in order to make it possible for students that required Physics 12 for post-secondary school to complete the course.

The RSS Career Program has grown over the past three years and provides a number of options for exploring career pathways. A new Skills and Trade Exploration (STX) program was created that allows exposure to four different apprenticeship trades including carpentry, electrical, automotive, and plumbing. There are plans for the 2018/2019 school year to have a trades sampler course which will extend student learning options for these fields.

Principal Kenyon noted the extensive work done by the art, drama, and music departments as well as preparations done by each department to understand and prepare for the revised curriculum.

Trustees thanked the presenters for the work being done at Revelstoke Secondary School noting the high levels of collaboration between departments and the focus on student health and wellness. Trustees added their appreciation for the positive learning environment that the staff and students have created and the unique ways they have developed to offer programs and services comparable to those of a large school.

NEW BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

SUPERINTENDENT HOOKER

Administration Report: Superintendent Hooker

Received as information. Acting Secretary Treasurer Tisdale explained that any questions on the Administration Report will be recorded and passed on to Superintendent Hooker. There were no questions.

Middle Years Development Instrument Results for Grades 4 and 7 in 2017

Received as information. Acting Secretary Treasurer Tisdale explained that any questions will be recorded and passed on to Superintendent Hooker. It was noted that this report is a synopsis, and if any trustee wishes the complete report, it will be provided to them. Trustee Chell explained that the UBC Human Early Learning Partnership began with the Early Childhood Development Instrument (EDI), which led to the Middle Years Development Instrument (MDI) and now the Toddler Development Instrument (TDI). He noted that the MDI does not show ranking but does show that the Revelstoke school district is the least vulnerable in the Province, notwithstanding that there are areas of improvement.

<u>Ministry of Education – Independent Review Panel Report on K-12 Public Education Section</u> <u>Funding Model Review</u>

Received as information. Acting Secretary Treasurer Tisdale explained that any questions will be recorded and passed on to Superintendent Hooker. Trustee discussed the report noting that it is a large task the Independent Review Panel has with many issues and challenges. Trustee Chell noted that districts are committed to working together to come up with a formula that is fair to all districts and that from the feedback that he has received the small districts are being heard at the provincial level. Trustee MacFarlane added that the Panel is also looking at the funding models of other provinces.

Signing Authorities

18: R-43 Chell/Richardson

"THAT the Secretary Treasurer and the Board Chair or the Chair of the Finance and Facilities Committee, or in the absence of the Board Chair and the Chair of the Finance and Facilities Committee, the Secretary Treasurer and the Superintendent of Schools, be the signing authorities for the school district for bank signing purposes effective June 1st, 2018. The names and positions of the signing authorities are set out below:

Bill MacFarlane	Board Chair
Elmer Rorstad	Chair of the Finance and Facilities Committee
Bruce Tisdale	Secretary Treasurer
Mike Hooker	Superintendent of Schools"

Policy 2.21 Trustee Elections Bylaw

Acting Secretary Treasurer Tisdale noted that City of Revelstoke's electoral officer and Audrey Ackah, Legal Counsel for the BCSTA provided input into revisions to the bylaw.

18: R-44 Chell/Rorstad

"THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education give first, second and third reading to Policy 2.21 Trustee Elections Bylaw."

CARRIED

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Trustee Election 2018

Trustee MacFarlane explained that he wants to create an environment that fosters interest in becoming a trustee in Revelstoke and the significance and importance of the job. Trustee Chell stated that all current trustees would be receptive to providing further information about

the role of a trustee on the Revelstoke Board of Education to encourage interest. Trustees MacFarlane, Chell and Rorstad advised they will be running for re-election. Trustee Nicholson and Richardson advised that they will not seek re-election.

SECRETARY TREASURER JUMMUN

Audit Contract

Secretary Treasurer Jummun explained that in the interest of consistency in the audit process it is recommended that the Revelstoke Board of Education approve a three year contract with current auditors, BDO Dunwoody Canada LLP at the new reduced price.

18: R-45 Rorstad/Richardson

"THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education appoint BDO Dunwoody Canada LLP of Revelstoke, BC as the district's auditors for the three-year period commencing July 1, 2017 to the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020 as per their quotation."

CARRIED

2018/2019 Annual Budget

Secretary Treasurer Jummun reviewed the budget document noting some key aspects such as the total budget which includes the operating, special purpose and capital funds, the use of the 2016/2017 surplus to balance the budget, the reduction in the special education grant due to less students next year, the increase in teacher and support staff salaries, and increase in benefit costs.

Trustees thanked Secretary Treasurer Jummun and the Budget Committee members for their work in developing the budget.

18: R-46 Rorstad/Richardson

"THAT the Board of Education give first, second, and third reading and adoption to the attached 2018/19 Annual Budget and Bylaw in the amount of \$14,602,987."

CARRIED

<u>OTHER</u>

COMMITTEE REPORTS

District Parent Advisory Council Minutes of May 2nd, 2018

Trustee Rorstad presenting the minutes highlighting the breakfast program which has just recently been implemented at Arrow Heights Elementary School and the student use of the medical clinic time at Revelstoke Secondary School.

18: R-47 Rorstad/Nicholson

"THAT the minutes of the District Parent Advisory Council meeting of May 2nd, 2018 be received as presented."

CARRIED

Trustee Richardson presented the minutes, noting that she was not at the meeting. She noted the Michelle Cole is stepping down as Chairperson and Chantal Wilson will be taking on the role of Chairperson.

18: R-48 Richardson/Rorstad

"THAT the minutes of the Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee meeting of May 3rd, 2018 be received as presented."

CARRIED

Budget Committee Minutes of May 9th, 2018

Secretary Treasurer Jummun presented the minutes.

18: R-49 Chell/Rorstad

"THAT the minutes of the Budget Committee meeting of May 9th, 2018 be received as presented."

CARRIED

Finance and Facilities Committee Minutes of May 18th, 2018

Trustee Rorstad presented the minutes and congratulated district staff for developing the current budget.

Trustee MacFarlane on behalf of the Board, thanked Secretary Treasurer Jummun for his work as Secretary Treasurer and wished the very best for him and his wife Caroline in their future endeavours.

18: R-50 Rorstad/Richardson

THAT the Report on Bills Paid for March 1st, 2018 to April 30th, 2018 in the amount of \$2,474,621.19 be approved."

18: R-51 Rorstad/Chell

"THAT the minutes of the Finance and Facilities Committee meeting of May 18th, 2018 be received as presented."

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TRUSTEE REPORTS

CORRESPONDENCE

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

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

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:19 p.m. on the motion of Trustee Nicholson

CLOSED BOARD ITEMS

- Exempt Staffing UpdateSurplus Schools Update

Chair

DATED: May 30th, 2018

Secretary Treasurer