## **Revelstoke Board of Education**



# Regular Board Meeting April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Minutes

## **CALL TO ORDER**

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 Secwepemc, and the Syilx.

## **ATTENDANCE**

Trustees: MacFarlane, Chell, Rorstad, Zimmer and Pendergast

Senior Administration: Superintendent Hooker and Secretary Treasurer Tisdale

Principals: Andy Pfeiffer, Principal of Columbia Park Elementary School

and: Administrative Secretary Magarian

Guests: Bob Rogers, RTA President; 3 RTA members, 2 students and one

member of the media

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

19: R-26 Pendergast/Rorstad

"THAT the agenda be approved as presented."

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

19: R-27 Pendergast/Zimmer

"THAT the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019, be approved as presented."

**CARRIED** 

### **DELEGATIONS**

### **SPECIAL REPORTS**

Columbia Park Elementary School 2018/2019 Annual Report to the Board

Principal Pfeiffer began his presentation by welcoming everyone and provided some background on his years in the district noting that many of the parents of Columbia Park Elementary School students are formers students of his. He has been the school principal for two and a half years and uses the school's twitter account as a way to connect with parents and have the parents connect to the school. One of the school's focuses since he began as principal is the "Growth Mindset". Staff continues to work with students and parents to encourage the use of growth mindset language in school and at home.

Principal Pfeiffer introduced Tammy Tomm and Tracey Hill, the Grade 6/7 teachers at Columbia Park Elementary School and two of their students. Mrs. Tomm explained that she and Mrs. Hill applied for a grant from Special Education Technology BC (SET-BC) which provides 10 lap tops and 10 "Makey Makey" (USB circuit boards) for a project, which the school keeps. The project that they submitted to SET-BC was "Food Truck Revolution", a cross-curricular project. The two Grade 6/7 students then presented their Food Truck. The students explained the process from beginning to end which included going to the grocery store to cost items and determining what cost to sell their product at. The students noted that the self-reflection done throughout the project ,as well as the evaluations done by the class were very valuable and they learned a great deal about themselves and their strengths through the evaluation process.

Principal Pfeiffer added that SET-BC sent a professional videographer to film the students and put together a video.

Principal Pfeifer reviewed last year's Middle Years Development Instrument results, and the school's commitment to making sure students feel that they belong. He highlighted the school's breakfast program which not only provides students with breakfast, but time to visit with their friends and is a soft transition from home to the classroom. He noted the power of celebration and gave an example of the video he puts together every second Friday to show at the end of assembly which celebrates students and enforces their feelings of belonging. He also discussed communicating with the community through newsletters, twitter and now FreshGrade an online portfolio where teachers, students and parents interact and comment on students work. FreshGrade is used to encourage students to take control of their learning and engage parents and he gave a demonstration of the program.

Principal Pfeiffer concluded his presentation by thanking trustees, his "amazing" staff and the school's hard-working Parent Advisory Council.

Trustees thanked Principal Pfeiffer and asked him to pass their thanks on to staff. Superintendent Hooker noted the collegial staff at Columbia Park Elementary School and the positive inclusive school community.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

## **ADMINISTRATION REPORTS**

## SUPERINTENDENT HOOKER

Administration Report: Superintendent Hooker

Received as information.

Superintendent Hooker presented his Administration Report highlighting an outstanding Revelstoke Secondary School band concert, the annual Ready Set Learn event, the English Language Learning event and the donation from the Revelstoke Credit Union's Community Giving Program. He noted that he has had discussions with Revelstoke Secondary School's band director Tessa Davis regarding the grade 6/7 band program as Elementary Band Teacher Jim Redding has given notice that he will be retiring at the end of June.

### McCreary Report Summary

Superintendent Hooker presented his report and reviewed the charts highlighting the high rates of students reporting positive school experiences, which is due in large part to staff connecting

so well with students. Topics for further discussions included substance use noting that vaping and cannabis use is on the rise.

#### Administrative Protocol S-11 Non-Staff Adults Involved with Students

Superintendent Hooker reviewed the protocol explaining that the language was revised to make clear to volunteers our expectations. The district is very fortunate to have so many volunteers and we know that volunteers appreciate having clear expectations.

## Policy 3.9 School Completion (Evergreen) Certificates

Superintendent Hooker presented the revised policy noting that only a minor housekeeping change was made to the policy.

#### 19: R-28 Chell/Pendergast

"THAT the Board of Education approve revised Policy 3.9 School Completion (Evergreen) Certificates in accordance with Board Policy 2.4 District Policy Development and Review."

**CARRIED** 

#### Policy 4.15 Property Control Bylaw

Superintendent Hooker presented the revised policy noting that the bylaw was amended to included references to vaping and cannabis use on school district property and the second and third reading of the bylaw will take place at the next meeting.

## 19: R-29 Pendergast/Zimmer

"THAT the Board of Education give first reading to the attached revised Policy 4.15 Property Control Bylaw in accordance with section 9.4 of Policy 2.1 Procedural Bylaw."

**CARRIED** 

### 2019/2020 Board Meeting Schedule

Superintendent Hooker presented the proposed schedule for board meetings for the 2019/2020 school year.

### 19: R-30 Chell/Pendergast

"THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education approve the dates for the 2019/2020 Board meetings as presented."

CARRIED

## SECRETARY TREASURER TISDALE

#### 2019/2020 Provincial Funding Announcement

Secretary Treasurer Tisdale reviewed his memo noting that the increase in funding for salary and benefits are due to the salary increases in the existing teacher and CUPE collective agreements.

## **OTHER**

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Policy Review Committee Minutes of February 25th, 2019

Chair MacFarlane presented the minutes.

## 19: R-31 Zimmer/Pendergast

"THAT the minutes of the Policy Review Committee meeting of February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019 be received as presented."

**CARRIED** 

District Parent Advisory Council Meeting Summary of March 6th, 2019

Trustee Rorstad presented the meeting summary noting that as there was no quorum present, no decisions could be made. He highlighted the success of the breakfast program and expressed thanks for the many volunteers who make the program work.

## 19: R-32 Rorstad/Chell

"THAT the meeting summary of the District Parent Advisory Council meeting of March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019 be received as presented."

**CARRIED** 

## TRUSTEE REPORTS

Early Childhood Development Committee Meeting of February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019

For information.

Okanagan College Regional Advisory Committee Meeting of February 25th, 2019

Trustee Pendergast presented the minutes highlighting the Tourism Management Program which the College will be running at the Revelstoke campus in the Fall of 2019 and the interesting cell phone data received from Telus regarding the number of people in Revelstoke for more than 45 days.

BC School Trustees Association Thompson Okanagan Branch Meeting of March 1st - 2nd, 2019

Trustees noted that it was an interesting meeting with presentations by Deputy Minister of Education Scott MacDonald and Janet Stewart, Chief Operating Officer of the BC Public School Employers Association.

#### BC School Trustees Association Leadership Series

Chair MacFarlane attended the workshop and has provided the other trustees with the link to the workbook adding that BC School Trustees Association (BCSTA) has posted the slides from the workshop on the BCSTA HUB.

## CORRESPONDENCE

## **PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD**

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

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m. on the motion of Trustee Chell.

## **CLOSED BOARD ITEMS**

- Exempt Staff Compensation
- Mountain View Site Update
- Pricing and Process for Sale of Big Eddy Lots
- 2019/2020 Budget Committee Meeting #1
- Student Suspensions February 2019

	Chair	_
	Secretary Treasurer	
DATED: April 17 <sup>th</sup> , 2019		