Revelstoke Board of Education



Regular Board Meeting December 11th, 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, Rorstad, Zimmer and Pendergast

Senior Administration: Superintendent Hooker and Secretary Treasurer Tisdale

and: Administrative Secretary Magarian

Guests: Bob Rogers, RTA President and 1 member of the media

Regrets: Trustee Chell

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

19: R-95 Pendergast/Zimmer

"THAT the agenda be approved with the following changes and additions:

- Changing Results for Young Readers Presentation will be moved to the January 15th, 2020 meeting;
- The addition of Item 8.1.2 A Big Eddy Elementary School Sale of Lots Bylaw"; and
- The addition of Item 8.4 B Screen Smart Committee Meeting."

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

19: R-96 Pendergast/Rorstad

"THAT the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of November 19th, 2019, be approved as presented."

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

SPECIAL REPORTS

<u>Changing Results for Young Children</u> - Moved to January 15th, 2020 Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

SUPERINTENDENT HOOKER

Administration Report: Superintendent Hooker

Received as information.

Superintendent Hooker presented his Administration Reporting highlighting the number of students currently participating in Industry Training Authority, Work Experience, and Apprenticeship programs as well as the 75 students enrolled in the Youth Explore Trade Skills classes. He expressed appreciation for the district's Educational Assistants and their outstanding work with our students. He added that 6 of the district's teachers will be attending the "Go to Educator" Mental Health and Wellness Program being held at UBC on February 4th and 5th, 2020.

Graduation Completion Rates

Superintendent Hooker reviewed the district's 5 year complete rate (currently 92%) noting that the district has consistently been above the provincial average (currently 82%) and that the district continues to focus on providing support and connecting with the students who are not yet experiencing success.

Provincial Foundation Skills Assessment – Grade 4 - 7

Superintendent Hooker presented the draft results for the district noting that the assessments were marked locally and that a small sample will be forwarded to the Ministry for double marking in June. He highlighted the high participation rates as well as the high levels of students "on track" or "extending" particularly in numeracy at the Grade 7 level with 57% of students "extending".

District Plan for Student Success 2019/2020

Superintendent Hooker provided an overview of the District Plan for Student Success beginning with the three questions students ask of themselves "What are we learning, and why is it important?", "How is it going?", and "Where to next?" and the three questions teachers ask themselves "What is going on with our learners?", "How do we know?", and "Why does it matter?". He then reviewed the three goals of the Board which are:

- To support students health and well-being
- To increase students reading achievement
- To ensure that our students are completing Grade 12 with dignity, purpose and options.

The data from the Middle Years Development Instrument (MDI), the Provincial Student Learning Survey, the Early Years Development Instrument, the PM Benchmarks, the G.O.R.T., and the district's graduation rates is used to determine what is happening for our students and what areas to focus on. The district continues to focus on student health and well being and on literacy skills. The data from the various assessments and surveys indicates that the rates of students who feel connected to adults at home is comparable to the provincial average, while the rates of grade 4 and 7 students who feel connected to adults in the community and connected with adults at school, is well above the provincial average.

Revelstoke Secondary School Trip - Ono Cho, Japan

Superintendent Hooker noted that the details of the trip have now been finalized.

19: R-97 Pendergast/Zimmer

"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 9th to 16th, 2020 subject to Policy 7.4 as well as subject to all participants having medical and travel insurance."

CARRIED

SECRETARY TREASURER TISDALE

Big Eddy Elementary School – Bylaw for the Sale of Lots

Secretary Treasurer Tisdale provided background information on the property and reviewed the sale process. He explained that all lots were sold above the asking price and that the Bylaw was added to the agenda as some of the lot sales complete this week. He explained that the funds would be placed in the district's capital fund as required by the Ministry of Education, to be used for future capital projects, such as school expansion projects. He noted that the funds cannot be used as regular operating funds. Chair MacFarlane added that the district's priority was to make the sale of the lots an open and transparent process and noted that thanks to the work of staff, and the work with the City, it has come to a very good conclusion.

19: R-98 Pendergast/Rorstad

"THAT the Board of Education give first, second and third reading and adoption to the attached the Big Eddy Subdivision Land Disposal Bylaw 2019."

CARRIED

<u>OTHER</u>

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Education Advisory Committee Minutes of November 28th, 2019

Trustee MacFarlane presented the minutes noting that the meeting focused on reviewing the surveys that have been done to ensure that any future surveys are valid and used to improve supports for students. The Committee is also looking at the Board's Mission Vision Values and Goals document and will be reviewing the draft Provincial Framework for Enhanced Student Learning at future meetings.

19: R-99 Pendergast/Zimmer

"THAT the minutes of the Education Advisory Committee meeting of November 28th, 2019 be received as presented."

CARRIED

Finance and Facilities Committee Minutes of December 4th, 2019

Trustee Rorstad presented the minutes noting the update on the Columbia Park Elementary School project. Secretary Treasurer Tisdale added that the contract will contain a clause that no work can be done on the project between the hours of 7:00 am and 3:00 pm, Monday to Friday, to ensure that students and staff are minimally impacted by the work to be done.

19: R-100 Rorstad/Pendergast

THAT the Report on Bills Paid for September and October 2019 in the amount of \$2,169,380.36 be approved."

CARRIED

19: R-101 Rorstad/Zimmer

"THAT the minutes of the Finance and Facilities Committee meeting of December 4th, 2019 be received as presented."

CARRIED

TRUSTEE REPORTS

British Columbia School Trustee Association Trustee Academy of November 28th and 29th, 2019

Trustees MacFarlane, Chell, Pendergast and Zimmer as well as Superintendent Hooker attending the Trustee Academy. Trustees noted the theme of the academy was inclusion with a notable presentation by Member of Parliament Mike Lake regarding his experiences with his son with autism.

Screen Smart

Trustee Pendergast attended his first Screen Smart meeting. He provided trustees with some background information about Screen Smart and the current need to find a Coordinator noting that the Committee's focus will be to return it to being a community committee. He noted that Ariel McDowell, District Principal Student Services, has done excellent work overseeing Screen Smart the past few years. The next meeting will be January 6th, 2020.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter dated November 12th, 2019 from Jared Basil, Education and Employment Sector Chair of the Ktunaxa Nation Council.

 Superintendent Hooker confirmed that he and District Principal of Indigenous Education Kenyon have contacted Mr. Basil and that a January visit by representatives from the Ktunaxa Nation is being planned.

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

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

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:46 p.m. on the motion of Trustee Pendergast.

CLOSED BOARD ITEMS

- Teacher Bargaining Update
- Big Eddy Site
- Mountain View Site

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	Chair	
DATED: December 11 th , 2019	Secretary Treasurer	