Revelstoke Board of Education



Regular Board Meeting April 29th, 2020 (Meeting held electronically) 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. Also wants to recognize the Indigenous Principles of Learning and in particular patience and time.

ATTENDANCE

Trustees: MacFarlane, Chell, Rorstad, Zimmer and Pendergast

Senior Administration: Superintendent Hooker and Secretary Treasurer Tisdale

and: Administrative Secretary Magarian

Guests: Bob Rogers, RTA President

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

20: R-28 Chell/Zimmer

"THAT the agenda be approved as presented."

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

20: R-29 Pendergast/Rorstad

"THAT the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of April 8th, 2020, be approved as presented."

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

SPECIAL REPORTS

NEW BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

SUPERINTENDENT HOOKER

Administration Report: Superintendent Hooker

Received as information.

Superintendent Hooker presented his Administration Reporting highlighting his ongoing contact (sometimes daily) with Clara Maltby, President CUPE 5150 and Bob Rogers, RTA President, the

cross-school collaboration starting tomorrow with Grade 6/7 and his meetings with Ariel McDowell to review ways to support students who require more face to face instruction. Currently, a few students are coming into each of the schools to meet with teachers and/or educational assistants for an hour or two a couple of days a week in addition to online support. He noted his recent discussions with Greg Hill and Melissa Hemphill regarding the proposal for the Farwell Farm Project. The district is interested in a partnership with the Local Food Initiative for the project, and Bruce Tisdale, Secretary Treasurer, will take the lead and continue to work with Melissa Hemphill the Community Connections Food Security Coordinator.

Trustees asked for more information regarding the levels of student engagement. Superintendent Hooker advised that overall student engagement is high with notable differences at the secondary levels (8-12) and primary levels (K-3). Revelstoke Secondary School student engagement levels vary from class to class but are high for most classes. Participation rates for students at the grade 4-7 level are also high. Communication levels with primary students is high, but online participation levels are lower as families are doing more "hands on" learning with the younger students. Staff are focused on being careful not to overwhelm families with information and materials.

Community Support during COVID19

Superintendent Hooker noted that the summary came out of trustee discussions during the April 22nd, 2020 Finance and Facilities Meeting. The memo is a way to communicate what work the district is doing to support students and families during COVID19. He added that a press release was circulated earlier today which summarized the district's work based on the four priorities set by the Ministry of Education.

Board Authority Authorized Course - English Language Development 10

Superintendent Hooker presented the course noting that it was designed for students coming to Revelstoke Secondary School without any English language skills. The course helps students learn English while respecting their culture and history and also incorporates the Indigenous Principles of Learning.

20: R-30 Pendergast/Zimmer

"THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education approve English Language Development 10."

CARRIED

SECRETARY TREASURER TISDALE

OTHER

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance and Facilities Committee Minutes of April 22nd, 2020

Trustee Rorstad presented the minutes noting Secretary Treasurer Tisdale's presentation on the impact of COVID19 the 2019/2020 Amended Annual Budget.

20: R-31 Rorstad/Chell

THAT the Report on Bills Paid for January 1st, 2020 to February 29th, 2020 in the amount of \$3,263,378.84 be approved."

CARRIED

20: R-32 Rorstad/Pendergast

"THAT the minutes of the Finance and Facilities Committee meeting of April 22nd, 2020 be received as presented."

CARRIED

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 5:29 p.m. on the motion of Trustee Chell.

CLOSED BOARD ITEMS

- Update on Status of Memorandum of Agreement for the Renewal of the 2013-2019 Collective Agreement between the BC Public School Employers' Association and the BC Teachers Federation
- 2020/2021 Principal Assignments and Timing of Announcements

	Chair	
DATED: April 29 th , 2020	Secretary Treasurer	