



Revelstoke Board of Education

Regular Board Meeting August 27th, 2020 at Revelstoke Secondary School Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Trustee MacFarlane called the meeting to order at 4:00 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

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| Trustees: | MacFarlane, Chell, Rorstad, Zimmer and Pendergast |
| Senior Administration: | Superintendent Hooker and Secretary Treasurer Tisdale (by phone) |
| Principals/Vice-Principals: | Michael Haworth, District Vice-Principal of Technology |
| and: | Administrative Secretary Magarian |
| Guests: | Two members of the media |

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

20: R-51 Pendergast/Chell

"THAT the agenda be approved as presented."

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

20: R-52 Rorstad/Zimmer

"THAT the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of June 24th, 2020, be approved as presented."

CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

SPECIAL REPORTS

NEW BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

SUPERINTENDENT HOOKER

September 2020 Restart Plan Package (hand out)

Board Chair MacFarlane introduced Superintendent Hooker explaining that the package handed out is a compilation of documents for our district's return to in classroom instruction on September 10th, 2020 including a summary of the district's Restart Plan submitted to the Ministry of

Education. He added that the Ministry of Education recognizes that each district is unique and therefore each district's plan is different.

Superintendent Hooker began by noting that he has met with the District Parent Advisory Council twice on August 20th and 26th to discuss and review the return to school plan. He explained that the package of documents contains, in addition to the summary of the district wide restart plan, the Exposure Control Plan as well as the specific plans for each school. All of the district's documentation/plans are built on the *Provincial COVID-19 Health & Safety Guidelines for K-12 Settings* provided to school districts and posted on the district's website. He then provided a PowerPoint presentation of the district's plans for "Back to School".

- Personal Safety & Hygiene
 - ✓ Staying home if displaying COVID19 symptoms, handwashing, physical distancing, etc.
- School & Classroom Routines
 - ✓ Enhanced cleaning, learning groups, and restricted access
- Outdoor Activities
 - ✓ Outdoor learning, designated arrival and dismissal areas, etc.
- Transportation
 - ✓ There will be a seating plan and enhanced cleaning.

He noted that there is still work being done with respect to transportation. Each family will be contacted next week to confirm whether they need transportation to and from school. Once the exact numbers of students requiring busing is determined, and we have further clarification regarding non-medical masks on buses, the district will finalize the transportation plans and protocols.

- Stage 2 Exposure Control Plan
 - ✓ This document is for information purposes and set out the district's protocols.
- Health and Safety Orientation
 - ✓ Health and Safety Orientation for staff will begin taking place the week of August 31st, 2020 and will continue on September 8th and 9th, 2020.
- Learning Groups
 - ✓ Elementary Principals set up the learning groups keeping the groups as small as possible while allowing for some flexibility to allow for an increase to the group size up to the limit, for group activities such as assemblies.
 - ✓ Revelstoke Secondary School – the Grade 8 and 9 students will have their courses year long, with only four teachers for each grade. Grade 10, 11 and 12 students will be on a quarter system.
- Transportation
 - ✓ Assigned seating, loading from back to front and off-loading from front to back, students to wash hands before they leave the house, additional cleaning/disinfecting.
- Parents, Guardians and Caregivers
 - ✓ As mentioned earlier, Superintendent Hooker met with the District Parent Advisory Council on August 20th and 26th. DPAC is happy with the engagement and is sharing good information with other parents.

- Continuity of Learning for Students who need to Self-Isolate or Quarantine
 - ✓ Students needing to self-isolate or quarantine, or for medical reasons are unable to attend school, will be supported through the district's Home/Hospital Support Program.

Superintendent Hooker reiterated that if anyone has any questions or concerns regarding the return to school on September 10th, 2020, they are asked to reach out to their school principal or himself. He added that all of the materials are on the school district website, a district contact list is on the website and principals have posted information on their school's website as well.

Trustees thanked the Superintendent for the presentation and staff for their work in preparing the restart plan. They noted that it will be good to have students to be back in school. Trustees also confirmed their confidence in the district's return to school plan and the district's leadership team, staff, parents and the community.

20: R-53 Chell/Zimmer

"THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education endorse the district's Restart Plan for September 2020."

CARRIED

SECRETARY TREASURER TISDALE

OTHER

COMMITTEE REPORTS

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 4:37 p.m. on the motion of Trustee Pendergast.

CLOSED BOARD ITEMS

Chair

Secretary Treasurer

DATED: August 27th, 2020