# School District 19 (Revelstoke)

# **Revelstoke Board of Education**

# Regular Board Meeting at Columbia Park Elementary School May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Minutes

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Trustee MacFarlane called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

## <u>ACKNOWLEDGEMENT</u>

We would like to respectfully honour the four nations on whose land we live and learn: the Sinixt, the Ktunaxa, the Secwepemc, and the Syilx.

## **ATTENDANCE**

Trustees: MacFarlane, Rorstad, and Zimmer

Senior Administration: Superintendent Hooker and Secretary Treasurer Tisdale

Principals: Andy Pfeiffer, Principal of Columbia Park Elementary School

and: Administrative Secretary Magarian

Guests: Barry Rourke, RTA President;
Regrets: Trustees Chell and Pendergast

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

22: R-35 Rorstad/Zimmer

"THAT the agenda be approved as presented."

**CARRIED** 

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

22: R-36 Zimmer/Rorstad

"THAT the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022, be approved as presented."

**CARRIED** 

# **DELEGATIONS**

## **SPECIAL REPORTS**

Columbia Park Elementary School Annual Report to the Board presented by Andy Pfeiffer, Principal

Principal Pfeiffer began his presentation noting that the past couple of years have been "interesting" ones. He expressed his appreciation for his staff and their patience and resilience throughout the renovations and COVID. The past year has been a year of change with six new teachers and five new Educational Assistants but the change has gone well due to the culture of caring and connectedness at the school. Staff and students are enjoying having parents back in the school, being able to have full school assemblies, and the return of a wide range of activities.

Principal Pfeifer then referred to the updated School Learning Focus and the school's focus question for the year which was "Will student learning continue to improve when we balance Social-Emotional Learning and Connectedness with Enhanced Instruction Practices?" He reviewed the data from the Middle Years Development Instrument and the Student Learning Surveys to review how student are doing this year in terms of their well-being, connectedness and feelings about school. He noted the students at Columbia Park Elementary School are experiencing high levels in all three areas.

Principal Pfeiffer then reviewed the Enhanced Instructional Practices the school has implemented this year such as:

- Enhanced Indigenous education programing an example is the monthly programs that Erin England does at the school
- Writing Structures and Reading Power Webinar and pro-d events with Adrienne Gear
- School Wide Writes three times a year all students do a piece of writing
- Independent numeracy programs students work at their own place
- Primary Explorations multi-aged groups of students from K to 4 which gives students
  and opportunity to explore different areas such as cooking and dance. Teachers become
  co-creators and older students bring leadership and mentoring to younger students who
  in turn bring wonder and enthusiasm.

Principal Pfeiffer concluded by thanking trustees and Superintendent Hooker for their support.

Trustees thanked Principal Pfeiffer for his presentation and asked that he pass along their thanks to his staff. Superintendent Hooker thanked Principal Pfeiffer adding that he is happy to see the inquiry method being used to give students agency over their learning.

Principal Pfeiffer left the meeting at 4:27 pm.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

#### SUPERINTENDENT HOOKER

Administration Report: Superintendent Hooker

Received as information.

Superintendent Hooker presented his Administration Report highlighting the Budget Committee meetings taking place noting that continuing to offer the additional high levels of service will be a challenge for the 2022/2023 school year as COVID funding will no longer be provided to districts. He also noted the activities of the Indigenous Connections class and their outdoor work with Elder Randy Williams, the upcoming session with Carolyn Roberts hosted by the Education Advisory Committee and the District Dogwood Authority awards presentations. He also noted the success of the Revelstoke Science and Tech Summit due in a large part to the work of Michael Haworth, District Vice Principal Technology. The workshops at each of the schools were thoroughly enjoyed by students.

#### Framework for Enhanced Student Learning – Peer Review Feedback

Superintendent Hooker began by explaining the peer review process which was that teams of three people from different districts met for a day and a half and went through what they could access online for 10 districts. The team identified Revelstoke's strengths and provided some

questions for the district to consider. We will take those questions and put together an action plan which will be reflected in the district's strategic plan.

# <u>Indigenous Focused Grad Requirement – Additional Information</u>

Superintendent Hooker advised that the current grade 10 students will require an Indigenous focused course in order to graduate. The Ministry will be providing course criteria to districts in the coming months. Some districts have chosen to offer only First Peoples English 10 and no longer offer the traditional English 10. The First Peoples English 10 course has the same learning outcomes but uses Indigenous resources (i.e. Indigenous authors, stories etc.). As an English 10 course is mandatory, this will ensure that students will meet the grad requirement. Revelstoke Secondary School staff will work together to meet the new grad requirement in preparation for full implementation in 2023/2024.

## Human Early Learning Partnership and Revelstoke Project 2021-2022 Highlights

Superintendent Hooker provided the memorandum with the highlights to trustees for their information.

# Policy No. 3.6 Reconciliation

Superintendent Hooker noted that the policy has been reviewed and revised by both the Policy Review Committee and the Indigenous Education Advisory Committee. The policy will now be going out for circulation and will again go to the Indigenous Education Advisory Committee for their feedback as part of the circulation process.

## 22: R-37 Zimmer/Rorstad

"THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education circulate Policy 3.6 *Reconciliation.*"

**CARRIED** 

## SECRETARY TREASURER TISDALE

# **OTHER**

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

## Policy Review Committee Minutes of April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Trustee Zimmer presented the minutes noting that the Committee has been thoughtful in its revision of the policies it is currently working on.

#### 22: R-38 Zimmer/Rorstad

"THAT the minutes of the Policy Review Committee meeting of April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022 be received as presented."

**CARRIED** 

# District Parent Advisory Council Minutes of May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Trustee Rorstad presented the minutes noting the DPAC's decision to provide each school with funds for school jerseys.

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"THAT the minutes of the District Parent Advisory Council meeting of May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022 be received as presented."

**CARRIED** 

# **TRUSTEE REPORTS**

British Columbia School Trustees' Association Annual General Meeting of April 21st to 23rd, 2022

Trustees MacFarlane, Chell, Pendergast and Zimmer as well as Superintendent Hooker and Secretary Treasurer Tisdale attended the event which devoted a day and a half to Indigenous learning.

# **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 5:05 p.m. on the motion of Trustee Rorstad.

# **CLOSED BOARD ITEMS**

- Teacher Bargaining
- CUPE Bargaining

Secretary Treasurer		

DATED: May 11th, 2022