# **Revelstoke Board of Education**



# Regular Board Meeting October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022 Minutes

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Trustee MacFarlane called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

# **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

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, Zimmer and Pendergast

Senior Administration: Superintendent Kubik and Secretary Treasurer Tisdale

and: Administrative Secretary Magarian

Guests: Barry Rourke, RTA President
Regrets: Trustees Chell and Rorstad

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

22: R-63 Pendergast/Zimmer

"THAT the agenda be approved with the addition of Item 8.2 A Columbia Basin Environmental Education Network Awards of Excellence."

**CARRIED** 

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

22: R-64 Zimmer/Pendergast

"THAT the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022, be approved as presented."

**CARRIED** 

#### **DELEGATIONS**

**SPECIAL REPORTS** 

**NEW BUSINESS** 

#### **ADMINISTRATION REPORTS**

#### SUPERINTENDENT KUBIK

Administration Report: Superintendent Kubik

Received as information.

Superintendent Kubik presented her Administration Report highlighting the Early Learning Childcare Lead meetings she has attended. The district is partnering with community partners

to determine how best to use school spaces. The Ministry of Education and Child Care has set a goal of 80% of families having childcare within 10 years. Currently, only 20% of families in the province have child care. She noted that Revelstoke has been highlighted at Ministry meetings for the low vulnerability rates in the community based on data from the Early Development Instrument and the Middle Years Development Instrument. Ms. Kubik together with Todd Hicks, District Principal Student Services, Lisa Moore, Indigenous Student Assistant and Bruce Tisdale, Secretary Treasurer, met with Melissa Hemphill and Austin Luciow of Community Connections to discuss the Affordability fund. The district will be partnering with Community Connections to determine the best way to support families with the fund. She highlighted a Zoom session on data. The author of a book entitled *Street Data: A Next-Generational Model for Equity, Pedagogy, and School Transformation* presented. The presentation focused on looking at families on the margin and honouring the culture of those families.

### Youth Design Climate Resilience Research Project

Superintendent Kubik explained that the project is a project funded by the Federal Government and was created jointly project with Royal Roads University, UBC and the University of Puerto Rico. Students from across Canada will be participating in the project. Students will be looking at their local environmental action and through the design thinking process develop a deeper understand of our needs, frame those needs into a clearer focus, and ultimately create a prototype. The project is a three-year project and students will participate in wisdom circles, grounding sessions and meet with other adults and students to share knowledge and exchange ideas and listen to guest speakers.

# Cooperate Cohort Framework Update

Superintendent Kubik explained that the Framework for Enhanced Student Learning, the Strategic Plan and the District Plan for Student Success are used for enhance student learning. The Cooperation Cohort consists of 12 districts. Our district was chosen as our Strategic Plan ends in 2024. The cohort will look at the successes in other districts and how those successes were achieved. Our district will use analytics on our data to develop a pathway to increase the numbers of students with diverse abilities who are on track or extending in the area of numeracy. Some of the questions to be asked will relate to what are the pathways and strategies that the district uses to stretch students in the area of literacy that can be applied to numeracy. The district will also be asking the analytics team for help in increasing students' sense of belonging which recently decreased in every district most likely due to COVID.

## Staffing Update

Superintendent Kubik provided an update on staffing confirming that Todd Hicks, District Principal Student Services is retiring effective November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022. Jodi Wallach and Rita Tedesco will be joining the board office as District Principals of Learning Services and Early Learning and Child Care respectively. Pam Mair will assume the role of Principal at Arrow Heights Elementary School and Stacey Grimm will assume the role of Vice Principal and Revelstoke Secondary School. The transition into the new roles will be a fluid transition with Todd, Rita and Jodi being available for questions and assistance.

The selection process worked well with all committee members providing input. The district feels that it is important to find ways to promote staff within the district to administrative positions. Succession planning has begun and starting in January, teachers who are interested in becoming vice-principals or principals will be invited to join an administration pool.

### SECRETARY TREASURER TISDALE

#### Affordability Fund Update

Secretary Treasurer Tisdale provided an update noting that some money has been rolled out to schools for use in these areas:

- boots, jackets and shoes fund;
- · funds for book fairs
- school events fund.
- funds to stock food cupboards
- funding for special activities (i.e. graduation ceremonies for grade 7 and 12 students, field trips)
- General support fund for all schools
- Base support for the breakfast program

The general support fund went strictly by school population. Some of the funds will be used by schools to support the Breakfast Program in order to reduce the district's reliance on funds from the Columbia Basin Trust. The district is hoping to partner with Community Connections on a backpack program for weekends for families and is working with Lisa Moore, Indigenous Student Assistant, school PACS and DPAC to determine how best to use the funds.

# **OTHER**

#### Columbia Basin Environmental Education Network Awards of Excellence

During the Classrooms to Communities Conference held in Revelstoke on October 21<sup>st</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022, Columbia Basin Environmental Education Network (CBEEN) gave Awards of Excellence to 11 people, 5 of whom were from Revelstoke, including three school district employees (Lisa Moore, Sarah Newton and Matt Kieller).

#### 22: R-65 Pendergast/Zimmer

"THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education provide a letter of congratulations to the Revelstoke recipients of the CBEEN Awards of Excellence; Lisa Moore, Matt Kieller, Sarah Newton, Hailey Ross and Jade Harvey Berrill."

**CARRIED** 

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

## Policy Review Committee Minutes of September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Trustee Zimmer presented the minutes noting that the meeting was the last meeting for Trustee MacFarlane and Todd Hicks, District Principal Student Services. Trustee Zimmer thanked them for their enthusiasm and their work on the Committee.

#### 22: R-66 Zimmer/Pendergast

"THAT the minutes of the Policy Review Committee meeting of September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022 be received as presented."

**CARRIED** 

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

Superintendent Kubik presented the minutes.

# 22: R-67 Pendergast/Zimmer

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

**CARRIED** 

# Indigenous Education Advisory Committee Minutes of October 6th, 2022

Trustee Zimmer presented the minutes noting that the meeting was the last meeting for Todd Hicks, District Principal Student Services. The Okanagan Mainline Regional Indigenous Education meeting took place on October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Todd Hicks, District Principal Student Services and Jodi Wallach incoming District Principal, Student Services, will be attending the meeting and will be reporting to the Committee at its meeting on November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022. Trustee Zimmer highlighted the amount of work and activities being done by Lisa Moore, Jessica Stewardson and Marlene Krug, the district's Indigenous Student Assistants.

### 22: R-68 Zimmer/Pendergast

"THAT the minutes of the Indigenous Education Advisory Committee meeting of October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022 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.

Barry Rourke, RTA President, thanked trustees MacFarlane, Pendergast and Rorstad for being partners with the teachers and support staff in the futures of Revelstoke's children.

#### <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Trustees MacFarlane and Pendergast expressed their thanks to fellow trustees, staff and students for all that they have learned while being on the Board and that they enjoyed their time on the Board.

Roberta Kubik, Superintendent of Schools, read a statement from Trustee Chell:

I would like to thank Bill for the leadership he has shown our District in his role as Board Chair for the last 7 years. He has served the District well and his contributions were very much appreciated.

The meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m. on the motion of Trustee Zimmer.

# **CLOSED BOARD ITEMS**

- Teacher Bargaining
- CUPE Bargaining
- Arrow Heights and Columbia Park Elementary Schools Renovations Projects Vic Van Isle Construction
- Student Suspensions to October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Chair	
Secretary Treasurer	

DATED: October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022