



Regular Board Meeting January 18th, 2023

Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

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

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Sasha-Emily Walsh began the acknowledgment by discussing the acknowledgments at the end of emails that she has received. One in particular that spoke to her was one that stated "While I am living and working in Revelstoke I know that for thousands of years this area was cared for...". That statement acknowledges that first nations were caretakers of the land, they did not consider the land something they owned. She noted the importance of acknowledging our own biases and prejudices on the journey to reconciliation.

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:	Chell, Zimmer, Allen, Rota and Walsh
Senior Administration:	Superintendent Kubik and Secretary Treasurer Tisdale (attended remotely)
and:	Administrative Secretary Magarian
Guests:	Barry Rourke, RTA President; and one member of the media

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

23: R-01 Zimmer/Rota

"THAT the agenda be approved as presented."

CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

23: R-02 Walsh/Rota

"THAT the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of December 14th, 2022, be approved as presented."

<u>CARRIED</u>

DELEGATIONS

SPECIAL REPORTS

NEW BUSINESS

SUPERINTENDENT KUBIK

Administration Report: Superintendent Kubik

Received as information. #10 and #18

Superintendent Kubik presented her Administration Report highlighting the excitement of students returning to school following winter break and her joining the ZOOM Youth Designing Climate Resilience Wisdom Circle with the Revelstoke Secondary School Environment in Action team. The other participants in the Wisdom Circle are from UBC, Royal Road University and the University of Puerto Rico. As our students are very enthusiastic and asked the right questions, their meeting with the University of Puerto Rico "pod" has been moved up from May to February. She also highlighted the BC School Superintendents' Association Virtual Learning Series Session on Decolonizing Leadership that she and District Principals Wallach and Tedesco attended. Julia Jacobs the Director of Instruction, Indigenous Education, spoke of the importance of circle, sharing and the importance of going to the community.

Revelstoke Secondary School Out of Town Trip - Moscow, Idaho

Superintendent Kubik reviewed the planned trip for band students to Moscow, Idaho for the Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival. Trustees noted that they were pleased to see that students will be able to participate in band trips once again now that COVID restrictions on travel have been lifted. It was mentioned that in addition to fundraising, financial assistance can be provided to a student if needed. Secretary Treasurer Tisdale has discussed providing financial assistance to any student that requires it with Musical Director Davis.

23: R-03 Rota/Allen

"THAT the Revelstoke Board of Education approve a group of Revelstoke Secondary School band students participating in a school trip to Moscow, Idaho, U.S.A. from April 18th, 2023 to April 23rd, 2023 in accordance with Policy 7.4."

CARRIED

SECRETARY TREASURER TISDALE

2022/2023 Budget Update

Secretary Treasurer Tisdale provided an overview of the Summary of Operating Grant Comparisons. He noted that as the increase in student enrolment over last year was anticipated so the hiring was done in June to ensure staff would be in place at the start of the school year. He added that there was an increase of 11 special needs students which although it generates additional income, it also generates additional expenses. Our district remains committed to providing the necessary supports based on student needs not funding. He also noted the decrease in the number of Indigenous students due to attrition and some students no longer identifying themselves as Indigenous as it must be done each and every year. Overall, the district's funding was increased by about \$320,000 most of which has already been spent.

<u>OTHER</u>

Trustee School Liaisons

Trustee Chell thanked Trustee Rota for bringing the idea of Trustee School Liaisons forward. Trustees decided that as Board Chair, Trustee Chell will be the "Trustee at Large" going to schools if and when needed. The remaining trustees will be Trustee Liaisons at the following schools:

Arrow Heights Elementary School – Jodie Allen Begbie View Elementary School – Sarah Zimmer Columbia Park Elementary School – Wendy Rota Revelstoke Secondary School – Sasha-Emily Walsh

School Principals will be advised of their Trustee Liaison and provided with contact information.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

District Parent Advisory Council Minutes of December 7th, 2022

Trustee Walsh presented the minutes noting that Austin Luciow attended the BC Confederation of Parent Advisory Councils meeting and spoke to DPAC about the event. DPAC also welcomed two members from Ecole des Glacier to the meeting.

23: R-04 Walsh/Rota

"THAT the minutes of the District Parent Advisory Council meeting of December 7th, 2022 be received as presented."

TRUSTEE REPORTS

British Columbia Public School Employers' Association Annual General Meeting to be held on January 26th – 27th, 2023

Trustees Chell and Allen will be attending the meeting. Some of the items on the agenda will be resolutions, budget and professional development.

CORRESPONDENCE

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

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

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:39 p.m. on the motion of Trustee Allen.

CLOSED BOARD ITEMS

• Exempt Staff Increases – July 1, 2022

Chair

Secretary Treasurer

DATED: January 18th, 2023

CARRIED