



**THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**School District #33 (Chilliwack)**  
**Regular Public Board Meeting**  
**AGENDA**  
**April 25, 2017**  
**7:00 pm**

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**1. CALL TO ORDER – School District Office**

- 1.1. Call to Order - **Welcome and acknowledgment of Stó:l̓ō territory**
- 1.2. Adoption of the Agenda  
(THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.)
- 1.3. Approval of the Minutes  
(THAT the minutes of the April 11, 2017 Regular Public Board meeting be approved as circulated.)

**2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

(Items from the floor are limited to 5 minutes per speaker to a maximum of 30 minutes.)

**3. PRESENTATION**

- 3.1. Aboriginal Education Department

**4. ACTION ITEMS**

- 4.1. Recording of Board Meetings
- 4.2. Schedule of Board Meetings 2017-2018

**5. INFORMATION ITEMS**

- 5.1. Strategic Plan Updates  
**Priority:** Strengthening meaningful relationships within and across schools, district and community to support success for students. (Community/Culture)
  - **Goal:** To foster, develop and enhance quality partnerships to improve student experiences and learning outcomes.
  - **Strategy 1** – Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement
- 5.2. BCSTA Report

- 5.3. Superintendent's Report
- 5.4. Trustee Reports
- 5.5. Meeting Summary
- 5.6. **Future Board of Education Meeting Date – Monday, May 8, 2017 - 7:00 p.m. (to accommodate the provincial election on Tuesday, May 9)**

**6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

(Items from the floor are limited to 5 minutes per speaker to a maximum of 30 minutes.)

**7. ADJOURNMENT**



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
The Board of Education  
School District #33 (Chilliwack)**

**Date of Meeting:** Tuesday, April 11, 2017

**Location:** School District Office

**Members Present:**

Chair	Mr. P. McManus
Vice-Chair	Mr. W. Krahn
Trustee	Mr. D. Coulter
Trustee	Mrs. S. Dyck
Trustee	Mrs. H. Maahs
Trustee	Mr. B. Neufeld
Trustee	Mr. B. Patterson

**Staff Present:**

Superintendent	Ms. E. Novak
Secretary Treasurer	Mr. G. Slykhuis
Director of Instruction	Mr. K. Savage
Assistant Secretary Treasurer	Mr. M. Friesen
Director of Facilities and Transportation	Mr. A. Van Tassel
Executive Assistant	Ms. D. Vogel

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**1. CALL TO ORDER - School District Office**

**1.1. Call to Order**

The Board Chair called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. - **Welcome and Acknowledgment of Traditional Stó:lō Territory.**

**1.2. Adoption of the Agenda**

**64.17** Moved by: Trustee Krahn  
Seconded by: Trustee Coulter

THAT the agenda be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**Approval of Minutes**

**65.17** Moved by: Trustee Patterson  
Seconded by: Trustee Neufeld

THAT the minutes of the March 7, 2017 Regular Public Board meeting be approved as corrected.

**CARRIED**

**2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Ed Klettke, Vice President of the Chilliwack Teachers' Association, commented on Reconfiguration of the Chilliwack School District and Alternative Education Redesign, and highlighted some considerations for the Board.

**3. PRESENTATION – CULTUS LAKE COMMUNITY SCHOOL**

Principal Wade Gemmell and teachers Carolyn McAuliffe and Nicole Christian presented on the introduction of a pilot "Nature Kindergarten (Primary)" curriculum into the school for their youngest students. In a Nature Kindergarten, students spend time outdoors in the forest learning about nature, using their imagination and learning to play cooperatively with each other. Learning is play and experience based with no (few) items brought outdoors from the classroom.

Cultus Lake Community School is an ideal location for Nature Kindergarten given its easy access to an outdoor forest and various outdoor teaching environments. The program has received strong support from the Soowahlie Band, the PAC, the Community School and the Cultus Lake Park Board. Students have benefited both socially and academically from this program, which incorporates First People's principles of learning and local culture within the new curriculum.

**4. ACTION ITEMS**

**4.1. Budget Committee Report**

**66.17** Moved by: Trustee McManus  
Seconded by: Trustee Krahn

THAT the Board of Education receive the Budget Committee Meeting Report of March 30, 2017 as presented.

**CARRIED**

**4.2 Five-Year Capital Plan Bylaw**

**67.17** Moved by: Trustee Krahn  
Seconded by: Trustee Neufeld

THAT the Board approve three readings of Capital Project Bylaw No. 17/18-CP-SD33-01 at the April 11, 2017 Regular Board Meeting.

**CARRIED**

**68.17** Moved by: Trustee Neufeld  
Seconded by: Trustee Dyck

THAT the Board approve first reading of Capital Project Bylaw No. 17/18-CP-SD33-01.

**CARRIED**

**69.17** Moved by: Trustee Krahn  
Seconded by: Trustee Neufeld

THAT the Board approve second reading of Capital Project Bylaw No. 17/18-CP-SD33-01.

**CARRIED**

**70.17** Moved by: Trustee Krahn  
Seconded by: Trustee Neufeld

THAT the Board approve third reading and adoption of Capital Project Bylaw No. 17/18-CP-SD33-01.

**CARRIED**

**4.3 Board/Authority Authorized Courses**

**71.17** Moved by: Trustee Dyck  
Seconded by: Trustee Maahs

THAT the Board of Education approve the Board/Authority Authorized Course – International Foods 10.

**CARRIED**

**72.17** Moved by: Trustee Maahs  
Seconded by: Neufeld

THAT the Board of Education approve the Board/Authority Authorized Courses – Veterinary Science 11, Agriscience 11 and Agriscience 12.

**CARRIED**

**4.4 Reconfiguration Committee**

**73.17** Moved by: Trustee Maahs  
Seconded by: Trustee Krahn

THAT the Board of Education strike a Reconfiguration Committee.

**CARRIED**

**5. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**5.1 Operations Report – Vandalism**

Al VanTassel, Director of Facilities and Transportation, provided summary information on the vandalism that occurred in the district from January – December 2016.

**5.2 2017-2018 Preliminary Budget Assumptions**

Gerry Slykhuis, Secretary Treasurer, provided an overview of the Preliminary Budget Assumptions for 2017/18.

**5.3 Recording of Public Board Meetings**

The Board Chair noted that the Board reviewed a solution for recording of public Board Meetings. As reported by the Secretary-Treasurer, the cost for the wireless system would be at a cost of approximately \$40,000, with no renovations required to the School District Office. Board Chair McManus highlighted this item would be on the next Public Board Meeting Agenda as an Action item.

#### **5.4 BCSTA Report**

Trustee Neufeld provided an update on the BC School Trustees' Association.

**(Trustee Neufeld left the meeting at 9:10 pm.)**

#### **5.5 Superintendent's Report**

In her report to the Board of Education Superintendent Novak discussed:

- The inspiring reading and learning FVRL/School partnership between librarians and teachers that promotes the "sport of reading."
- The tentative Memorandum of Agreement between the BCTF, BCPSEA and the Ministry of Education, which recognizes that all students are entitled to equitable access to learning, achievement and the pursuit of excellence in all aspects of their education.
- The end result of the Supreme Court of Canada ruling – restored language as it relates to SD33 Class Size and Composition, Non-Enrolling teacher ratios and anticipated funding for teachers in 2017/2018.

#### **5.6 Trustee Reports**

**Trustee Krahn reported on the following:**

- Attended a Chair/Vice Chair Planning Meeting with Superintendent and Secretary Treasurer to plan upcoming agendas.
- Attended a Special Assembly at Little Mountain Elementary on April 3rd. The Honorable Judith Guichon, Lieutenant Governor of BC, visited the school as part of Canada's 150th Celebration. I was very impressed with the program and thoroughly enjoyed the music presented by the students, as well as the Honourable Judith Guichon's address to the students. I was also impressed with the wonderful and appropriate welcoming atmosphere provided by the students. A most memorable event for everyone! Thank you to all staff and students!
- Attended the PAC Meeting at McCammon on April 6th. Very impressed with the full agenda and the many initiatives that the McCammon PAC has implemented. I appreciated the collaborative, inclusive approach between the parents and the school!

**Trustee Dyck reported on the following:**

- Attended staff retirement tea.
- Attended the Fraser Valley BCSTA Branch meeting in Agassiz.
- Responded to parent inquiries.
- Adjudicated 4H Senior speeches.

**Trustee Maahs reported the following:**

- Chilliwack Senior Secondary Pac Meeting.
- Watson Elementary Talent show.
- Susan Edgecomb's retirement celebration.
- Budget Committee meeting.
- Strathcona Elementary Assembly for the Honourable Judith Guichon, Lieutenant Governor of BC.
- Chilliwack Senior Secondary hairdressing program grand opening.
- Attended Fraser Valley BCSTA Branch meeting in Agassiz.

**Trustee Patterson reported on the following:**

- Attended the Chilliwack Healthier Community Executive Meeting on March 9<sup>th</sup>.
- Spent the day on March 20<sup>th</sup> assisting the Chilliwack Foundation with the screening of high school applications for their numerous scholarships.
- Attended the retirement ceremony for Susan Edgcombe.
- Co-chaired the Chilliwack Healthier Community monthly meeting on March 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Attended the Budget Meeting on March 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Attended a number of meetings in regards to the “Leader of Tomorrow” Meeting.
- Met with the Principal and Career Counsellor at GWG on April 5.
- Attended the Grad Auction at SSS on Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup>.

**5.7 March 7, 2017 In-Camera Board Meeting Summary**

Trustees: Paul McManus, Walt Krahn, Dan Coulter, Silvia Dyck, Heather Maahs, Barry Neufeld, Bob Patterson

Staff: Evelyn Novak, Gerry Slykhuis, Kirk Savage, Tamara Ilersich, Donna Vogel

1. Contract Renewal: Secretary Treasurer
2. Superintendent Compensation Review
3. Property Purchase
4. Property Purchase
5. TTOC Statistics
6. Principal and Vice Principal Recruitment/Selection Plan
7. Calendar: 2-Week Spring Break CUPE Resolution
8. Human Resources Report
9. Executive Team Roles
10. BCPSEA Submission re. Salary Increases
11. BCPSEA Report

**5.8 Future Board of Education Meeting Date**

**Tuesday, April 25, 2017  
7:00 pm  
School District Office**

**6. SUPPLEMENTARY PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Casey Munro, BCCPAC Representative from DPAC, urged the Board to include DPAC representatives on the Reconfiguration Committee, noted the challenges for parents attempting to enroll students in Sardis Elementary and commended the benefits of learning opportunities for students in outdoor programs.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:36 p.m.

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Board Chair

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Secretary-Treasurer



## BOARD OF EDUCATION

### PRESENTATION

**DATE:** April 25, 2017  
**TO:** Board of Education  
**FROM:** Janet Hall, Director of Instruction  
**RE:** **ABORIGINAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT**

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#### **BACKGROUND:**

The Aboriginal Education Department provides support to classroom teachers and Aboriginal Education Assistants in the school district in a variety of ways. Department staff provide cultural teachings and activities, resources and support materials, and co-plan/co-create lessons with the Curriculum Department for classroom use.

Brenda Point, Vice Principal, Aboriginal Education and Nerine Graham, Coordinator of Aboriginal Education, will provide a brief overview of the work the Aboriginal Education Department is doing to support Aboriginal teachings and learning in our district.

## BOARD OF EDUCATION

### DECISION REPORT

**DATE:** April 25, 2017  
**TO:** Board of Education  
**FROM:** Gerry Slykhuis, Secretary Treasurer  
**RE:** **RECORDING OF PUBLIC BOARD MEETINGS**

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#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT the Board of Education approve the purchase and installation of equipment for the purpose of recording public Board meetings.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

At its November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Board meeting, a motion was approved by the Board of Education to request staff to explore options that are cost effective and effective in meeting the Boards' need to be visible to the public through the recording of public board meetings. Since then various equipment options have been explored.

At the recent meeting of April 11, 2017 a demonstration of equipment provided by PJS Systems Inc. was provided to Trustees and staff. The equipment appears to meet the requirements of recording Board meetings. The total cost of purchasing this equipment is approximately \$40,000 depending on the configuration of the equipment.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**DECISION REPORT**

**DATE:** April 25, 2017  
**TO:** Board of Education  
**FROM:** Evelyn Novak, Superintendent  
**RE:** **SCHEDULE OF BOARD MEETINGS 2017-2018**

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

THAT the Board of Education approve one of the following options for the 2017-2018 school year Board of Education meetings.

Option 1: Board Meeting Schedule – 16 meetings

Option 2: Board Meeting Schedule – 15 meetings



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**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS  
2017-2018**

**OPTION 1 – 16 Meetings**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
September 19, 2017	School District Office
October 3, 2017	School District Office
October 17, 2017	School District Office
November 7, 2017	School District Office
November 28, 2017	School District Office
December 5, 2017 (Elections)	School District Office
January 16, 2018	School District Office
January 30, 2018	School District Office
February 13, 2018	School District Office
February 27, 2018	School District Office
March 13, 2018	School District Office
April 10, 2018	School District Office
April 24, 2018	School District Office
May 8, 2018	School District Office
May 29, 2018	School District Office
June 12, 2018	School District Office



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**OPTION 2 – 15 Meetings**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>
September 19, 2017	School District Office
October 3, 2017	School District Office
October 17, 2017	School District Office
November 7, 2017	School District Office
November 28, 2017	School District Office
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## BOARD OF EDUCATION

### INFORMATION REPORT

**DATE:** April 25, 2017

**TO:** Board of Education

**FROM:** Brenda Point, District Vice Principal of Aboriginal Education and Janet Hall, Director of Instruction

**RE: STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE**

**ABORIGINAL EDUCATION ENHANCEMENT AGREEMENT UPDATE:**

District Vice Principal of Aboriginal Education, Brenda Point and Director of Instruction, Janet Hall will provide an update on the Strategic Plan as it relates to the following:

<b>Priority</b>	Strengthening meaningful relationships within and across schools, district and community to support success for students. (Community/Culture)
<b>Goal</b>	To foster, develop and enhance quality partnerships to improve student experiences and learning outcomes.
<b>Strategies</b>	
<b>1. Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Redevelop, strengthen and enhance the Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement (AEEA)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Review the existing AEEA</li> <li>b) Co-construct a plan in conjunction with the Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee for consultation with the Aboriginal Community</li> <li>c) Consult with local Aboriginal Community around goals and strategies to support Aboriginal student success</li> <li>d) Co-construct a five-year Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement</li> </ul>

**BACKGROUND:**

The Ministry of Education no longer requires school districts to submit Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreements, however, they do support the continued development of such agreements. We believe that the AEEA is foundational to ensuring we continue to focus on working with the Aboriginal Community and supporting our Aboriginal students. The development of a new Enhancement Agreement has taken place over the last year with input from the Aboriginal Community, school staff and the broader community. The goals have been developed and agreed upon by the Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee, and the strategies and actions steps are in development. The final document will be ready for the 2017/18 school year.

The Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement is intended to demonstrate SD33's commitment to supporting and enhancing the growth and development of *all* Aboriginal students.

**PRIORITY:** Strengthening meaningful relationships within and across schools, district and community to support success for students.

**GOAL:** To foster, develop and enhance quality partnerships to improve student experiences and learning outcomes.

**STRATEGY:** Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement – redevelop, strengthen and enhance the Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement.



## Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement

### The Process:

- Community Consultation – January to May 2016
- Survey – open to parents, caregivers, public and staff
- Themes identified from feedback
- Draft goals developed
- Review of Draft Agreement with Advisory Committee



### Themes:

- Pride
- Sense of Belonging
- Engagement
- Literacy and Numeracy Skills
- Graduating with real world skills
- Respect and understanding of culture
- Language
- Eliminate racism and stereotypes

### Revised Goals:

1. To increase Aboriginal students/families/guardians belonging and engagement at school.
2. To continue to increase academic success of all Aboriginal Students.
3. To continue to increase the respect and understanding amongst all students and staff, of language, culture, governance and history of Sto:lo and ALL Aboriginal Peoples.

### Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee (A. E. A. C.):

#### The Purpose of the A.E.A.C.

To ensure regular ongoing consultation, discussions and participation in the education of Aboriginal students.

#### A.E.A.C. Membership

**Co-Chairs:** Sandra Victor, Brenda Point

**Trustee Liaison:** Dan Coulter

**Executive Representative:** Janet Hall

#### Community Members:

Bev Williams, Violet George - Skwah FN  
Wendy Dunning - Soowahlie FN  
Sandra Victor - Cheam FN  
Gail Point - Squiala FN  
Wenona Victor - Skowkale FN  
Rose Greene - Tzeachten, Aitchelitz,  
Yakweakwioose FN  
Robert Gladstone - Shxwha:y FN  
Verna Dandenault - Metis  
Cheryl Gabriel - Kwantlen FN

#### SD 33 Staff Members:

Jessica Adams-Loupret, Senior Sec. Rep.  
Chuck Lawson, Alternate Ed. Rep.  
Wendy Mazurenko, Recorder  
Leslie Waddington, Elem. Representative  
Scott Wallace, Middle Representative

### Draft Strategies:

- Continue to co-plan and coordinate with Curriculum and Student Services staff to support literacy and numeracy development of Aboriginal students.
- Strengthen and enhance our community partnership programs for Aboriginal and ALL students.
- Collaborate on Aboriginal focused professional development and training for district staff.
- Offer high quality courses: Halq'eme'ylem Language Instruction, First Nations Studies and English First Peoples.

### Measures:

- Provincial Assessments
- District Literacy Assessments
- District Numeracy Assessments
- Graduation Rates
- Language – Participation and Achievement
- Attendance Rates
- Grade to Grade Transitions/Retention

### Next Steps:

- Determine final strategies and action steps for Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement.
- Share final Agreement with Chilliwack Board of Education and the community.
- Share A.E.E.A. with the community at two dinner events, one for north side and one for south side.

### Reference:

- **Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement (A.E.E.A.)** – District commitment to support and enhance learning for ALL Aboriginal students.
- **Local Education Agreement (L.E.A.)** – Local education agreement between School District 33 and local First Nations.
- **Halq'eme'ylem Place Name Chilliwack** - Ts'elxwéyeqw (Ch-ihl-kway-uhk) means “slough” referring to the many sloughs at the mouth of / top of / head of the Chilliwack River where it flows out of the valley and leads to the Fraser River.



## BOARD OF EDUCATION

### BOARD REPORT

**DATE:** April 25, 2017

**TO:** Board of Education

**FROM:** Barry Neufeld, BCSTA Representative

**RE: BC SCHOOL TRUSTEES' ASSOCIATION REPORT**

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This time is provided to discuss matters related to the British Columbia School Trustees' Association (BCSTA).



## BOARD OF EDUCATION

### STAFF REPORT

**DATE:** April 25, 2017  
**TO:** Board of Education  
**FROM:** Evelyn Novak, Superintendent  
**RE:** **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

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This time is provided for a report from Superintendent Novak.

## MEETING SUMMARY

### **In-Camera Meeting – April 11, 2017**

Trustees: Paul McManus, Walt Krahn, Dan Coulter, Silvia Dyck, Heather Maahs,  
Barry Neufeld, Bob Patterson

Staff: Evelyn Novak, Gerry Slykhuis, Tamara Ilersich, Kirk Savage,  
Diego Testa, Donna Vogel

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