

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

<u>Date of Meeting:</u> Tuesday, December 8, 2015

Location: School District Office

Members Present: Chair Mrs. S. Dyck

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

Staff Present Superintendent Ms. E. Novak

Secretary Treasurer Mr. Gerry Slykhuis
Assistant Superintendent Mr. R. Arul-pragasam

Executive Assistant Mrs. C. Pratt

1. CALL TO ORDER - School District Office

1.1. Call To Order

Board Chair called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

1.2. Welcome and Acknowledgment of Traditional Stò:lõ Territory

1.3. Adoption of the Agenda

242.15 Moved By: Trustee Krahn

Seconded By: Trustee Maahs

THAT the agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

1.3. Approval of Minutes

243.15 Moved By: Trustee Coulter

Seconded By: Trustee Maahs

THAT the minutes of the November 24, 2015 meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

2. PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

An opportunity was provided for public participation

4. <u>ACTION ITEMS</u>

4.1. Strategic Plan 2016-2021

244.15 Moved By: Trustee Krahn Seconded By: Trustee Coulter

THAT the Board of Education approve the Strategic Plan 2016-2021 as presented.

CARRIED

Welcome and Introduction of Allan VanTassel, new Director of Facilities and Transportation

4.2. Education Policy Advisory Committee Report

245.15 Moved By: Trustee Neufeld Seconded By Trustee Maahs

THAT the Board of Education receive the Education Policy Advisory Committee Meeting Report of December 1, 2015.

CARRIED

4.2.1. Policy 514 - Safe School

246.15 Moved By: Trustee Neufeld Seconded By: Trustee Coulter

THAT the Board of Education approve amended Policy 514 - Safe Schools.

CARRIED

4.2.2. Policy 906 - Community Use of Facilities

247.15 Moved By: Trustee Neufeld Seconded By: Trustee Krahn

THAT the Board of Education approve amended Policy 906 - Community Use of

Facilities.

CARRIED

4.2.3. Policy 908 - Historical Records Preservation

248.15 Moved By: Trustee Neufeld Seconded By: Trustee Maahs

THAT the Board of Education approve amended Policy 908– Historical Records

Preservation.

CARRIED

4.3. Policy 222 – Board Committees

249.15 Moved By: Trustee Coulter Seconded By: Trustee Krahn THAT the Board approve amended Policy 222 – Board Committees as presented.

CARRIED

For: Dyck, Coulter, McManus, Neufeld Opposed: Krahn, Maahs

Moved By: Trustee Maahs Seconded By: **NO SECONDER**

THAT we table this policy for now until we can have further discussions or the Superintendent can go back to the secondary schools for further discussion.

Moved By: Trustee Neufeld Seconded By: **NO SECONDER**

THAT this be referred to EPAC for input.

250.15 Moved By; Trustee Neufeld Seconded By: Trustee Krahn

THAT this Policy be referred back to the Board for discussion at its January 22nd Board Planning Session.

DEFEATED

For: Maahs, Neufeld, Krahn Opposed: Coulter, McManus, Dyck

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

5.1. Special Education Report

Nathan Ngieng, District Vice Principal of Student Services, provided an update of actions and strategies taken relative to the Special Education Review received by the Board in February 2013.

5.2. School Bus Replacement Funding

Secretary Treasurer Gerry Slykhuis provided an update on Ministry of Education funding for school bus replacements

5.3. BCSTA Report

Trustee Silvia Dyck provided information about the BC School Trustees Association.

5.4. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Novak provided information about the new BC Excellence Scholarship, the Ministry of Education's redesigned Provincial Scholarship Program. Ms. Novak also highlighted in her report, the Maker Movement, and the Professional Development opportunity SD33 teachers will have on February 19, 2016, at the district pro-d day to learn hands on about the approach. Teachers, once trained in Maker Day facilitation, will be able to bring the Maker Movement to their classroom, where students will have opportunities to create, to solve problems, and to learn together in authentic situations. SD33 has secured a grant from the Industry Training Authority for \$4300 to assist in the purchase and development of tool kits. These tool kits (tools & resources) from the proday will be available for student use on a sign out basis. In addition, partners at UFV have created a Maker Space in their university for not only their own student use, but also to share with SD33 Teachers who will have the opportunity to take their classes on a

Maker Day field trip to UFV in order to use their facility and equipment for a day of hands on learning.

5.5. Trustee Reports

Trustee Coulter reported on the following:

- Attended weekly Chair/Vice-Chair Planning Meetings
- Attended McCammon Turkey Lunch
- Attended EPAC Meeting
- Attended Aboriginal Enhancement Agreement Steering Committee Meeting
- Attended Aboriginal Education Committee Meeting
- Attended CSS PAC Meeting
- Attended BCSTA Trustee Academy

Trustee Dyck reported on the following:

- Attended weekly Chair/Vice-Chair Planning Meetings
- Attended BCSTA Trustee Academy
- Attended FV Branch Meeting
- Attended Bernard Elementary Wheelchair Basketball event
- · Attended Strategic Planning Meeting with the Board
- Attended DPAC Meetings

Trustee McManus reported on the following:

- Attended BCSTA Trustee Academy
- Attended Long Service Recognition event for 20+ years SD33 Staff
- Attended all-candidates meeting at GW Graham (for trustee by-election)
- Attended First Nations Christmas Dinner at Rosedale Traditional Community School
- Chilliwack Attended CYC Meeting
- Attended Strategic Planning meeting at SBO
- Attended Rosedale Traditional Community School Success Assembly
- Attended Promontory Elementary PAC Meeting

Trustee Maahs reported on the following:

- Delivered Christmas Cards to liaison schools
- Delivered long term recognition awards to staff that were unable to attend school board function
- Bernard Special Olympics wheel chair basketball, took part
- Attended EPAC committee
- Attended Board Strategic Planning Session
- Attended City Committee Reception
- Attended Turkey dinner at Evans Elementary
- Spoke with trainers for My Ed about progress

Trustee Neufeld reported on the following:

- Attended last CHC Breakfast and was very proud of SD33 Presentation
- Thanked Justine Hodge of DPAC for running by-election debates
- Amazed to see the Special Olympics at Bernard
- Attended Long Service Employee Recognition Event and MSMS to deliver cards to those who were unable to attend

Trustee Krahn

- Attended Trustee Martha Wiens' Funeral
- Attended BCSTA Chapter Meeting Langley
- Attended Superintendent's Performance Review
- Attended Fund-raiser for a Grade Two Student who was seriously injured Greendale Elementary
- Attended Remembrance Day Assembly at Tyson Elementary
- Attended the Remembrance Day Ceremony and represented the district at the Vedder Cenotaph
- Attended the Strategic Plan Review
- Attended Chilliwack Foundation AGM
- Attended school to hand out cards in recognition of Long Term Personnel

5.6. November 24, 2015 In-Camera Board Meeting Summary

Trustees: Silvia Dyck, Heather Maahs, Dan Coulter, Paul McManus, Barry Neufeld

Regrets: Walt Krahn

Staff: Evelyn Novak, Gerry Slykhuis, Rohan Arul-pragasam, Maureen Carradice, Carrie Pratt

- 1. Land Acquisition
- 2. BCPSEA Submission Exempt Staff Compensation
- 3. Parent Concern
- 4. CSS Project Update
- 5. Human Resources Report
- 6. Reception for Committee Members

5.7. Future Board of Education Meeting Date

Tuesday, January 19, 2016 7:00 pm School District Office

6. SUPPLEMENTARY PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Karen Jarvis, parent and community member, spoke about the Special Education Report Update presented at this evening's Board Meeting. Karen also shared her thoughts on Maker Day.

Leanne Clarke, CTA President, spoke about the public participation format at Board Meetings. Leanne shared her concerns about the Strategic Plan and teacher morale as it relates to MyEd implementation, ADS, the new curriculum and new photocopiers.

John Edwards, Trustee Candidate, thanked the Superintendent for her work on the Strategic Plan. He also commented on Policies 222 and 514 – Safe Schools.

7. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

251.15 Moved By: Trustee Coulter Seconded By: Trustee Krahn

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

CARRIED

Board Chair
Secretary-Treasurer