

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

<u>Date of Meeting:</u> Tuesday, January 19, 2016

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
Trustee Mr. B. Patterson

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 7:00 p.m.

1.2. Welcome and Acknowledgment of Traditional Stò:lõ Territory

1.3. Adoption of the Agenda

14.16 Moved By: Trustee Krahn

Seconded By: Trustee Coulter

THAT the agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

1.3. Approval of Minutes

15.16 Moved By: Trustee Patterson

Seconded By: Trustee Krahn

THAT the minutes of the December 8, 2015 meeting be approved as circulated. THAT the minutes of the January 7, 2016 meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

2. PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD

GWG Teacher Cheryl Tourand along with students Risa Nakahara and Danielle Gemmell presented information about the Global Travel and Tourism Partnership (GTTP). Risa and

Danielle, grade 11 students from GW Graham Middle Secondary, were awarded the honour of representing Canada at this year's conference held in France, December 2015.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

An opportunity was provided for public participation.

4. <u>ACTION ITEMS</u>

4.1. Budget Committee Report

16.16 Moved By: Trustee Krahn Seconded By: Trustee Coulter

THAT the Board of Education receive the Budget Committee Meeting Report of January 7, 2016 as presented.

CARRIED

17.16 Moved By: Trustee Krahn Seconded By: Trustee Maahs

THAT the Budget Committee develop an invitation and specifically invite DPAC and PAC Executives from each school to the budget presentation.

CARRIED

4.2. 2015-2016 Amended Annual Budget

18.16 Moved By: Trustee Maahs Seconded By: Trustee Krahn

THAT all three readings of the 2015-2016 Amended Annual Budget be done in one meeting.

CARRIED

19.16 Moved By: Trustee Maahs Seconded By Trustee Krahn

THAT the Board of Education approve the first reading of the 2015-2016 Amended Annual Budget Bylaw in the amount of \$137,448.721.

CARRIED

20.16 Moved By: Trustee Maahs Moved By: Trustee Coulter

THAT the Board of Education approve the second reading of the 2015-2016 Amended Annual Budget Bylaw in the amount of \$137,448.721.

CARRIED

21.16 Moved By: Trustee Maahs

Moved By: Trustee Krahn

THAT the Board of Education approve the third reading of the 2015-2016 Amended Annual Budget Bylaw in the amount of \$137,448.721.

CARRIED

4.3. <u>Local School Calendar 2016-2017 – Approval for Public Feedback</u>

22.16 Moved By: Trustee Krahn Seconded By: Trustee Coulter

THAT the Board of Education approves the draft 2016-2017 Local School Calendar as outlined, for feedback from employees, parents and public.

CARRIED

4.4. District Plan Review and Consultation

23.16 Moved By: Trustee Coulter Seconded By: Trustee Neufeld

THAT the Board of Education amend the April 7, 2015 **Motion 95.15** by substitution, **THAT** the Board of Education direct staff to complete a public consultation process regarding programs, facilities and grade reconfiguration in the district with a summary report to be presented by June 2017.

CARRIED

For: Patterson, Dyck, Coulter, Neufeld, Krahn, McManus

Opposed: Maahs

5. <u>INFORMATION ITEMS</u>

5.1. Quarterly Financial Report

Secretary Treasurer Gerry Slykhuis presented the 2015-2016 Quarterly Financial Report – October 2, 2015 to December 31, 2015.

5.2. BCSTA Report

Trustee Barry Neufeld provided information about the BC School Trustees Association.

24.16 Moved By: Trustee Neufeld Seconded By: Trustee Krahn

THAT the BCSTA urge the Ministry of Education to ensure there are additional mental health supports in place for the refugee children arriving in B.C. and further ensuring there is a process in place to coordinate Public Education services with the Provincial Refugee Mental Health Program.

CARRIED

5.3. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Novak reported on a number of information items in her report. Early French Immersion applications for Kindergarten totalled 37, with a wait-list of 15, similar to last year. It is anticipated that given previous years' trends, the District will be able to be accommodate all applicants for fall 2016. The Board was updated on Ministry information related to Syrian Refugees in BC, and that it is anticipated that no government sponsored Syrian refugees will be coming to Chilliwack. Ms. Novak also shared in her report the positive news that the district Hairstylist Foundation Program for Chilliwack SD students, will begin at Chilliwack Secondary in Semester 1 or 2 of the 2016/2017 school year. Information on the expansion of the Chilliwack Youth Health Centre located at the NLC and Stó:lõ Service Agency was also noted. The Health Centres offer integrated health services for youth ages 12 to 26, providing primary health care, mental health services screening and service for mild to moderate mental health

problems. The newest addition of a Family Doctor on site will provide additional health supports to the current counselling supports being offered by health care partners.

5.4. <u>Trustee Reports</u>

Trustee Coulter reported on the following:

- Attended weekly Chair/Vice-Chair Planning Meetings
- Attended CSS PAC Meeting
- Attended CSS International Dinner
- Attended Aboriginal Education Committee Meeting

Trustee Dyck reported on the following:

- Attended weekly Chair/Vice-Chair Planning Meetings
- Attended SSS Welding Award from the Marinucci Foundation
- Attended Superintendent Performance Review
- Attended Community School Constitution Meeting
- Attended All Leaders Meetings
- Attended International Dinner

Trustee McManus reported on the following:

- Attended All Leaders Breakfast Meeting
- Presented long term recognition award at FVDES Staff Meeting
- Attended CMS Staff meeting/presented long term recognition award
- Attended Cheam Elementary Pancake Breakfast
- Attended CYC Meeting
- Attended Promontory Elementary Pancake Breakfast
- Attended Promontory Elementary Success Assembly/presented long term recognition award
- Attended Cheam Elementary PAC Meeting
- Attended CMA Christmas Band Concert
- School District Office Tour & Staff Introductions
- Budget Committee Meeting
- Superintendent performance review meeting
- Board elections/swearing in ceremony for new trustee

Trustee Maahs reported on the following:

- Attended LME PAC Meeting
- Attended International Dinner
- Attended BAAC Meeting

Trustee Neufeld had nothing to report

Trustee Krahn

- Attended Budget Committee Meeting
- · Attended the Superintendent's Performance Review Meeting
- Attended G.W. Graham's Senior Boys' Basketball Game at a Tournament in Abbotsford. I would like to publically thank all Coaches through-out the District for sharing their time, expertise and passion for athletics!
- Visited G. W. Graham to develop a plan for connecting with the Student Council and Grad Committee.

Looking ahead...A Home Coming Event at Graham. The Music Department is
presenting a rather special event. Molly Wilson and Oliver Castillo, former students of
Graham are presenting a Comedy Cabaret.

Saturday, Jan., 30th at 7pm at the Graham Theatre.

Tickets are \$20.00 - available at the School Office or from Music students.

Trustee Patterson reported on the Following;

- Met with Superintendent
- Attended four liaison schools, impressed with community supports in place at schools and the school wide support system for individual students

5.5. December 8, 2015 In-Camera Board Meeting Summary

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

Staff: Evelyn Novak, Gerry Slykhuis, Carrie Pratt

- 1. Contract Renewal Assistant Superintendent
- 2. Statement of Financial Information (SOFI)
- 3. Human Resources Report
- 4. BCPSEA Report

5.6. Future Board of Education Meeting Date

Tuesday, February 23, 2016 7:00 pm School District Office

6. SUPPLEMENTARY PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Ed Kletke, CTA Vice President, commended Trustee Neufeld on his budget comments and shared concerns about PVP assignments related to teaching assignments for students with diverse learning needs, in addition to their administrative duties.

7. ADJOURNMENT

25.16 Moved By: Trustee Coulter Seconded By: Trustee Dyck

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

CARRIED
Board Chair
Secretary-Treasurer