



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

**Date of Meeting:** Tuesday, October 18, 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. Patterson
Trustee	Mr. B. Neufeld
Trustee	Mr. W. Krahn

**Staff Present:**

Superintendent	Ms. E. Novak
Secretary Treasurer	Mr. G. Slykhuis
Assistant Superintendent	Mr. R. Arul-pragasam
Director of Instruction	Mrs. J. Hall
Director of Facilities & Transportation	Mr. A. Van Tassel
Executive Assistant	Ms. C. Meeres

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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 7:06 p.m. - **Welcome and Acknowledgment of Traditional Stó:lō Territory.**

**1.2. Adoption of the Agenda**

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

THAT the agenda be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**1.3. Approval of Minutes**

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

THAT the minutes of the October 4, 2016 meeting be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**2. PRESENTATION - NATASHA BEARD**

Ms. Beard is a doctoral candidate in Human Development, Learning, and Culture in the Faculty of Education at the University of British Columbia. Her present research focuses on the education engagement of children and youth from culturally diverse and disenfranchised backgrounds, alternative education, and developmental psychology, particularly the development of imagination and creativity in children and youth. Natasha presented findings that was based on research with our students from our Ed. Centre, and as it relates to the District’s Strategic Plan and Alternate Education Review.

**3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

George Pede, Grandparent, and Kevin Klebe, Parent, shared their concerns relating to a recent student incident.

Dave Klyne, former teacher and administrator spoke on student programs in the District.

**4. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**4.1 Strategic Plan Update**

Janet Hall provided a strategic plan update as it relates to the following priorities and goals:

<b>Priority</b>	Improving student achievement and well-being through high quality instruction. <b>(Instruction)</b>
<b>Goal</b>	All students to meet or exceed grade level expectations in literacy and numeracy.
<b>3. Learning Supports and Interventions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Model and use evidence-based practices for early intervention and prevention</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Align supports within a Response To Intervention and Instruction Framework (Tier 1, 2, 3)</li> <li>• Continue to provide supports and focus to Early Learning</li> <li>• Provide professional learning opportunities that align with evidence-based</li> </ul>

**4.2 Learning Improvement Fund Allocation (LIF)**

Assistant Superintendent Arul-pragasam provided information regarding the Learning Improvement Fund.

**4.3 Cheam Elementary Parking Upgrade**

Allan Van Tassel, Director of Facilities and Transportation provided a presentation to the Board of Education regarding proposed changes to the Cheam Elementary parking area to address concerns and benefit student safety, specifically around parking and transportation of students. The project will include repairs to the pavement, a raised sidewalk and line painting to identify parking stalls. A gate has also been installed at the corner of Banford and Yale Road to allow students an opportunity to exit the busy road sooner.

**4.4 BCSTA Report**

Trustee Neufeld provided a report on the B.C. School Trustees Association.

**Motion to Extend Meeting**

179.16

Moved by: Trustee Maahs  
 Seconded by: Trustee Krahn

THAT the meeting be extended to 10:15 p.m.

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

#### **4.5 Superintendent's Report**

2016 Superintendent Novak presented her report for October 18, 2016. An update on the District Plan Review was provided including the following important dates:

- October 24 Community Partner Consultation at Alumni Hall, Neighborhood Learning Centre, CSS 1:00 to 2:30 pm
- October 24 Community Consultation at Alumni Hall, Neighborhood Learning Centre, CSS 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.
- October 25 Community Consultation at Sardis Secondary - 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.
- An On-line Survey to be provided for additional staff and parent feedback (TBA)

Superintendent Novak also reported on meetings being held with Middle School Principals with agenda items including changes to the calendar for middle school students and staff because of the change in Provincial Exams, and planning to create a model that would provide additional supports for students at risk.

#### **4.6 Trustee Reports**

##### **Trustee Coulter reported on the following:**

- Attended Chair Vice Chair meetings

##### **Trustee Dyck reported on the following:**

- Attended Chair Vice Chair meetings
- City of Chilliwack award ceremony for Honourable Steven Point and Dr. Gwen Point
- Attended the Fraser Valley Branch Meeting for the School Trustee Association

##### **Trustees McManus reported on the following:**

- Apple Delivery on World Teacher Day
- Tour of Chance Alternate with Troy Gibbs
- Liaison meeting with Chilliwack Middle's Principal and Vice-Principal
- Liaison meeting with Strathcona's Principal and Vice-Principal
- Attended the Fraser Valley Branch Meeting for the School Trustee Association

##### **Trustee Patterson reported on the following:**

- Distributed apples to recognize "World Teacher Day" to the staffs at SSS, Sardis Elementary, AD Rundle, Greendale and Evans Elementary
- Visited Sardis Secondary and met with Administration
- Visited AD Rundle and had a short tour of the school
- Visited Evans Elementary and met with the Principal
- Attended the recognition celebration, by the City, for Steven and Gwen Point
- Met with the Rotary representatives for the "Leader of Tomorrow" Program
- Visited GW Graham to review the Leader of Tomorrow Program with the Principal.
- Attended the Sardis Secondary "Spirit Assembly" where Jack Covey, a long time educator within our School District, was recognized for his incredible volunteer work at SSS
- Attended the 60th Birthday Celebration at Sardis Secondary School on October 13
- Attended the "Audit Committee" meeting yesterday
- Attended the Fraser Valley Chapter Meeting for the School Trustee Association.

##### **Trustee Neufeld reported on the following:**

- **Trustee Maahs**

- Delivered apples to my liaison schools
- Attended GW Graham's Principal's Awards
- Attended Audit Committee Meeting

**Trustee Krahn reported on the following:**

- Presented Apples at the Teacher/Staff Appreciation Day on Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>
- Connected with Unsworth Elementary-Learned about the SOAR Program
- Connected with Mount Slesse Middle-Learned about the positive results regarding the District's Transition Team
- Connected with Central Elementary-Learned about the positive initiatives around attendance
- Connected with McCammon Elementary-Learned about the successful partnerships in place to support students
- Fraser Valley Distance Ed-Learned about the complexity of funding and their initiatives around partnerships
- Attended the Audit Committee Meeting to review the Proposal Request around Enterprise Risk Management-Oct.17<sup>th</sup>
- Attended the Fraser Valley Chapter Meeting-Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>

**4.7 October 4, 2016 In-Camera Board Meeting Summary**

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

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

1. Executive Compensation Report
2. Human Resources Report
3. BCPSEA Report

**4.8 Future Board of Education Meeting Date**

**Tuesday, November 8, 2016**

7:00 pm

School District Office

**5. SUPPLEMENTARY PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Ed Klettke, CTA Vice-President commented on the pace and quantity of change in education.

Diane Braun, Parent and member of the Safer School Community Program spoke on the Cheam parking lot issue.

Justine, Chair of DPAC spoke on the consultation process, parking concerns at schools sites, and matters related to School Boards.

Dave Klyne, former teacher and administrator spoke on literacy and supports needed for students at risk.

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:09 p.m.

**CARRIED**

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Board Chair

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Secretary-Treasurer