



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

**Date of Meeting:** Tuesday, October 3, 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
Assistant Superintendent	Mr. R. Arul-pragasam
Director of Facilities & Transportation	Mr. A. Van Tassel
Assistant Secretary Treasurer	Mr. M. Friesen
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 7:02 p.m. - **Welcome and Acknowledgment of Traditional Stó:lō Territory.**

**1.2. Adoption of the Agenda**

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

THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**1.3. Approval of Minutes**

**138.17** Moved by: Trustee Maahs  
Seconded by: Trustee Coulter

THAT the minutes of the September 19, 2017 Regular Public Board meeting be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**2. QUESTION PERIOD**

CTA VP Ed Klettke asked if the Board of Education believes that teaching split classes requires more preparation and resources. Board Chair Paul McManus responded that it was not something the Board has discussed but it will do so and get back to him.

**3. PRESENTATION – STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE: ABORIGINAL EDUCATION ENHANCEMENT AGREEMENT**

Janet Hall, Director of Instruction, Brenda Point, District Vice Principal – Aboriginal Education, and Sandra Victor, Co-Chair of the Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee presented a Strategic Plan Update to the Board of Education on the TS'ELXWEYEQW (CH-IHI-KWAY-UHK) Chilliwack Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement (AEEA).

The Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee, in working with First Nations, Aboriginal and school communities, has completed the discussions, planning and development of our new CH-IHI-KWAY-UHK Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement.

The AEEA goals represent the common beliefs and values that guide educational planning at the district and school level; each school will include an Aboriginal student success goal in their school growth plans.

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 the language, culture, governance and history of Sto:lo and ALL Aboriginal peoples.

We believe that the education of Aboriginal students is the shared responsibility of the student, parent/guardian, family, community, school and school district. It is with this in mind that the Aboriginal Education Enhancement Agreement (AEEA) has been developed.

**4. ACTION ITEMS**

**4.1. Policy 222 – Board Committees**

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

THAT the Board of Education approve the amendment to Policy 222 – Board Committees as presented.

**CARRIED**

**4.2. Policy 233 – Recording of Regular Public Meetings**

**140.17** Moved by: Trustee Krahn

Seconded by: Trustee Patterson

THAT the Board of Education approve Policy 233 – Recording of Regular Public Meetings as presented.

**CARRIED**

**4.3. Board Regulation 233.1 – Recording of Regular Public Meetings**

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

THAT the Board of Education approve Board Regulation 233.1 – Recording of Regular Public Meetings as presented.

**CARRIED**

**4.4. Forms 233.1A & 233.1B – Parent & Staff/Public Consent for Recording – Regular Public Meetings**

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

THAT the Board of Education approve Forms 233.1A & 233.1B – Parent & Staff/Public Consent for Recording – Regular Public Meetings as presented.

**CARRIED**

**5. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**5.1 Enrolment Update**

Assistant Superintendent, Rohan Arul-pragsam provided a report on staffing, enrolment and instructional spaces.

**5.2 Transportation Administrative Regulations**

The following Administrative Regulations were presented for information:

- 710.1 – Transportation – Eligibility, Conditions and Registration
- 710.2 – Transportation – Operating Instructions
- 710.4 – Transportation – Registration and Fees

**5.3 Administrative Regulation 608.1 – Assistance Dogs in Schools**

Administrative Regulation 608.1 – Assistance Dogs in Schools and Form 608.1 – Assistance Dog Request Checklist were presented for information.

**5.4 BCSTA Report**

Trustee Neufeld reported that he will be attending BCSTA Provincial Council on October 27-28. Prior to that, he will share the Council resolutions in order to get the Board's views. He will also be attending the BCSTA Fraser Valley Branch's dinner meeting in Abbotsford on October 16.

**5.5 Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent Evelyn Novak was at a conference last week and, therefore, did not provide a report.

## **5.6 Trustee Reports**

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

- Attended the Reconfiguration – Implementation Advisory Committee on September 12.
- Attended the DPAC meeting on September 28.
- Attended the CSS Human Services Program opening ceremony – first year all three levels were in attendance. Representatives there: Big Brothers and Big Sisters, UFV Dean of Arts, Simon Fraser University, CSS.
- Attended Cheam startup BBQ.

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

- Attended two Chair/Vice Chair Meetings with Senior Administrators to plan agendas.
- September 26<sup>th</sup>: Visited Cultus Lake Elementary to connect with staff and administration. I learned about Outdoor Place-Based Learning, which promotes learning that is local and considers the unique history, environment and culture of Cultus Lake. The learning recognizes and uses students' own place or immediate schoolyard, neighborhood, town and community for learning. The school is certainly taking advantage of its unique surroundings! The School also has a great relationship with the Cultus Lake Park's Board who had delivered 20 picnic tables that were used for the School's "Welcome Back" BBQ held on September 25<sup>th</sup>.
- September 26<sup>th</sup>: Visited Vedder Middle and connected with Administration to chat about their start up and about the transition from Elementary to Middle. Looking forward to connecting with staff and attending special events as their Liaison Trustee.

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

- Attended the City's Transportation Advisory Committee meeting to explain that the school district did not have advance communication regarding plans to prohibit left turns into Evans Elementary.
- She is disappointed that the district has not received the FSA results from last year.
- Attended a Fairfield Island-City meeting regarding changes in that neighbourhood. It was a large meeting with about 600 people in attendance.

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

- The Board has received a lot of thank you letters and cards from students who received District Authority financial awards to assist them in their continuing studies.

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

- Attended the CMS Parent Open House on Thursday on September 21<sup>st</sup>.
- Attended the Chilliwack Healthier Community Meeting on September 26<sup>th</sup>.
- Attended the Evans PAC Meeting on September 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Attended the Chance Fall Fiesta on September 28<sup>th</sup>.

- Looking forward to dropping by a number of schools this Thursday to recognize World Teachers' Day.

**5.7 September 19, 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, Rohan Arul-Pragasam, Tamara Ilersich, Donna Vogel

1. Exempt Compensation
2. Superintendent Compensation
3. HR Report
4. BCPSEA Report
  - 4.1 Bargaining Vision Survey

**5.8 Next Board of Education Meeting Date**

**Tuesday, October 17, 2017  
7:00 pm  
School District Office**

**6. QUESTION PERIOD ON AGENDA ITEMS**

CTA VP Ed Klettke asked why the Education Policy Advisory Committee was not consulted on Policies 222 and 233. Trustee Silvia Dyck responded that these were governance policies of the Board that are not included in the mandate of the EPAC.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

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Board Chair

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Secretary-Treasurer