



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

<u>Date of Meeting:</u>	Tuesday, April 10, 2018
<u>Location:</u>	School District Office
Members Present:	Chair Mr. P. McManus Vice-Chair Mr. W. Krahn Trustee Mr. D. Coulter Trustee Mrs. H. Maahs Trustee Mr. B. Neufeld Trustee Mr. B. Patterson
Member Absent:	Trustee Mrs. S. Dyck (Medical Leave)
Staff Present:	Superintendent Ms. E. Novak Secretary Treasurer Mr. G. Slykhuis Assistant Superintendent Mr. R. Arul-pragasam Assistant Secretary Treasurer Mr. M. Friesen Executive Assistant Ms. D. Vogel

1. CALL TO ORDER - School District Office

1.1. Call to Order

The Board Chair called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. - **Welcome and Acknowledgment of Traditional Stó:lō Territory.**

Board of Education Vice Chair Walt Krahn expressed the Board's condolences regarding the tragic bus accident involving the Humboldt Broncos.

1.2. Amendment of the Agenda

58.18 Moved by: Trustee Maahs
Seconded by: Trustee Neufeld

That the agenda be amended to add the Information Report on Alternate Education as presented in the Board of Education Planning Session to the Regular Meeting Agenda.

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

1.3. Adoption of the Amended Agenda

59.18 Moved by: Trustee Maahs
Seconded by: Trustee Krahn

That the agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

1.4. Approval of the Minutes

60.18 Moved by: Trustee Patterson
Seconded by: Trustee Krahn

THAT the minutes of the March 13, 2018 Regular Public Board meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

2. QUESTION PERIOD

Questions:

- Cynthia Watson of GWG PAC asked about bussing and walking distances following Reconfiguration.
- Mohamed Rehmtulla asked how students would be transported to classes outside of their home schools.
- Ed Klettke, CTA Vice President, asked about planned Middle School programs.
- A question was received regarding who determines what is taught in district Classrooms.

Answers by Board Chair Paul McManus, other Trustees and district administration were as follows:

- There will be no changes to bussing and walking distances following Reconfiguration.
- The Board has a policy on Schools of Choice and students can take a bus as a courtesy rider depending on space available.
- Planning for Middle School programs in preparation for Reconfiguration continues to be in process and following timelines.
- Teachers are guided by the BC Provincial Curriculum in determining what is taught.

3. PRESENTATION – LEARNING TO LEAD: PACIFIC COMMUNITY RESOURCES SOCIETY

Daniel Gray of Pacific Community Resources Society provided a presentation on the Learning to Lead – Leadership & Resiliency Program.

In October 2013, the Pacific Community Resources Society (PCRS) received approval of a proposal submitted to the Public Safety Canada's Crime Prevention Action Fund, for a five-year Leadership & Resiliency Program (LRP) for School District #33 students ages 14-17, with the program starting in the spring of the 2014-15 school year. "Learning to Lead" (L2L) is a Leadership & Resiliency Program (LRP) that is designed to build youths' internal strengths and resiliency while curbing involvement in substance use and violence.

4. ACTION ITEMS**4.1. 2018 – 2019 Local School Calendar**

61.18 Moved by: Trustee Krahn
Seconded by: Trustee Patterson

THAT the Board of Education approve the 2018-2019 Local School Calendar as presented.

CARRIED

4.2. Budget Committee Report

62.18 Moved by: Trustee McManus
Seconded by: Trustee Coulter

THAT the Board of Education receive the Budget Committee Meeting Report of April 5, 2018 as presented.

CARRIED

4.3. 5-Year Capital Plan Bylaw

63.18 Moved by: Trustee Neufeld
Seconded by: Trustee Maahs

THAT the Board approve three readings of Capital Project Bylaw No. 18/19-CP-SD33-01 at the April 10, 2018 Regular Board Meeting.

CARRIED

4.4. 5-Year Capital Plan Bylaw

64.18 Moved by: Trustee McManus
Seconded by: Trustee Krahn

THAT the Board approve first reading of Capital Project Bylaw No. 18/19-CP-SD33-01.

CARRIED

4.5. 5-Year Capital Plan Bylaw

65.18 Moved by: Trustee Neufeld
Seconded by: Trustee Krahn

THAT the Board approve second reading of Capital Project Bylaw No. 18/19-CP-SD33-01.

CARRIED

4.6. 5-Year Capital Plan Bylaw

66.18 Moved by: Trustee Krahn
Seconded by: Trustee Neufeld

THAT the Board approve third reading and adoption of Capital Project Bylaw No. 18/19-CP-SD33-01.

CARRIED

4.7. Policy 806 – Opening and Closing of Schools & Board Regulation 806.1 – Opening and Closing of Schools

67.18 Moved by: Trustee Maahs
Seconded by: Trustee Neufeld

THAT the Board of Education enact the procedures contained in Policy 806 and Board Regulation 806.1 regarding closure of a school.

DEFEATED

For: Maahs, Neufeld

Opposed: Coulter, Krahn, McManus, Patterson

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

5.1 Reconfiguration – Implementation Advisory Committee Report

Committee Co-Chairs Trustee Bob Patterson and Superintendent Evelyn Novak provided a summary of the April 9, 2018 Reconfiguration – Implementation Advisory Committee meeting.

5.2 Preliminary Budget Assumptions 2018 – 2019

Secretary Treasurer Gerry Slykhuis provided an overview of the Preliminary Budget Assumptions for the 2018 – 2019 fiscal year.

5.3 Alternate Education (Type 3)

Assistant Superintendent Rohan Arul-pragasam provided information related to planning for Alternate Education in the Chilliwack School District.

5.4 BCSTA Report

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

5.5 Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Evelyn Novak reported on the following:

- Public Budget Presentation regarding program and service priorities as the Board of Education considers its 2018/19 operating budget: Thursday, April 19, 2018 – 7:00 p.m. at the Neighbourhood Learning Centre.
- Celebrating AD Rundle and partners: restructuring outside play spaces and play structures to better accommodate Middle School students, Van Maren Group of MidTown Development donated \$25,000 to complete Play Structure plans.
- Celebrating new District Website: the district has launched a new website that, proudly, was developed in house, which means the costs were significantly lower than they would have been with an external developer, and district IT staff have the knowledge to maintain the site.
- Celebrating our Sardis Secondary students: N'we Jinan Tour is a music initiative that brings a mobile recording studio into schools across First Nations communities in

Canada. SSS First Nations students wrote, recorded and filmed an amazing music video - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TKY3Mp9257c&sns=em>

5.6 Trustee Reports

Trustee Coulter reported on the following:

- The Trustee Meeting with First Nations Chiefs on March 15 was very productive. Trustees also need to connect with Chiefs beyond those in the Sto:lo Nation.

Trustee Krahn reported on the following:

- April 4 – attended the Trustee Meeting with MLAs Laurie Throness and John Martin.
- April 5 – attended the K-12 Education Funding Session in Abbotsford. The purpose of the session was for the panel, made up of Ministry staff and several Superintendents, to listen to the 6 Districts present their needs/challenges around current funding issues with the focus of looking for funding improvements in the future.
- April 5 – attended Budget Committee Meeting.
- April 6 – attended and served as a judge at Abbotsford's Reimer Middle School Speech Competition.
- April 9 – attended the Chair/Vice Chair Meeting to plan the agenda for the April 10 Board of Education meetings.
- April 9 – visited Promontory Heights Elementary to tour the new addition.
- April 9 – attended the Sardis Secondary PAC Meeting. As always, it is a pleasure to connect with parents in their planning and to listen to the School's many activities and initiatives. A most productive meeting!

Trustee Maahs reported on the following:

- Attended the Vimy Ridge Memorial Ceremony on April 9 and suggests that the Board of Education lay a wreath at this event in subsequent years.
- Expressed concern regarding district plan for Alternate Education.

Trustee Neufeld reported on the following:

- A Human Rights complaint has been lodged against him.
- Attended the April 4 Breakfast Meeting with MLAs.

Trustee Patterson reported on the following:

- Attended a meeting with Aboriginal Leaders on March 15.
- Attended the Chilliwack Healthier Community monthly meeting on March 27.
- Attended a follow-up meeting with our MLAs on April 4. As a Board we continue to provide current information about our School District, and, especially, the need for additional schools for our growing School District.
- Attended the Budget Meeting on Thursday, April 5.
- Co-chaired the Reconfiguration Implementation Advisory Committee Meeting on April 9.

5.7 March 13, 2018 In-Camera Board Meeting Summary

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

Member Absent: Trustee Silvia Dyck (Medical Leave)

Staff: Evelyn Novak, Gerry Slykhuis, Rohan Arul-Pragasam, Tamara Ilersich, Donna Vogel

1. School Act Section 15 – Suspensions
2. Chilliwack Resident Challenge to the Use of Learning Resource SOGI 123
3. HR Report
4. BCPSEA Report

5.8 Next Board of Education Meeting Date

**Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, April 24, 2018
7:00 pm
School District Office**

6. QUESTION PERIOD ON AGENDA ITEMS

Questions:

- Questions were received regarding the electives to be offered at Middle School.

6.1 Motion to Extend Regular Board Meeting

68.18

Moved by: Trustee Maahs
Seconded by: Trustee Krahn

THAT the Board extend the Regular Public Board Meeting.

CARRIED

- Sandra Devenney asked for a description of Child and Youth Care Workers in schools.
- Diane Braun, DPAC VP, asked about Education Centre childcare spaces and the status of new portables.
- Mohamed Rehmtulla asked if parents had been consulted regarding Alternate Education redesign.
- Shana Kirkland, CUPE 411 President, asked about the \$80,000 budgeted for the upcoming School Board election.

Answers by Board Chair Paul McManus, other Trustees and district administration were as follows:

- There will continue to be electives, or Exploratories, offered at Middle Schools.
- Child and Youth Care workers support students with alternate learning needs.
- The district is consulting with MCFD regarding childcare spaces.
- Parents have been consulted during the multi-year process of planning for Alternate Education redesign.
- All new portables will be in the district by the end of April.
- The funds budgeted for the election mainly cover the cost of the city running the election for the district.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:11 p.m.

Board Chair

Secretary-Treasurer