



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

**Date of Meeting:** Tuesday, May 8, 2018

**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. Patterson

**Regrets:** Trustee Mr. B. Neufeld

**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

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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 7:00 p.m. - **Welcome and Acknowledgment of Traditional Stó:lō Territory.**

Board of Education Chair Paul McManus welcomed Trustee Dyck back from her medical leave.

**1.2. Adoption of the Agenda**

**81.18** Moved by: Trustee Krahn  
Seconded by: Trustee Dyck

That the agenda be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**1.3. Approval of the Minutes**

**82.18** Moved by: Trustee Coulter

Seconded by: Trustee Krahn

THAT the minutes of the April 24, 2018 Regular Public Board meeting be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED**  
Abstained: Dyck

**2. QUESTION PERIOD**

The Chair called for questions from the public.

No questions were asked.

**3. ACTION ITEMS**

**3.1. Education Policy Advisory Committee Report**

**83.18** Moved by: Trustee Coulter  
Seconded by: Trustee Dyck

THAT the Board of Education receive the Education Policy Advisory Committee Meeting Report of April 30, 2018.

**CARRIED**

**3.2. Policy 601: Learning Resources**

**84.18** Moved by: Trustee Maahs  
Seconded by: Not Seconded

THAT the Superintendent obtain a legal opinion regarding the culpability of the Board of Education in the absence of a process to approve learning resources.

**FAILED**

**3.3. Policy 601: Learning Resources**

**85.18** Moved by: Trustee Dyck  
Seconded by: Trustee Krahn

THAT the Board of Education refer Policy 601 – Learning Resources to Superintendent Novak for revisions.

**CARRIED**

**3.4. Schedule of Board Meetings 2018 – 2019**

**86.18** Moved by: Trustee Maahs  
Seconded by: Trustee Patterson

THAT the Board of Education approve Option 2: Board Meeting Schedule – 16 Meetings for the 2018-2019 school year Board of Education meetings.

**CARRIED**  
For: Dyck, Krahn, Maahs, Patterson  
Opposed: Coulter, McManus

**3.5. Budget Committee Report**

**87.18** Moved by: Trustee McManus  
Seconded by: Trustee Krahn

THAT the Board of Education receive the Budget Committee Meeting Report of May 3, 2018 as presented.

**CARRIED**

**3.6. 2018 – 2019 Budget Approval – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

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

THAT the Board of Education approve the first reading of 2018-2019 Annual Budget Bylaw at the May 8, 2018 Regular Board Meeting in the amount of \$153,321,625.

**CARRIED**

**5. INFORMATION ITEMS****5.1 Quarterly Financial Report**

Secretary Treasurer Gerry Slykhuis presented the quarterly financial report of March 31, 2018.

**5.2 BCSTA Report**

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

**5.3 Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent Evelyn Novak reported on the following:

1. 2018 – 2019 Changing Results for Young Children (CR4YC) initiative
  - Ministry of Education and the United Way of the Lower Mainland are funding the expansion of CR4YC from the 2017/18 3 to 13 provincial sites.
  - The focus has shifted to include community-based Early Childhood Educators, Strong Start Facilitators and Kindergarten Teachers.
  - CR4YReaders is focused on Literacy and CR4YChildren is focusing on social and emotional wellbeing.
  - CR4YC is a cross-district initiative with three School Districts participating in the Fraser Valley – Chilliwack, Abbotsford and Mission – with a total of twenty-four participants (eight/district).
  - Chilliwack will have 2 school sites involved.
2. Partners in Learning
  - Friday, May 4 Strathcona Elementary/City Bat House Install – students made and installed 8 Bat Houses around Fairfield Island Park with help from City staff.
  - Elder in residence at UFV, Eddie Gardner, opened the day for the students and shared a song about the importance of Salmon; students in turn sang the song they wrote about bats for Eddie.

### 3. Ignite

- May 7, 2018 - evening of connecting and learning with 90 teachers in attendance.
- Ignite presenters share one of their passions in a 5 minute presentation consisting of 20 slides set to automatically advance after 15 seconds each – whether they are ready or not!
- Thank you to staff for courageous leadership and collaboration.

## 5.4 Trustee Reports

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

- Wrote letter of support for Justine Hodge's BCCPAC George Matthews Award.
- Attended Skowkale Longhouse Gala on May 5.
- Attended Aboriginal Education Advisory Committee meeting on May 8 and participated in the Longhouse Extension Program.

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

- Attended CSS PAC meeting on May 7.
- Congratulations on BCCPAC Awards: Justine Hodge – George Matthews Award and Michelle McGrath – Outstanding Volunteer.

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

- Attended two Chair/Vice Chair Planning Meetings.
- April 25 – attended the Youth Work and Train Celebration.
- April 26-27 – attended the BCSTA AGM.
- May 3 – attended the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Balancing our Minds Mental Health and Wellness Day at C.H.A.N.C.E. Shxwetelthet Alternate School.
- May 3 – attended the Budget Committee Meeting.
- May 4 – Attended Grandparents' Day at Greendale Elementary.
- May 4 – attended Bowls of Hope fundraiser.
- May 7 0 attended Cheam Elementary's Spring Production.

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

- Attended the Youth Work and Train Dinner on April 25.
- Attended the Education Policy Advisory Committee meeting on April 30.
- Attended the Budget Committee meeting on May 3.
- Attended the Special Ed Advisory Committee meeting on May 7.
- Visited teacher Joe Massie's agriculture class at SSS to see newly hatched chicks, the chicken coop built by students, and learned a few things about aphids and what to look for in greenhouse plants.
- Grateful for Mrs. Zacharias, teacher at Cheam Elementary, and the production of Charlotte's web.

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

- Attended the BCSTA AGM.
- Attended the Chilliwack Bowls of Hope Fundraising Dinner.

## 5.5 April 24, 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)

Regret: Trustee Bob Patterson

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

1. Exempt Staff Compensation
2. Legal Update
3. HR Report
4. BCPSEA Report

**5.6 Next Board of Education Meeting Date**

**Regular Board Meeting  
Tuesday, May 29, 2018  
7:00 pm  
School District Office**

**6. QUESTION PERIOD ON AGENDA ITEMS**

The Chair called for questions from the public regarding agenda items.

A question was received Draft Policy 601: Learning Resources.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

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

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Board Chair

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Secretary-Treasurer