



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

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, September 18, 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. 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
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 7:04 p.m. - **Welcome and Acknowledgment of Traditional Stó:lō Territory.**

1.2. Adoption of the Agenda

123.18 Moved by: Trustee Patterson
Seconded by: Trustee Neufeld

THAT the agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

1.3. Approval of Minutes

124.18 Moved by: Trustee Krahn
Seconded by: Trustee Dyck

THAT the minutes of the June 12, 2018 Regular Public Board meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED
Abstained: Neufeld

2. QUESTION PERIOD

The Chair called for questions from the public.

A question was received regarding The British Columbia Training and Education Savings Grant.

3. PRESENTATION – 2018 SUMMER LEARNING REPORT

The Chilliwack School District's 2018 Summer Learning (SL) Program was held at the Chilliwack Secondary site at 46361 Yale Road. The program administrator was Acting Vice Principal Galen Soon.

The total number of students who attended the SL program was 601. These students were at the elementary level (459), middle school level (83) and high school level (59). The high school program consisted of students in a class called Sustainable Vegetable Production 12, which took place at the Sardis Secondary School Farm on Richardson Avenue.

This year's program saw increased diversification of program offerings including: Outdoor Adventures, Writing Warriors, and Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) Support. The Summer Learning program experienced exponential growth of students with exceptionalities growing from 57 students in 2017 to 93 students in 2018. Students with low incidence designations increased nearly threefold from 2017. Targeted special education supports were provided as part of Summer Learning 2018 through supplemental funding from the Ministry of Education. Specialized support included nine Education Assistants (EAs), an Occupational Therapist (OT) and an AAC support teacher.

In addition, there was a focus on increasing the respect and understanding amongst all students and staff of the language, culture, governance and history of the Sto:lo and all aboriginal peoples. This was possible through a partnership with the Aboriginal Education Department, bannock making and a visit to the Sto:lo longhouse where students enrolled in the Summit program participated in the Kairos blanket activity, which provided participants an opportunity to learn about the impact of colonization on indigenous communities.

There were 28 teachers, 9 EAs and 1 Acting Vice Principal for a total of 38 staff who supported learners at Summer Learning.

PRESENTATION – MIND OVER METAL CAMP

The CWB Welding foundation hosted a Mind over Metal camp in collaboration with the SD #33 Aboriginal Education Department and Sardis Secondary School from August 20 to August 24, 2018. Mind over Metal was a week-long introductory welding camp for students ages 12-15. The goal of the Mind over Metal camps is to provide an opportunity for students in this age range, who may otherwise not have the opportunity to be introduced to the welding trade, to try welding in a safe, learning environment. Mind over Metal is an initiative that was started by the CWB Welding Foundation three years ago with two pilot camps. Since then, Mind over Metal has expanded to an anticipated 82 camps this year, hosted at high schools and post-secondary schools across the country. The camp at Sardis Secondary was sponsored by LNG Canada and focused on Indigenous youth, from the Stó:lō Nation and surrounding area.

4. ACTION ITEMS

4.1. Audit Committee Report

125.18 Moved by: Trustee Krahn
Seconded by: Trustee Neufeld

THAT the Board of Education receive the Audit Committee Meeting Report of September 10, 2018 as presented.

CARRIED

4.2 2017 – 2018 Audited Financial Statements

126.18 Moved by: Trustee Coulter
Seconded by: Trustee Krahn

THAT the Board approve the 2017-2018 Audited Financial Statements and forward to the Ministry of Education.

CARRIED

4.3 710 Policy: Transportation

127.18 Moved by: Trustee Dyck
Seconded by: Trustee Krahn

THAT the Board of Education approve Policy 710 – Transportation as presented.

CARRIED

4.4 601 Policy: Learning Resources

128.18 Moved by: Trustee Maahs
Seconded by: Trustee Neufeld

THAT the Board of Education obtain a legal opinion on the revised Policy 601: Learning Resources.

129.18 Moved by: Trustee Dyck
Seconded by: Trustee Krahn

THAT the Board of Education refer the Motion to obtain a legal opinion on the revised Policy 601: Learning Resources to the October 2, 2018 Regular Board Meeting.

CARRIED

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

5.1 710.1 Administrative Regulation: Transportation – Eligibility Conditions & Registration

Secretary Treasurer Gerry Slykhuis presented Administrative Regulation 710.1 for information.

5.2 711.1 Administrative Regulation: Rental Vehicles

Assistant Secretary Treasurer Mark Friesen presented Administrative Regulation 711.1 for information.

5.3 Strategic Plan Update: Operations Summer Report/Maintenance Activities

Director of Facilities & Transportation Al Van Tassel provided a report on Operations Summer Maintenance Activities.

5.4 Trustee Remuneration

Policy 227 states that trustee remuneration will be adjusted annually effective July 1 each year. The adjustment will reflect the Canadian Consumer Price Index (CPI) established for July of each year for the previous 12 months. CPI for the twelve months ending June 30, 2018 was 2.5% higher. Therefore, trustee remuneration was adjusted effective July 1, 2018.

5.5 Enrolment Updates

Assistant Superintendent Rohan Arul-pragsam presented an enrollment report as of September 17, 2018.

5.6 BCSTA Report

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

5.7 Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Evelyn Novak reported on the following:

- The year ahead 2018/2019 – Optimism, Opportunity, Ownership.
- Our Purpose – Student Success: Every student a graduate prepared for opportunities beyond graduation.
- Framework for enhancing student learning: system-wide focus, multi-year district and school plans, meaningful and effective evidence, system-wide capacity building.
- Student Success – The How: high quality instruction, community & culture, social emotional wellness, aligning & allocating resources.
- The year ahead:
 - Focus on achievement – results oriented.
 - Year of implementation: reconfiguration and redesigned curriculum.
 - Meaningful effective evidence.
 - New assessments.
 - System support and capacity building.
- Promontory Addition.
- Middle School playgrounds.
- New south side school.
- Appreciation for our staff – Thank You.

5.8 Trustee Reports

Trustee Dyck reported on the following:

- Attended the SSS Farm Event on August 23.
- Attended the Board Planning Meeting on September 11.
- Attended the Audit Committee Meeting on September 10.
- Attended the Official Grand Opening of the Promontory Heights Community School's Addition and toured the site of the new K-8 Elementary/Middle School on Tyson South on September 17.

Trustee Krahn reported on the following:

- July 4 – 7: Attended the Canadian School Boards Association Conference.
- August 23: Attended the SSS Farm Event.
- September 10: Chaired the Audit Committee Meeting.

- Attended 3 Chair/Vice-Chair Planning Meeting with Senior Admin.
- September 11: Attended the Board Planning Meeting.
- September 17: Attended the Official Grand Opening of the Promontory Heights Community School's Addition.
- September 17: Toured the site of the new K-8 Elementary/Middle School on Tyson South.
- September 17: Toured the new Cheam Elementary Parking Lot.

Trustee Patterson reported on the following:

- As the representative of the Board, I continue to serve as co-chair of the Chilliwack Healthier Community.
- Attended the Audit Committee meeting on September 10.
- Attended the September 17 Grand Opening of the Promontory Elementary addition and the announcement of a new 900 student body K – 8 school to be located at the south end of Tyson Road in Sardis.
- With the Reconfiguration Process now complete, I am expecting that our work with our Middle School students, especially, will show positive results.

5.9 June 12, 2018 In-Camera Board Meeting Summary

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

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

1. Employee Engagement Survey
2. Human Resources Report
3. BCPSEA Report

5.10 Next Board of Education Meeting Date

**Tuesday, October 2, 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 regarding Policy 710: Transportation.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:57 p.m.

Board Chair

Secretary-Treasurer