



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

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, November 27, 2018

Location: School District Office

Members Present:

Chair	Mr. D. Coulter
Vice-Chair	Ms. W. Reichelt
Trustee	Dr. D. Furgason
Trustee	Mrs. H. Maahs
Trustee	Mr. B. Neufeld
Trustee	Mr. D. Swankey

Regrets:

Trustee	Mr. J. Mumford
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Staff Present:

Acting Superintendent	Mr. R. Arul-pragasam
Secretary Treasurer	Mr. G. Slykhuis
Assistant Secretary Treasurer	Mr. M. Friesen
Director of Human Resources	Ms. T. Ilersich
Director of Instruction	Mr. K. Savage
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 7:00 p.m. - **Welcome and Acknowledgment of Traditional Stó:lō Territory.**

1.2. Adoption of the Agenda

152.18 Moved by: Trustee Neufeld
Seconded by: Trustee Swankey

THAT the agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

1.3. Approval of October 2, 2018 Minutes

153.18 Moved by: Trustee Neufeld
Seconded by: Trustee Reichelt

THAT the minutes of the October 2, 2018 Regular Public Board meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

1.4. Approval of Amended November 13, 2018 Inaugural Meeting Minutes

154.18 Moved by: Trustee Maahs
Seconded by: Trustee Swankey

THAT the minutes of the November 13, 2018 Inaugural Regular Public Board meeting be approved as amended to change "Trustee Oath of Office" to "Trustee Oath/Affirmation of Office."

CARRIED

2. QUESTION PERIOD

The Chair called for questions from the public.

No questions were received.

3. PRESENTATION – GRAHAM X

Chuck Lawson, Principal of GW Graham, teachers Ken Larsen, David Simington, Courtenay See, Louis Abraham and Marijke Campbell, EA Dane Geham and student Haley Lisks presented on Graham X.

Graham X started this year with 130 students enrolled in the program. Graham X is a cross-curricular, place-based and outdoor learning program that offers students the chance to experience our local environment. Students learn the curriculum of various courses through the lens of hands-on experiences. Students in Graham X develop an understanding of personal and social responsibility, working collaboratively, and thinking critically to explore issues and ideas associated with different topics in our community.

PRESENTATION – STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE: MENTAL HEALTH LITERACY ENHANCING THE PATHWAY THROUGH CARE FOR YOUTH

David Manuel, District Principal Special Education, Brenda Calendino, District High Incidence Coordinator, Cathy Preibisch, Counsellor, Alyson King, Homebound & Alternate Support Coordinator and Jessica Adams-Louporet, Vice Principal, Chilliwack Secondary provided a Strategic Plan Update regarding mental health literacy.

Awareness of mental health and mental illness is rising across Canada. In the Chilliwack School District, we have embarked on a plan to enhance mental health literacy from K-12, ensuring that young people have the knowledge, attitudes and competencies to help themselves and others if necessary. Mental Health literacy has four components:

1. Understanding how to optimize and maintain good mental health
2. Understanding mental disorders and their treatments
3. Decreasing stigma
4. Enhancing self-seeking efficacy

Goal:

To increase Mental Health Literacy (MHL) and Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) for students, staff and parents across the district using a coordinated system-wide approach.

Objectives:

1. To increase MHL among the student services team as district leaders
2. To increase MHL among all principals and vice principals as school leaders
3. To provide Grade 9 teachers with training and resources to support the delivery of MHL within the Physical and Health Education 9 curriculum
4. To establish a team of “MHL/SEL champions” for each school (elementary and middle) who have the understanding and resources to develop a school-wide strategy for their site
5. To provide training in MHL and SEL for all education assistants
6. To provide ongoing specialized staff training and resources in MHL and SEL: Resource Teachers, Learning Assistance Teachers, Counsellors, Child and Youth Care Workers, Education Assistants, Inclusion Support teachers, In-house Alternate teachers
7. To provide all SD 33 staff with the opportunity to complete the self-paced online UBC course on MHL
8. To provide opportunities for SD 33 parents to be aware of mental health concerns using MHL training and resources

4. ACTION ITEMS

4.1. Budget Committee Report

155.18 Moved by: Trustee Reichelt
Seconded by: Trustee Furgason

THAT the Board of Education receive the Budget Committee Meeting Report of November 21, 2018 as presented.

CARRIED

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

5.1 BC Tripartite Education Agreement

Janet Hall, Director of Instruction, provided background on the British Columbia Tripartite Education Agreement and its implications for the Chilliwack School District. A renewed BC Tripartite Education Agreement: Supporting First Nation Student Success (BCTEA) was signed by Canada, British Columbia and the First Nations Education Steering Committee in July 2018.

5.2 Quarterly Financial Report

Gerry Slykhuis, Secretary Treasurer, presented the Quarterly Financial Report – September 30, 2018.

5.3 Budget Timelines/Financial Reporting

Gerry Slykhuis, Secretary Treasurer, reviewed the Budget Timeline and Financial Reporting for 2018/19.

5.4 Board Committees

Dan Coulter, Board Chair, provided an update on Trustee representation on Board Committees.

5.5 BCSTA Report

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

5.6 Trustee Reports

Trustee Coulter reported on the following:

- Laid Wreath at Sto:lo Cenotaph on Remembrance Day
- Conversations with new Mayor

Trustee Furgason reported on the following:

- Concern regarding proposed use of alleyway near Chilliwack Middle School for entrance into a new city development

Trustee Maahs reported on the following:

- Employee Long Service Recognition event
- Trustee Orientation
- East Chilliwack Elementary ongoing dialogue with PAC chair
- Chaired Audit Committee meeting
- Laid Wreath at Vedder Cenotaph on Remembrance Day

Trustee Reichelt reported on the following:

- Chaired Budget Committee meeting
- Attended the BCSTA FV meeting

Trustee Swankey reported on the following:

- Thank you to District staff for Trustee onboarding process
- Attended the BCSTA FV meeting
- Employee Long Service Recognition event
- Budget Committee meeting
- Central Elementary PAC Fundraiser
- Audit Committee meeting
- Heritage Chilliwack grant program for field trips

5.7 October 16, 2018 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, Tamara Ilersich, Donna Vogel

1. Property Purchase
2. Public Sector Executive Compensation Report
3. Human Resources Report
4. BCPSEA Report

5.8 November 1, 2018 Special In-Camera Board Meeting Summary

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

Staff: Gerry Slykhuis

1. Superintendent Medical Leave
2. Human Rights Complaint

5.9 Next Board of Education Meeting Date

**Tuesday, December 11, 2018
7:00 pm
School District Office**

6. QUESTION PERIOD ON AGENDA ITEMS

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

Questions were received regarding:

- How questions and answers related to the Public Budget Presentation will be dealt with during the April 30, 2019 Regular Public Board meeting. This will be considered by the Budget Committee.
- How the District handles budget surpluses. Surpluses go into unrestricted reserve funds and, coming up, will be used to fund the new Southside school and additional portables.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Board Chair

Secretary-Treasurer