



**THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
School District #33 (Chilliwack)
Regular Public Board Meeting
AGENDA
October 22, 2019
7:00 pm**

1. CALL TO ORDER – School District Office

- 1.1. Call to Order - **Welcome and Acknowledgment of Stó:lō Territory**
- 1.2. Adoption of the Agenda
(THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.)
- 1.3. Approval of the Minutes
(THAT the minutes of the October 1, 2019 Regular Board Meeting and the October 9, 2019 Special Regular Board Meeting be approved as circulated.)

2. PRESENTATION

- 2.1. Strategic Plan Update: Continuing Education

3. ACTION ITEMS

- 3.1. Red-Light-Runners
- 3.2. Recognizing District History & Heritage
- 3.3. Letter Grades

4. INFORMATION ITEMS

- 4.1. Menstrual Product Update
- 4.2. BCSTA Report
- 4.3. Trustee Reports
- 4.4. Meeting Summaries: Committee of the Whole & In-Camera
- 4.5. **Next Board of Education Meeting: November 5, 2019 – 7:00 p.m.**

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE AGENDA

6. ADJOURNMENT



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

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, October 1, 2019

Location: School District Office

Members Present:

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

Regrets:

Chair	Mr. D. Coulter
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Staff Present:

Acting Superintendent	Mr. R. Arul-pragasam
Secretary Treasurer	Mr. G. Slykhuis
Assistant Secretary Treasurer	Mr. M. Friesen
Acting Assistant Superintendent	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

228.19 Moved by: Trustee Furgason
Seconded by: Trustee Maahs

THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

1.1. Approval of the Minutes

229.19 Moved by: Trustee Swankey
Seconded by: Trustee Mumford

THAT the minutes of the September 17, 2019 Regular Public Board Meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

2. PRESENTATION: STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE – MDI (MIDDLE YEARS DEVELOPMENT INSTRUMENT)

Priority	Strengthening meaningful relationships within and across schools, district and community to support success for students. (Community & Culture)
Goal	All students to meet or exceed grade level expectations in literacy and numeracy.
Strategy	<p>Develop a Framework of Community Support From The Analysis of Middle Years Development Instrument With Partners</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assess the 5 areas of development that are linked to well-being, health and academic achievement, and put into place specific strategies that enhance outcomes for middle years students.

- The Middle Years Development Instrument (MDI) is a self-report questionnaire completed by students in Grade 4 ([link to survey](#)) and Grade 7 ([link to survey](#)). It asks students how they think and feel about their experiences both inside and outside of school. Both the Grade 4 questionnaire and the Grade 7 questionnaire include questions related to the five areas of development that are strongly linked to **well-being, health and academic achievement**.
 - ✓ **Physical Health & Well-Being** - Students evaluate their own physical well-being in the areas of overall health including body image, nutrition and sleeping habits
 - ✓ **Connectedness** - Students are asked about their experiences of support and connection with the adults in their schools and neighbourhoods, with their parents or guardians at home, and with their peers.
 - ✓ **Social and Emotional Development** - Students respond to questions about their current social and emotional functioning in 7 areas: optimism, self-esteem, happiness, empathy, prosocial behaviour, sadness and worries.
 - ✓ **School Experiences** – Students are asked about their school experiences in 4 areas: academic self-concept, school climate, school belonging, and experiences with peer victimization (bullying).
 - ✓ **Use of After-School Time** - Students are asked about the time they spend engaged in organized activities such as sports, music and art, as well as the time they spend watching TV, doing homework and playing video games.
- The results for key MDI measures are summarized by two indices:
 - ✓ **The Well-Being Index** consists of measures relating to children’s physical health and social and emotional development that are of critical importance during the middle years: Optimism, Self-Esteem, Happiness, Absence of Sadness and General Health.
 - ✓ **The Assets Index** consists of measures of key assets that help to promote students’ positive development and well-being. Assets are resources and influences present in student’s lives such as supportive relationships and enriching activities. The MDI measures five types of assets: Adult Relationships, Peer Relationships, Nutrition and Sleep, After-School Activities and School Experiences. The School Experiences asset is not reported as part of the Assets Index to prevent the ranking of individual schools or districts.
- In total 16,508 grade 4 students and 14,026 grade 7 students from 28 school districts and independent schools took part in the MDI for the 2018-2019 school year. Chilliwack School District had 933 grade 4 students (85%), and 914 grade 7 students (87%) take part in the 2018-2019 MDI surveys. The [Chilliwack School District Community Report](#) for Grade 4 and 7 can be accessed on the MDI website with summary information presented to the Board of Education.

3. ACTION ITEMS**3.1. School Site Acquisition Charge**

230.19 Moved by: Trustee Swankey
Seconded by: Trustee Mumford

That the Board of Education adopt the information contained in the Eligible School Sites Proposal by resolution as presented. *[See Resolution at the end of the Minutes.]*

CARRIED

4. INFORMATION ITEMS**4.1 Enrolment Update**

Acting Superintendent Rohan Arul-pragsam presented an enrollment report as of September 30, 2019.

4.2 Menstrual Product Update

Secretary Treasurer Gerry Slykhuis provided a status update on the implementation of free menstrual products for students in the district.

4.3 BCSTA Report

Matters related to the British Columbia School Trustees' Association (BCSTA) were discussed.

4.4 Trustee Reports**Trustee Maahs reported on the following:**

- Notice of motion regarding letter grades moved to the October 22 Board Meeting.
- September 28 – Central Elementary 90th Birthday Celebration.
- September 29 – Jenn Smith Chilliwack presentation.

Trustee Swankey reported on the following:

- September 19 – Central Elementary's welcome back BBQ.
- September 20 – Climate Strike.
- September 23 – AD Rundle Cops for Cancer Tour de Valley.
- September 26 – DPAC Meeting.
- September 27 – Climate Strike.
- September 27 – BCSTA Legislative Committee Meeting.
- September 28 – Central Elementary's 90th Birthday Celebration.
- September 30 – joined CSS in acknowledging Orange Shirt Day.

Trustee Reichelt reported on the following:

- September 20 – Climate Strike.
- September 23 – Cheam Elementary Terry Fox Run and Pizza Dinner.
- September 24 – Cultus Lake Elementary BBQ.
- September 27 – Climate Strike.
- September 28 - Central Elementary's 90th Birthday Celebration.
- September 30 - Reconciliation Walk for Orange Shirt Day at CSS.

Trustee Neufeld reported on the following:

- September 29 – Jenn Smith Chilliwack presentation.

Trustee Mumford reported on the following:

- September 18 – CMS welcome BBQ.
- September 23 – Chaired CHC meeting.
- September 28 - Central Elementary's 90th Birthday Celebration.
- September 30 – Strathcona Elementary.
- October 1 – Orange Shirt Day at Greendale Elementary.

Trustee Furgason reported on the following:

- September 28 - Central Elementary's 90th Birthday Celebration.
- September 29 – Jenn Smith Chilliwack presentation.
- Notice of motion – Warming Centre on Yale Rd.

4.5 Meeting Summaries

September 17, 2019 Committee of the Whole Meeting Summary

Trustees: Dan Coulter, Willow Reichelt, Darrell Furgason, Heather Maahs, Jared Mumford, Barry Neufeld, David Swankey

Staff: Rohan Arul-pragasam, Gerry Slykhuis, Donna Vogel

1. Communication with DPAC and PACs (ThoughtExchange Feedback)
2. Request to Present to Board Meeting: use of Glyphosate on School Grounds

September 17, 2019 In-Camera Meeting Summary

Trustees: Dan Coulter, Willow Reichelt, Darrell Furgason, Heather Maahs, Jared Mumford, Barry Neufeld, David Swankey

Staff: Rohan Arul-pragasam, Gerry Slykhuis, Tamara Ilersich, Donna Vogel

1. Acting Director of Instruction
2. Legal Opinion from BCSTA
3. Collective Bargaining Update: CTA & CUPE
4. HR Report
5. BCPSEA Report
6. Policy 205: Trustee Code of Ethics

4.6 Next Board of Education Meeting Date

**Tuesday, October 22, 2019
7:00 pm
School District Office**

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – QUESTIONS CONCERNING AGENDA ITEMS

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

No questions were received.

6. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Board Chair

Secretary-Treasurer



School District No. 33 (Chilliwack) School Site Acquisition Charge Resolution

Whereas Section 142 of the *School Act* requires that a School Board submit a capital plan to the Minister of Education; and

Whereas *Local Government Act* Section 574.2 requires that before a school board submits the capital plan required under School Act Section 142 it consult with each local government in the school district and, that the school board and local government make all reasonable efforts to reach agreement on the following:

A projection of the number of eligible development units to be authorized over the 10 year period that has been specified by the Minister of Education;

The projection of the number of school age children (as defined in the *School Act*) that will be added to the school district as the result of the eligible development units;

The approximate size and number of school sites required to accommodate the number of school age children projected as a result of the addition of eligible development units;

The approximate location and value of the school sites; and,

Whereas the Board of School Trustees for School District No. 33 has consulted with the City of Chilliwack and the Fraser Valley Regional District on these matters;

It is resolved that:

Based on information from local government, the School Board of School District No. 33 estimates that there will be 9,154 new development units constructed in the school district over the next 10 years;

These 9,154 development units will be home to an estimated 4,085 school age children;

The School Board expects that three new school sites will be required as the result of this growth in the school district.

According to Ministry of Education standards the sites will require 9.29 hectares of land. At current market values, the land will cost approximately \$29.7 million.

I hereby certify this to be a true copy of the resolution for the approval of the proposed School Site Acquisition Charge adopted by the Board of Education, on this 1st day of October, 2019.

Secretary Treasurer



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

Date of Meeting: Wednesday, October 9, 2019

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. J. Mumford
Trustee	Mr. B. Neufeld
Trustee	Mr. D. Swankey

Staff Present:

Acting Superintendent	Mr. R. Arul-pragasam
Secretary Treasurer	Mr. G. Slykhuis
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 6:00 p.m. - **Welcome and Acknowledgment of Traditional Stó:lō Territory.**

1.2. Adoption of the Agenda

231.19 Moved by: Trustee Neufeld
Seconded by: Trustee Maahs

THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

1. ACTION ITEM

1.1. The Portal on Yale Road East

232.19 Moved by: Trustee Swankey
Seconded by: Trustee Mumford

THAT the Board of Education submit a letter to the Chilliwack City Council, Ruth and Naomi's and BC Housing regarding the application for a Temporary Use Permit at 46293 Yale Road. The letter should acknowledge that:

- The Board appreciates the communication with staff over the past year and asks that ongoing communication with SD33 be a consideration in any discussion regarding the Temporary Use Application.
- Both the applicant and operator have expressed intension to establish an advisory committee regarding the Portal; should the TUP be approved, the Board asks that in addition to SD33 representation, PAC's be invited for inclusion in the composition of such an advisory committee.
- The Chilliwack School District seeks to ensure student safety from the time students leave their home until the time they return; the Board asks that the concerns of parents be taken into consideration both in Councils deliberations today, and in reviewing public safety concerns in downtown Chilliwack.

DEFEATED

For: Coulter, Swankey

Opposed: Furgason, Maahs, Mumford, Neufeld, Reichelt

233.19

Moved by: Trustee Furgason
Seconded by: Trustee Maahs

THAT the Board of Education send a letter to Chilliwack City Council requesting that the City not extend The Portal for three additional years and asking that The Portal be relocated for the safety of Chilliwack students.

DEFEATED

For: Furgason, Maahs, Neufeld

Opposed: Coulter, Mumford, Reichelt, Swankey

3.1 Next Board of Education Meeting Date

**Tuesday, October 22, 2019
7:00 pm
School District Office**

4. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Board Chair

Secretary-Treasurer

BOARD OF EDUCATION

PRESENTATION

DATE: October 22nd, 2019
TO: Board of Education
FROM: Rohan Arul-pragasam, Acting Superintendent
RE: STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE: CONTINUING EDUCATION

Priority	Strengthening meaningful relationships within and across schools, district and community to support success for students. (Community & Culture)
Goal	All students to meet or exceed grade level expectations in literacy and numeracy.
Strategy	Develop a Framework of Supporting Youth and Adults That Have Not Received Their Dogwood Diploma <ul style="list-style-type: none">Review programs offered in the community and develop Continuing Education opportunities in consultation with community partners to support all learners.

- Sardis Secondary Teacher Darren Watt will go over the Adult Business Technical Certificate Program that he has developed and is currently being offered as a Continuing Education class in the evening at Sardis Secondary in partnership with the community.
- This specially designed program meets the needs of adult learners requiring a Grade 12 Adult Dogwood Diploma through self-paced evening classes twice a week. Students may also work ahead at home "online" with assistance from the instructor. Students may only require one or more of the following courses needed to get their Adult Dogwood while others may take five courses and receive dual credit for an Adult Business Technical Certificate. This certificate has similar course content to other one-year post-secondary certificate/diploma programs offered at public and private post-secondary institutions. The value of the SD#33 certificate to students and future employers is enhanced through earning Microsoft Specialist Certifications in MS Excel/Access/Word/PowerPoint.
- Program Structure
 - Math and English course credits:
 - Accounting 11 Math Credit
 - English 12 Focus on business
 - Any three of the following course credits:

- Business Information Management 12 Microsoft Word/PowerPoint
- Data Management 12 Microsoft Excel/Access
- Accounting 12 Sage Simply Accounting Software
(Receivables/Payables/Payroll/Inventory)
- Marketing 12 Retail and Global Marketing and E-commerce

BOARD OF EDUCATION

DECISION REPORT

DATE: October 22, 2019
TO: Board of Education
FROM: David Swankey, Trustee
RE: **RED-LIGHT-RUNNERS**

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Chilliwack Board of Education, through the Superintendent, direct staff to draft a report to help inform the Board's advocacy for stricter enforcement and penalties for red-light-runners.

BACKGROUND:

It has been a source of on-going concern that too many drivers are failing to stop when school busses pull over and initiate a full-stop procedure; drivers not adhering to a full-stop procedure are commonly referred to as red-light-runners. The issue of red-light-runners has been reoccurring and there have been coordinated efforts involving SD33, the City of Chilliwack, the RCMP and ICBC to try and address this problem through education and increased enforcement.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IEN4ZQCqxE>

RATIONALE:

The concern here is one of student safety; drivers not adhering to the rules of the road put pedestrians, in this case children, at unnecessary risk. The problem of red-light-runners persists despite the best efforts of our staff and our partners to educate and remind members of the public to adhere to the law.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

DECISION REPORT

DATE: October 22, 2019
TO: Board of Education
FROM: David Swankey, Trustee
RE: **DISTRICT HISTORY & HERITAGE**

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Chilliwack Board of Education, through the Superintendent, direct staff to bring forward a proposed motion that reflects the Board's shared value in recognizing our district's history and heritage.

RATIONALE:

The recent recognition and participation of the Board in Central Elementary School's 90th year celebration demonstrates the value that this Board and this community place in celebrating our shared history. A policy, adopted as part of the 900 series and with input through partners on the Educational Policy Advisory Committee, helps to ensure staff have direction and support in future events and activities.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

DECISION REPORT

DATE: October 22, 2019
TO: Board of Education
FROM: Heather Maahs, Trustee
RE: **LETTER GRADES**

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Board of Education approve the following draft policy that ensures Letter Grades be presented as an option to parents in addition to anecdotal comments and sliding scale regardless of new curriculums or initiatives.

600 series – Via EPAC

Policy:

The board believes that in order to serve parents and students in reporting student achievement, all measures must be taken to provide transparent and fulsome information on each student and their ongoing skill development in reporting to families and guardians. Parents and Guardians will be made aware in advance of report cards being issued that, if they so choose, a letter grade will be issued in addition to the anecdotal comments provided in report cards.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

INFORMATION REPORT

DATE: October 22, 2019
TO: Board of Education
FROM: Gerry Slykhuis, Secretary Treasurer
RE: MENSTRUAL PRODUCTS – UPDATE (REVISED)

BACKGROUND:

On April 5, 2019, a Ministerial Order was issued that all B.C. public schools are required to provide free menstrual products for students by the end of 2019.

The Order states:

Provision of Menstrual Products

- a) Each board must establish, maintain and make publicly available a policy and procedures for the provision of menstrual products to all students who may require them.
- b) The policy and procedures must:
 - i. Ensure menstrual products are provided to students of all gender identities or expressions in a manner that protects student privacy;
 - ii. Provide for barrier free, easily accessible menstrual products at no cost to students;
 - iii. Provide for consistent availability and supply of menstrual products in school washrooms; and
 - iv. Incorporate student feedback with respect to the provision of menstrual products.

The following is a further update on the status of implementation in the Chilliwack School District:

- There are currently 58 student dispensers that will have the coin operated mechanisms changed to coinless
- 23 additional student dispensers are on order and are expected to arrive by late October
- The new equipment is anticipated to be installed by Christmas, although it depends on staff availability
- Installation will be in female, non-gender, wheel chair accessible and stand-alone washrooms as follows:
 - Elementary: 1 in intermediate area per floor, or 2 for larger schools
 - Middle: minimum 1 per floor and dispersed to reduce travel
 - Secondary: minimum 1 per floor and dispersed to reduce travel

The government announcement included \$300,000 in startup funding but we have not heard anything further on this as yet.

MEETING SUMMARIES

Committee of the Whole Meeting – October 1, 2019

Trustees: Willow Reichelt, Darrell Furgason, Heather Maahs, Jared Mumford, Barry Neufeld, David Swankey

Staff: Rohan Arul-pragasam, Gerry Slykhuis, Janet Hall, Kirk Savage, Donna Vogel

1. Request to Present to Board Meeting: FVRD Waste Separation Bylaw 2020
2. Early Primary Assessments Presentation
3. Communicating Student Learning

In-Camera Meeting – October 1, 2019

Trustees: Willow Reichelt, Darrell Furgason, Heather Maahs, Jared Mumford, Barry Neufeld, David Swankey

Staff: Rohan Arul-pragasam, Gerry Slykhuis, Tamara Ilersich, Donna Vogel

1. Property Update
2. TTOC Update
3. Public Sector Executive Compensation Report
4. HR Report
5. BCPSEA Report