



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

**Date of Meeting:** Tuesday, September 17, 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
Assistant Secretary Treasurer	Mr. M. Friesen
Acting Assistant Superintendent	Ms. J. Hall
Director of Facilities & Transportation	Mr. A. Van Tassel
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.**

**1.2. Adoption of the Agenda**

**207.19** Moved by: Trustee Reichelt  
Seconded by: Trustee Swankey

THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**1.1. Approval of the Minutes**

**208.19** Moved by: Trustee Neufeld  
Seconded by: Trustee Maahs

THAT the minutes of the June 18, 2019 Regular Public Board Meeting be approved as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**209.19** Moved by: Trustee Neufeld  
Seconded by: Trustee Mumford

THAT the minutes of the September 12, 2019 Special Regular Public Board Meeting be approved with the addition of Trustee Coulter as Mover and Trustee Mumford as Secunder of the Motion in the Action Item.

**CARRIED**

## **2. PRESENTATION: SUMMER LEARNING REPORT**

The Chilliwack School District's 2019 Summer Learning (SL) Program was held at the Chilliwack Secondary site at 46361 Yale Road. The program administrators were Acting Vice-Principals Galen Soon (Grades 1-5) and Devin Atkins (Grades 6-12).

The total number of students that attended the SL program was 559. The majority of these students were at the elementary level (369), middle school level (73), and high school level (83). The high school program consisted of students in a class called, Sustainable Vegetable Production 12, this course took place at the Sardis Secondary School Farm on Richardson Avenue. The enrollment for Sustainable Agriculture 12 saw a significant boost from 2018 (59) as this program incorporated a farm to table element to their program.

This year's program saw a continued increased in diversification of program offerings including: Reading Rangers PM Benchmark <16 and PM Benchmarks >16, a Maker Space/ Trades/Coding Class for students in Grades 6-8, a Power Soccer program, and pull-in English Language Learner/English as a Second Dialect Support. Supplemental inclusive education supports were provided at Summer Learning 2019 through supplemental funding from the Ministry of Education. Specialized support included 11 Education Assistants (EAs), an Occupational Therapist (OT), and an ELL/ESD teacher.

In addition, there was a focus on increasing the respect and understanding amongst all students and staff, of language, culture, governance and history of Sto:lo and all aboriginal peoples. This was possible through a partnership with the aboriginal education department. The Kairos blanket activity provided participants a hands-on learning experience to develop an understanding of the impact of colonization on indigenous communities. Students at Summer Learning had the opportunity to eat Bannock, create aboriginal art and learn about local geography through traditional storytelling. There were 28 teachers, 11 EAs, and 2 Acting Vice-Principals and 1 clerical for a total of 42 staff who supported learners at Summer Learning.

## **3. ACTION ITEMS**

### **3.1. Audit Committee Report**

**210.19** Moved by: Trustee Maahs  
Seconded by: Trustee Mumford

THAT the Board of Education receive the Audit Committee Meeting Report of September 10, 2019 with the following amendment: change Trustees to Trustee in item 5.

**CARRIED**

**3.2. 2018 – 2019 Audited Financial Statements**

**211.19** Moved by: Trustee Maahs  
Seconded by: Trustee Swankey

THAT the Board approve the 2018-2019 Audited Financial Statements and forward to the Ministry of Education.

**CARRIED**

**3.3. Rainbow Crosswalk**

**212.19** Moved by: Trustee Furgason  
Seconded by: Trustee Maahs

THAT the Board of Education defer this item until the Board gets more public input.

**DEFEATED**

**For: Furgason, Maahs, Neufeld**

**Opposed: Coulter, Mumford, Reichelt, Swankey**

**213.19** Moved by: Trustee Neufeld  
Seconded by: Trustee Furgason

THAT the Board of Education defer this item until the October 22, 2019 Board Meeting once the Board has received public input.

**DEFEATED**

**For: Furgason, Maahs, Neufeld**

**Opposed: Coulter, Mumford, Reichelt, Swankey**

**214.19** Moved by: Trustee Coulter  
Seconded by: Trustee Mumford

THAT the Board of Education direct staff to paint a rainbow crosswalk across the parking lot in front of the School District office.

**CARRIED**

**For: Coulter, Mumford, Reichelt, Swankey**

**Opposed: Furgason, Maahs, Neufeld**

**3.4. Board Regulation 222.1 Board Committees – Audit Committee**

**215.19** Moved by: Trustee Maahs  
Seconded by: Trustee Neufeld

THAT the Board of Education approve Board Regulation 222.1 Board Committees – Partner/Community Membership as presented.

**CARRIED**

**3.5. Letter to the Ministry of Education: Funding for new Southside School and Portables**

- 216.19** Moved by: Trustee Reichelt  
Seconded by: Trustee Mumford

THAT the Board of Education send a letter to the Ministry of Education asking for a reduction in the amount of our financial contribution to the new Southside school and also asking that the Ministry consider funding support for the acquisition of portables in growing districts.

**NO VOTE**

- 217.19** Moved by: Trustee Swankey  
Seconded by: Trustee Neufeld

THAT the Board of Education amend the motion to read THAT the Board of Education send a letter to the Ministry of Education asking for a reduction in the amount of our financial contribution to the new Southside school.

**CARRIED**

**3.6. Renaming CHANCE**

- 218.19** Moved by: Trustee Neufeld  
Seconded by: Trustee Reichelt

THAT the Board of Education strike a committee to rename the Education Centre and what is currently known as CHANCE Shxwetilthet.

**NO VOTE**

- 219.19** Moved by: Trustee Swankey  
Seconded by: Trustee Neufeld

THAT the Board of Education strike a committee in accordance with Part A of Board Regulation 809.1 to rename the Education Centre and what is currently known as CHANCE Shxwetilthet.

**CARRIED**

**3.7. British Columbia School Trustees Association Discussion Paper – July 2019: School Site Land Acquisition Issues and Solutions**

- 220.19** Moved by: Trustee Coulter  
Seconded by: Trustee Reichelt

THAT the Board of Education provide a response to the BCSTA discussion paper regarding School Site Acquisition Charges.

**CARRIED**

**4. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**4.1 Strategic Plan Update: Operations Summer Report/Maintenance Activities**

Director of Facilities and Transportation Al Van Tassel provided a report and presentation on the Operations Summer Maintenance Activities (listed below) as it relates to the Strategic Plan and the following priority:

<b>Priority</b>	Aligning and allocating resources, equitably, responsibly and effectively, to support goals and key initiatives. ( <b>Resources</b> )
<b>Goal</b>	Align resources to efficiently and effectively execute the strategic plan

#### 4.2 **Enrolment Update**

Acting Superintendent Rohan Arul-pragsam presented an enrollment report as of September 16, 2019.

#### 4.3 **BCSTA Report**

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

##### **Extend Meeting**

**221.19** Moved by: Trustee Maahs  
Seconded by: Trustee Swankey

THAT the Board of Education extend the meeting to the conclusion of the Agenda.

**CARRIED**

#### 4.4 **Trustee Reports**

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

- All Leaders Planning and Pro D.
- Board Working Session.

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

- Board Working Session.
- BCPSEA Conference call.
- CHC meeting.
- Met with GSA sponsor teachers and other staff members.
- Will attend Central Elementary Community School 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration.
- Will attend two welcome back events at schools and PAC meetings.
- Charing CHC meeting next week with all candidates meeting.

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

- Board Working Session.
- Special Board Meeting.
- Petition to reinstate trustee Neufeld as a school liaison.

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

- All Leaders Planning and Pro D.
- Board Working Session.
- Reached out to liaison schools.
- Chilliwack Child and Youth Committee – Chilliwack will be hosting provincial Cities Fit for Children Conference.

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

- Welcome back to students, staff and families.

- Thank you to facilities and transportation staff.
- Central Elementary Community School 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration.
- Orange Shirt Day.

**Trustee Maahs reported on the following:**

- Notice of Motion: That the Board reinstate letter grades in middle schools.
- Caution regarding social media.

**4.5 Meeting Summaries**

**June 18, 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, Mark Friesen, Donna Vogel

1. Central 90th Celebration: Funding Request
2. Progress Article: Bullying at CSS
3. Policy 220: Public Participation
4. Inclusion Committee: Terms of Reference
5. Letter to the Ministry of Education: Funding for New Southside School and Portables
6. Letter with Partner Groups to Minister of Education: Funding Model Review Recommendations
7. Process for Renaming CHANCE Site to “Chilliwack Education Centre South Site” (or “South Campus”)
8. DPAC: ThoughtExchange Report & Funding Request
9. Proposed Board Presentation: CYC – Child Proofing Porn

**June 18, 2019 In-Camera Meeting Summary**

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

Staff: Rohan Arul-pragasam, Mark Friesen, Tamara Ilersich, Donna Vogel

1. Tentative Local Agreement with the CTA
2. Exempt Staff/PVP Extended Health & Dental Benefits
3. Community Members: Budget Committee
4. HR Report
5. BCPSEA Report

**4.6 Next Board of Education Meeting Date**

**Tuesday, October 1, 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.

Questions were received regarding:

- Evans Elementary parking lot.
- Priorities for the Playground Enhancement Fund and communication with PACs.

6. **ADJOURNMENT**

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

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Board Chair

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Secretary-Treasurer