



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

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, April 28, 2020

Location: Zoom Webinar

Members Present:

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

Staff Present:

Interim Superintendent	Mr. R. Arul-pragasam
Secretary Treasurer	Mr. G. Slykhuis
Assistant Secretary Treasurer	Mr. M. Friesen
Director of Human Resources	Ms. T. Ilersich
Assistant Superintendent	Ms. J. Hall
Assistant Superintendent	Mr. K. Savage
Acting Director of Instruction	Mr. D. Manuel
Director of Facilities and Transportation	Mr. A. Van Tassel
Executive Assistant	Ms. D. Vogel
Audio-Video/Desktop Foreman	Mr. M. Bakker

1. CALL TO ORDER – Zoom Webinar

1.1. Call to Order

The Board Chair called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. – **Welcome, Acknowledgment of Traditional Stó:lō Territory, and Statement on the Nova Scotia Tragedy and the District and COVID-19.**

1.2. Adoption of the Agenda

90.20 Moved by: Trustee Neufeld
Seconded by: Trustee Mumford

THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

1.3. Approval of the Minutes

91.20 Moved by: Trustee Mumford
Seconded by: Trustee Swankey

THAT the minutes of the April 7, 2020 Regular Public Board Meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – COMMENTS/QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE AGENDA

Comments/Questions were received regarding the following:

- The agenda for this meeting.
- Graduation ceremonies in 2020.
- Board Meeting Webinar.
- Cost savings with most students not in school.
- Name for the new south side K -8 school.
- Maintenance/construction projects while most students are not in school.

3. ACTION ITEMS

3.1. School Site Acquisition Charge (SSAC) Bylaw

92.20 Moved by: Trustee Swankey
Seconded by: Trustee Mumford

THAT the Board of Education approve three readings of School Site Acquisition Charge Capital Bylaw No. 2020-01 at the April 28, 2020 Regular Board Meeting.

CARRIED

93.20 Moved by: Trustee Maahs
Seconded by: Trustee Swankey

THAT the Board of Education approve first reading of School Site Acquisition Charge Capital Bylaw No. 2020-01.

CARRIED
Abstained: Neufeld

94.20 Moved by: Trustee Swankey
Seconded by: Trustee Mumford

THAT the Board of Education approve second reading of School Site Acquisition Charge Capital Bylaw No. 2020-01.

CARRIED
Abstained: Neufeld

95.20 Moved by: Trustee Mumford
Seconded by: Trustee Reichelt

THAT the Board of Education approve third reading and adoption of School Site Acquisition Charge Capital Bylaw No. 2020-01.

CARRIED
Abstained: Neufeld

3.2. 2020 – 2021 Local School Calendar

Trustees Reichelt and Swankey turned their video cameras off during this item and recused themselves from voting.

96.20 Moved by: Trustee Furgason
Seconded by: Trustee Maahs

THAT the Board of Education reject the 2020-2021 Local School Calendar as presented.

CARRIED
For: Furgason, Maahs, Neufeld
Opposed: Coulter, Mumford

3.3. New School Naming: integrated arts and technology secondary

97.20 Moved by: Trustee Reichelt
Seconded by: Trustee Mumford

THAT the Board of Education approve "Imagine High" as the name for our new integrated arts and technology school.

98.20 Moved by: Trustee Furgason
Seconded by: Trustee Neufeld

THAT the Board of Education approve "Midtown Arts and Technology School" as the name for the new arts and technology school.

DEFEATED
For: Furgason, Maahs, Neufeld
Opposed: Coulter, Mumford, Reichelt, Swankey

99.20 Moved by: Trustee Maahs
Seconded by: Trustee Furgason

THAT the Board of Education refer the naming of the school back to the committee to come up with a different name.

DEFEATED
For: Furgason, Maahs, Neufeld
Opposed: Coulter, Mumford, Reichelt, Swankey

100.20 Moved by: Trustee Reichelt
Seconded by: Trustee Mumford

THAT the Board of Education approve "Imagine High" as the name for our new integrated arts and technology school.

CARRIED
For: Coulter, Mumford, Reichelt, Swankey
Opposed: Furgason, Maahs, Neufeld

3.4. New School Naming: south side K – 8 school

101.20 Moved by: Trustee Reichelt
Seconded by: Trustee Mumford

THAT the Board of Education approve Stitó:s Lá:lém Totí:lt (stee-tahs lah-lem tot-ilt) as the name for our new K-8 school.

102.20 Moved by: Trustee Maahs
Seconded by: Trustee Furgason

THAT the Board of Education approve River's Edge as the name of the new school with the Halq'eméylem name secondary.

DEFEATED

For: Furgason, Maahs, Neufeld

Opposed: Coulter, Mumford, Reichelt, Swankey

103.20 Moved by: Trustee Reichelt
Seconded by: Trustee Mumford

THAT the Board of Education approve Stitó:s Lá:lém Totí:lt (stee-tahs lah-lem tot-ilt) as the name for our new K-8 school.

CARRIED

For: Coulter, Mumford, Reichelt, Swankey

Opposed: Furgason, Maahs, Neufeld

4. INFORMATION ITEMS

4.1. COVID-19 Update

The Executive team provided an update on the Chilliwack School District and COVID-19.

4.2. BCSTA Report

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

104.20 Moved by: Trustee Swankey
Seconded by: Trustee Mumford

THAT the Board of Education extend the meeting until the conclusion of the agenda.

CARRIED

4.3. Trustee Reports

Trustee Mumford reported on the following:

- Thanks to staff, parents and families.
- Mental Health Week next week.
- Chilliwack Healthier Community brochure about maintaining mental wellness.

Trustee Swankey reported on the following:

- April 28 National Day of Mourning.
- DPAC meeting April 23 – AGM postponed to September and the Executive will remain until then.

Trustee Reichelt reported on the following:

- Thanks to staff, students and parents.
- Sympathy for grade 12 students who have had their traditional grad events cancelled and offered reassurance that staff will work hard to ensure that this milestone is marked in a meaningful and special way (while maintaining safety).

Trustee Furgason reported on the following:

- Thanks to parents and staff.

Trustee Coulter reported on the following:

- The moral obligation to help vulnerable students and provide quality education.

- Thanks for patience.

4.4. Meeting Summaries

April 7, 2020 In-Camera Meeting Summary

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

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

1. HR Report
2. BCPSEA Report
3. 5 Year Capital Plan Priorities

April 15, 2020 Special In-Camera Meeting Summary

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

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

1. School Calendar Arbitration
2. Ratification Process: Provincial Collective Agreement Between BCPSEA and BCTF

4.5. Next Board of Education Meeting Date

Tuesday, May 12, 2020
7:00 p.m.
Zoom Webinar

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – QUESTIONS CONCERNING AGENDA ITEMS

Questions were received regarding the following:

- South side before and after care and GW Graham.
- Consultation before Board decisions.
- Supports for students moving from grade 12 to postsecondary education.
- Care for children of essential workers.
- Cost of before and after school childcare.
- The criteria for vulnerable learners to access school supports and when those supports will become available.
- Local school calendar.
- Staff wearing PPE in the workplace.
- The School Site Acquisition Charge increase.
- Support for vulnerable learners.
- Indigenous naming for schools.
- Childcare before and after school for tier 1 and tier 2 workers.
- Definition of vulnerable student.
- CUPE has no role in developing the local school calendar.

105.20 Moved by: Trustee Maahs
Seconded by: Trustee Furgason

THAT the Board of Education adjourn the meeting.

DEFEATED
For: Maahs, Furgason
Opposed: Coulter, Mumford, Reichelt
Abstained: Swankey

- Communication on district childcare.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:34 p.m.

Board Chair

Secretary-Treasurer

Appendix A: Trustee Activities

Trustee Mumford:

- April 8: Board De-Brief
- April 14: Chair Scholarship Committee Meeting
- April 15: Special In Camera Meeting
- April 17: Board De-Brief
- April 21: Chair Scholarship Committee - Selection
- April 24: Board De-Brief
- April 28: Co-Chair CHC Meeting

Trustee Reichelt:

- April 15: New School Naming Committee
- April 17: BCSTA Provincial Council
- April 27: Chilliwack Youth Advisory Committee

Trustee Swankey:

- April 15: Joined trustees for COVID update from staff
- April 17: Joined trustees for COVID update from staff
- April 20: Attended Chair/Vice Chair meeting
- April 20: Visited GWG Child Care space for Tier 1 workers
- April 21: Attended Chilliwack COVID Townhall
- April 23: Attended DPAC Meeting as Board Liaison
- April 24: Joined the trustees for COVID update from staff
- April 27: Attended Chair/Vice Chair meeting