



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

**Date of Meeting:** Tuesday, May 26, 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 Facilities & Transportation	Mr. A. Van Tassel
Executive Assistant	Ms. D. Vogel
Audio-Video/Desktop Foreman	Mr. M. Bakker

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**1. CALL TO ORDER – Zoom Webinar**

**1.1. Call to Order**

The Board Chair called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. – **Welcome, Acknowledgment of Traditional Stó:lō Territory**

**Board Statement: At its May 26, 2020 In-Camera meeting, the Board of Education censured Trustee Barry Neufeld for a May 9th Facebook post that he made.**

**1.2. Adoption of the Agenda**

**153.20** Moved by: Trustee Mumford  
Seconded by: Trustee Swankey

THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED**

**1.3. Approval of the Minutes**

**154.20** Moved by: Trustee Mumford  
Seconded by: Trustee Swankey

THAT the minutes of the May 12, 2020 Regular Public Board Meeting be approved with the following revision: that “statement” in Trustee Maahs’ and Trustee Furgason’s Trustee reports be changed to “rationale.”

**CARRIED**

**2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – COMMENTS/QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE AGENDA**

Comments/Questions were received regarding the following:

- Censure and the Board of Education.
- Board Agenda.
- Playground equipment prioritization.

**3. ACTION ITEMS**

**3.1. 2020 – 2021 Budget Approval – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Readings**

**155.20** Moved by: Trustee Reichelt  
Seconded by: Trustee Mumford

THAT the Board of Education approve the third (final) reading of 2020-20210 Annual Budget Bylaw at the May 12, 2019 Regular Board Meeting in the amount of \$161,886,572.

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

THAT the motion be deferred to after approval of the second reading.

**CARRIED**

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

THAT the Board of Education approve the second reading of 2020-20210 Annual Budget Bylaw at the May 12, 2019 Regular Board Meeting in the amount of \$161,886,572.

**CARRIED**

**158.20** Moved by: Trustee Reichelt  
Seconded by: Trustee Mumford

THAT the Board of Education approve the third (final) reading of 2020-20210 Annual Budget Bylaw at the May 12, 2019 Regular Board Meeting in the amount of \$161,886,572.

**CARRIED**

**3.2. 5 Year Capital Plan**

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

THAT the Board of Education approve the Capital Plan as outlined in the document circulated in the meeting Agenda Package.

CARRIED

**3.3. Board/Authority Authorized (BAA) Courses**

160.20

Moved by: Trustee Maahs  
Seconded by: Trustee Mumford

THAT the Board of Education approve the Board/Authority Authorized Courses: Culinary Arts Leadership 11 and 12.

CARRIED

**4. INFORMATION ITEMS**

**4.1. Audit Committee Report**

The Board of Education received the Audit Committee Report of May 13, 2020.

**4.2. Education Restart Plan Stage 3**

Interim Superintendent Rohan Arul-pragasam provided information regarding Education Restart Plan Stage 3 in the Chilliwack School 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:**

- Audit Committee.
- Special Education Advisory Committee.
- BAA Courses Committee.
- Education Centre Renaming Committee.

**Trustee Reichelt reported on the following:**

- Thank you to staff for preparing for students returning to school next week.
- Thank you to secondary school staff for working hard all week to organize the virtual graduation ceremonies.

**Trustee Swankey reported on the following:**

- Thank you to staff for preparing for students returning to school next week.
- DPAC meeting.
- Thank you to DPAC Executive for their work this year and to Christine Goodman for her work on the DPAC Executive.

**Trustee Mumford reported on the following:**

- Thank you to Christine Goodman for her work on the DPAC Executive.

**Trustee Furgason reported on the following:**

- Reasons why he ran to be a Trustee.

**4.5. Meeting Summaries**

**May 8, 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. Legal Opinion – Conflict of Interest

#### **May 12, 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. TTOC Stats
4. Teacher Retirement and Retirement Bonus
5. Hiring Process: Assistant Superintendent
6. Board of Education Statement
7. Notice of Motion to Censure

#### **4.6. Next Board of Education Meeting Date**

**Tuesday, June 16, 2020**

**7:00 p.m.**

**Zoom Webinar**

#### **5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – QUESTIONS CONCERNING AGENDA ITEMS**

Questions were received regarding the following:

- Students and masks.
- School communication on June 1 return to school and COVID 19 protocols.
- Students and symptoms of illness.
- Number of students returning on June 1.
- Students and staff with chronic allergies.
- Personal protective equipment for staff.
- How to balance face to face and online learning for teachers and students.
- Notifying parents if there is a positive case in a school.
- Secondary school schedule and busing.
- Students with disabilities/diverse abilities access to supports.
- Playgrounds and computer labs.
- Plans for June for students.
- Course completion programs and summer school.
- Courtesy bus riders.
- Refunds/credit for busing.
- Paper towels in school washrooms.
- Students sharing tools and toys.

- Students requiring additional support and children of essential workers – summer learning.
- Staff relocation to different schools.
- Planning for September.
- Mental health services for students.
- Rightsholderstakeholder advisory team.
- Hand sanitizer.

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

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Board Chair

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Secretary-Treasurer

**Appendix A: Trustee Activities**

**Trustee Mumford:**

- May 13: Hamper Delivery – Starfish Program, Salvation Army Church to ECE, Cheam, GWG, Promontory
- May 14: Board De-Brief
- May 20: Hamper Delivery - Starfish Program - Salvation Army Church to ECE, Cheam
- May 21: DPAC Meeting
- May 22: Board De-Brief
- March 26: Co-Chair CHC Meeting

**Trustee Reichelt:**

- May 14: Board COVID debrief
- May 20: Packed hampers for Food Hub
- May 22: Board COVID debrief
- May 25: Inclusive Education Advisory Committee

**Trustee Swankey:**

- May 13: Attended Audit Committee Meeting
- May 14: Joined trustees for operational update from staff
- May 19: Attended Chair/Vice Chair Meeting
- May 21: Attended DPAC Meeting
- May 22: Joined trustees for operational update from staff
- May 25: Attended Chair/Vice Chair Meeting