



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

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, April 13, 2021

Location: Zoom Webinar

Members Present:

Chair	Ms. W. Reichelt
Trustee	Dr. C. Bondar
Trustee	Dr. D. Furgason
Trustee	Mrs. H. Maahs
Trustee	Mr. B. Neufeld
Trustee	Mr. D. Swankey

Regrets: Vice-Chair Mr. J. Mumford

Staff Present:

Interim Superintendent	Mr. R. Arul-pragasam
Secretary Treasurer	Mr. G. Slykhuis
Assistant Secretary Treasurer	Mr. Mark Friesen
Assistant Superintendent	Ms. P. Jordan
Assistant Superintendent	Mr. K. Savage
Director of Instruction	Mr. D. Manuel
Director of Facilities & Transportation	Mr. A. Van Tassel
Executive Assistant	Ms. T. McInally
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 7:00 p.m. – **Welcome, Acknowledgment of Traditional Stó:lō Territory and Diversity Statement**

1.2. Adoption of the Agenda

101.21 Moved by: Trustee Neufeld
Seconded by: Trustee Furgason

THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

1.3. Approval of the Minutes

102.21 Moved by: Trustee Maahs
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the minutes of the March 9, 2021 Regular Public Board Meeting be approved as corrected to include Trustee Furgason in all of the February 23, 2021 Meeting Summaries.

CARRIED

2. PRESENTATION

2.1. Public Budget Presentation

On behalf of the Budget Advisory Committee, Gerry Slykhuis and Mark Friesen provided an overview of the School District's financial information and budget development process. The presentation included service and program priorities as the Board considers the 2021/2022 Operating Budget.

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

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – COMMENTS/QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE AGENDA

Comments/Questions were received regarding the following:

- Lobbying government for more funding.
- Bussing boundary for Promontory high school students.
- Number of students learning from home or not currently attending school.

4. ACTION ITEM

4.1. Policy Renovation Project: Policy 192 – Trustee Communication and Resources & Policy 140 – Board/Superintendent Relationship

103.21 Moved by: Trustee Bondar
Seconded by: Trustee Furgason

THAT the Board approve the following policies as attached:

- Policy 192 Trustee Communication and Resources
- Policy 140 Board – Superintendent Relationship

CARRIED

104.21 Moved by: Trustee Swankey
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

Further, THAT the Board abandon existing policies (found [HERE](#)) as they are made redundant by the new policies:

- Policy 229 Trustee Electronic Communication Support
- Policy 225 Board – Superintendent Relationship

CARRIED

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

5.1. Budget Advisory Committee Report

The Board of Education received the Budget Advisory Committee Report of April 8, 2021.

5.2. Board Self Evaluation

Board Chair Reichelt presented the results of the Board's Self-Evaluation.

5.3. COVID-19 Update

Interim Superintendent Rohan Arul-pragasam and other members of senior administration provided an update on COVID-19 in the Chilliwack School District.

5.4. BCSTA Report

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

5.5. Meeting Summaries

March 9, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting Summary

Trustees: Willow Reichelt, Jared Mumford, Carin Bondar, Darrell Furgason, Heather Maahs, David Swankey

Staff: Rohan Arul-pragasam, Gerry Slykhuis

1. Trustee Committee Assignments
2. Partner Group Meetings

March 9, 2021 In-Camera Meeting Summary

Trustees: Willow Reichelt, Jared Mumford, Carin Bondar, Darrell Furgason, Heather Maahs, David Swankey

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

1. HR Report
2. BCPSEA Report
3. Budget Planning 2021 – 2022
4. PVP Appointments
5. Trustee Conduct

5.6. Next Board of Education Meeting Date

Tuesday, April 27, 2021
7:00 p.m.
Zoom Webinar

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – QUESTIONS CONCERNING AGENDA ITEMS

Questions were received regarding the following:

- Trustee communication allowance – Policy 192.
- COVID variants.
- Imagine High registrants.
- Stitó:s school a catchment school or a school of choice.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Board Chair

Secretary-Treasurer