

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

<u>Date of Meeting:</u> Tuesday, May 11, 2021

Location: Zoom Webinar

Members Present: Chair Ms. W. Reichelt

Vice-Chair Mr. J. Mumford
Trustee Dr. C. Bondar
Trustee Dr. D. Furgason
Trustee Mrs. H. Maahs
Trustee Mr. B. Neufeld
Trustee Mr. D. Swankey

Staff Present: Interim Superintendent Mr. R. Arul-pragasam

Secretary Treasurer Mr. G. Slykhuis
Assistant Secretary Treasurer Mr. M. Friesen
Assistant Superintendent Ms. P. Jordan
Assistant Superintendent Mr. K. Savage
Director of Instruction Mr. D. Manuel
Executive Assistant Ms. T. McInally
Audio-Video/Desktop Foreman Mr. M. Bakker

Observer: Ministry Special Advisor Mr. M. McKay

1. CALL TO ORDER – Zoom Webinar

1.1. Call to Order

The Board Chair called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. – **Welcome**, **Acknowledgment** of Traditional Stó:Iō Territory and Diversity Statement

1.2. Adoption of the Agenda

142.21 Moved by: Trustee Neufeld

Seconded by: Trustee Mumford

THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

NO VOTE

143.21 Moved by: Trustee Maahs

Seconded by: Trustee Neufeld

THAT the agenda be amended to add Trustee Reports.

DEFEATED

For: Furgason, Maahs, Neufeld Opposed: Bondar, Mumford, Reichelt

Abstained: Swankey

144.21 Moved by: Trustee Neufeld Seconded by: Trustee Mumford

THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

For: Bondar, Mumford, Reichelt, Swankey Opposed: Furgason, Maahs, Neufeld

1.3. **Approval of the Minutes**

145.21 Moved by: Trustee Mumford Seconded by: Trustee Swankey

> THAT the minutes of the April 27, 2021 Regular Board Meeting be approved as circulated.

> > **CARRIED**

2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - COMMENTS/QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE AGENDA

Comments/Questions were received regarding the following:

Trustee reports policy.

3. **ACTION ITEMS**

3.1. 2021 - 2022 Budget Approval - 1st Reading

146.21 Moved by: Trustee Mumford Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

> THAT the Board of Education approve the first reading of 2021-2022 Annual Budget Bylaw at the May 11, 2021 Regular Board Meeting in the amount of \$171,928,285.

CARRIED

For: Bondar, Maahs, Mumford, Reichelt, Swankey Opposed: Furgason

Abstained: Neufeld

3.2. 2021 - 2022 Schedule of Board Meetings

147.21 Moved by: Trustee Swankey Seconded by: Trustee Mumford

> THAT the Board of Education approve option three for the 2021 – 2022 school year Board of Education Meetings: 10 Board of Education meetings and 9 Board Learning Sessions.

For: Bondar, Furgason, Maahs, Mumford, Reichelt, Swankey Abstained: Neufeld

3.3. Board Professional Learning

148.21 Moved by: Trustee Swankey Seconded by: Trustee Mumford

THAT the Superintendent present options and associated costs for board training provided or recommended by British Columbia's Office of the Human Rights Commissioner at a future public meeting of the Board.

CARRIED

For: Bondar, Furgason, Mumford, Neufeld, Reichelt, Swankey
Opposed: Maahs

3.4. Board Governance Budget

149.21 Moved by: Trustee Swankey Seconded by: Trustee Mumford

THAT the Board of Education direct the Secretary Treasurer to set aside \$7,000 from the Board Governance Budget, \$1000 from each trustee's professional learning fund, while the cost implications of recommended training from the Office of the Human Rights Commissioner are considered.

NO VOTE

150.21 Moved by: Trustee Furgason Seconded by: Trustee Neufeld

THAT the motion be amended to read THAT the Board of Education request that each trustee considers donating \$1000 or more from their professional learning fund while the cost implications of recommended training from the Office of the Human Rights Commissioner are considered.

DEFEATED

For: Furgason, Maahs, Neufeld Opposed: Bondar, Mumford, Reichelt, Swankey

151.21 Moved by: Trustee Swankey Seconded by: Trustee Mumford

THAT the Board of Education direct the Secretary Treasurer to set aside \$7,000 from the Board Governance Budget, \$1000 from each trustee's professional learning fund, while the cost implications of recommended training from the Office of the Human Rights Commissioner are considered.

CARRIED

For: Bondar, Mumford, Reichelt, Swankey Opposed: Furgason, Maahs, Neufeld

4. <u>INFORMATION ITEMS</u>

4.1. <u>Budget Advisory Committee Report</u>

The Board of Education received the Budget Advisory Committee Report of April 29, 2021.

152.21 Moved by: Trustee Mumford Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board of Education direct staff to investigate the increases to PVP salaries used for non-enrolling positions (as shown on Schedule 2C) and report back to the Board.

Trustee Furgason had left the meeting at 8:53 p.m.

Trustees took a 5 minute break from 8:54 to 9:00 p.m.

Trustee Maahs left the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

CARRIED

4.2. Quarterly Financial Report

The Secretary Treasurer presented the Quarterly Financial Report – March 31, 2021.

4.3. <u>Transportation Fee System Update</u>

The Secretary Treasurer provided an update on the system for collecting Transportation Registration Fees.

4.4. Inclusive Education Committee Terms of Reference

Interim Superintendent Rohan Arul-pragasam presented revised Terms of Reference for the Inclusive Education Advisory Committee for Board consideration.

4.5. 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.

4.6. BCSTA Report

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

4.7. Meeting Summaries

April 27, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting Summary

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

Staff: Rohan Arul-pragasam, Gerry Slykhuis, Mark Friesen, Paula Jordan, Kirk Savage, David Manuel, Tamara Ilersich, Allan Van Tassel, Talana McInally

1. Preliminary Strategic Plan Presentation

April 27, 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, Talana McInally

- 1. HR Report
- 2. BCPSEA Report
- 3. PVP Assignments
- 4. Release of Information (Trustee Bondar recused herself from this item)

May 5, 2021 Special In-Camera Meeting Summary

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

Trustee Bondar recused herself from this meeting.

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

Guest: Keith Mitchell

1. Legal Opinion Release of Information

4.8. Next Board of Education Meeting Date

Tuesday, June 1, 2021 7:00 p.m. Zoom Webinar

5. <u>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – QUESTIONS CONCERNING AGENDA ITEMS</u>

Questions were received regarding the following:

- Inclusive Education Advisory Committee.
 - Special Advisor.
 - COVID 19 protocols and processes.
 - Budget consultations with PACs.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:36 p.m.

Board Chair
Secretary-Treasurer