



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

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, February 7, 2023

Location: School District Office

Members Present:

Chair	Willow Reichelt
Vice-Chair	Carin Bondar
Trustee	Heather Maahs
Trustee	Richard Procee
Trustee	Margaret Reid
Trustee	David Swankey
Trustee	Teri Westerby

Staff Present:

Superintendent	Rohan Arul-pragasam
Secretary Treasurer	Simone Sangster
Assistant Secretary Treasurer	Mark Friesen
Director of Facilities and Transportation	Allan Van Tassel
Assistant Superintendent	Paula Jordan
Assistant Superintendent	Kirk Savage
Director of Instruction	Dave Manuel
Executive Assistant	Talana McInally

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1. Call to Order

The Board Chair called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. – **Welcome, Acknowledgment of Traditional Territory**

1.2. Adoption of the Agenda

20.23 Moved by: Trustee Westerby
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

1.3. Approval of the Minutes

21.23 Moved by: Trustee Swankey

Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the minutes of the January 17, 2023 Regular Board Meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED
For: Bondar, Procee, Reichelt, Reid, Swankey, Westerby
Opposed: Maahs

2. PRESENTATION

2.1. Strategic Plan Update – International Education Program Update

District Vice Principal Paul Bernard provided an update on the International Education Program including a program overview, where we are now and looking ahead.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – COMMENTS/QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE AGENDA

- Mental Health of Students
- Learning Resource Policy
- Parent/Guardian Rights Policy

Chair adjourned the meeting at 6:16 p.m.
Meeting called back to order at 6:27 p.m.

4. ACTION ITEMS

4.1. 2022-2023 Amended Annual Budget (Revised) – 1st Reading

22.23 Moved by: Trustee Maahs
Seconded by: Trustee Procee

THAT the Board of Education approve three readings of the 2022-2023 Amended Annual Budget Bylaw in the amount of \$199,749,488.

DEFEATED
For: Maahs, Procee, Reichelt, Reid, Westerby
Opposed: Bondar, Swankey

23.23 Moved by: Trustee Westerby
Seconded by: Trustee Swankey

THAT the Board of Education approve the first reading of 2022-2023 Amended Annual Budget Bylaw in the amount of \$199,749,488.

CARRIED

4.2. Schedule of Board Meetings (Revised)

24.23 Moved by: Trustee Swankey
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board of Education approve the revised 2022 – 2023 school year Board of Education meetings and Learning Sessions as attached.

CARRIED

4.3. Bylaw 5 – Board Meeting Procedures (Revised)

25.23 Moved by: Trustee Maahs
Seconded by: Trustee Bondar

THAT the Board approve three readings of Bylaw 5 – Board Meeting Procedures (Revised).

CARRIED

26.23 Moved by: Trustee Westerby
Seconded by: Trustee Swankey

THAT the Board approve first, second and third readings of Bylaw 5 – Board Meeting Procedures.

CARRIED

4.4. Policy Renovation Project (Business and Support Services Section 600)

4.4.1. Policy 620 Signing Authorities (Revised)

27.23 Moved by: Trustee Maahs
Seconded by: Trustee Swankey

THAT the Board of Education approve Policy 620 – Signing Authorities as attached.

CARRIED

4.5. Policy Renovation Project (Education Policy Advisory Committee)

4.5.1. Policy 382 Library Learning Commons

28.23 Moved by: Trustee Bondar
Seconded by: Trustee Swankey

THAT the Board of Education reaffirm Policy 382 Library Learning Commons - (604 Library Learning Commons) as presented. This policy was presented to the Education Policy Advisory Committee in its draft form at its May 11, 2022 meeting.

CARRIED

**For: Bondar, Reichelt, Reid, Swankey, Westerby
Opposed: Maahs, Procee**

4.5.2. Policy 380 Learning Resources

29.23 Moved by: Trustee Swankey
Seconded by: Trustee Reid

THAT the Board of Education reaffirm Policy 380 Learning Resources - (601 Learning Resources and 606 Challenges to the use of Learning Resources) as presented. This policy was presented to the Education Policy Advisory Committee in its draft form at its December 13th, 2022 and January 23rd, 2023 meetings.

CARRIED
For: Bondar, Reichelt, Reid, Swankey, Westerby
Opposed: Maahs, Procee

4.6. Policy for Parent/Guardian Rights

30.23 Moved by: Trustee Maahs
Seconded by: Trustee Procee

THAT the Board of Education write a Parent/Guardian Rights Policy.

NO VOTE

31.23 Moved by: Trustee Swankey
Seconded by: Trustee Procee

THAT the motion be laid on the table.

DEFEATED
For: Maahs, Procee, Swankey
Opposed: Bondar, Reichelt, Reid, Westerby

32.23 Moved by: Trustee Maahs
Seconded by: Trustee Procee

THAT the Board of Education write a Parent/Guardian Rights Policy.

DEFEATED
For: Maahs, Procee
Opposed: Bondar, Reichelt, Reid, Swankey, Westerby

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

5.1. Student and Family Affordability Fund Update

Assistant Secretary Treasurer Mark Friesen provided an update on the year-to-date allocations and spending of this fund.

5.2. Budget Advisory Committee Report

The Board of Education received the Budget Advisory Committee Report of February 2, 2023.

5.3. Quarterly Financial Report

Secretary Treasurer Simone Sangster presented the Quarterly Financial Report of December 31, 2022.

5.4. BCSTA Report

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

5.5. Trustee Written Reports

Trustees submitted written reports listing key activities they've attended since the last board meeting as well as upcoming events.

5.6. Meeting Summaries

January 17, 2023 In-Camera Meeting Summary

Trustees: Willow Reichelt, Carin Bondar, Heather Maahs, Richard Procee, Margaret Reid, David Swankey, Teri Westerby

Staff: Rohan Arul-pragasam, Simone Sangster, Talana McInally

1. 2023-2024 School Calendar Process
2. HR Report
3. BCPSEA Report
4. Assistant Superintendent Contracts

January 24, 2023 Strategic Learning Session – Part 1

Trustees: Willow Reichelt, Carin Bondar, Heather Maahs, Richard Procee, Margaret Reid, David Swankey, Teri Westerby

Staff: Rohan Arul-pragasam, Simone Sangster, Brenda Point, Kirk Savage, Paula Jordan, Mark Friesen, David Manuel, Allan Van Tassel, Talana McInally

Guest Speaker: Dr. Keith Carlson

1. Local Indigenous History & The Impact of Colonialism

January 24, 2023 Strategic Learning Session – Part 2

Trustees: Willow Reichelt, Carin Bondar, Heather Maahs, Richard Procee, Margaret Reid, David Swankey, Teri Westerby

Staff: Rohan Arul-pragasam, Simone Sangster, Mark Friesen, David Manuel, Talana McInally

1. Amended Budget Changes and Overview 2022/2023

5.7. Next Board of Education Meeting Date

**Tuesday, February 21, 2023
5:30 p.m.
School District Office**

6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – QUESTIONS CONCERNING AGENDA ITEMS

- Learning Resources
- Student and Family Affordability Fund
- Learning Resource Policy

6. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Board Chair

Secretary-Treasurer