

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**Dewdney Elementary School**

**BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES**  
**School District No. 75 (Mission)**  
**2003 06 10**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mr. J. Faulkner, Chair  
Mrs. D. Kruger, Vice-Chair  
Mrs. P. Betterton, Trustee  
Ms S. Clarkson, Trustee  
Mr. D. Doerksen, Trustee

Ms N. Wells, Superintendent of Schools  
Mr. G. Bonnefoy, Secretary-Treasurer  
Mr. L. Pante, Director of Human Resources  
Mr. D. Milne, Director of Facilities  
Mrs. B. Babuik, Administrative Assistant

**MEDIA**

Thomas Edelson, Mission City Record

Prior to the meeting being called to order, the board received a presentation from Johnson Controls on the recommended school improvements as determined through the Green Buildings BC Retrofit Program and Dewdney Elementary School presented a 15-minute video that highlighted its fine arts programs.

1. CALL TO ORDER  
7:30 pm by Chair Faulkner.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION

That the Agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

3. BRING FORWARD FROM IN CAMERA MEETING

One personnel issue.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOTION

That the Regular Meeting Minutes of 2003 05 13 be approved as amended.

CARRIED

5. BUSINESS COMMITTEE

- 5.1 School Improvement Plans

MOTION

That the Board of School Trustees approve the 2003/04 School Improvement Plans as submitted by School Planning Councils for all Mission Schools.

CARRIED

The board and staff met earlier this week to review all of the Interim Improvement Plans submitted by School Planning Councils – since SPCs were legislated this school year all partners have agreed this year will be a learning year.

The School Improvement Plans will be used to develop the district's accountability contract, which must be submitted to the Ministry by October 31.

5.2 2003/04 Calendar

This item has been deferred until the June 23 Special Meeting.

5.3 Staffing and Enrolment Report

Indicators are that enrolment will be down by approximately 180 students at the elementary level and up by approximately 30 students at the secondary level. Due to the complexity of projecting enrolment, particularly at the secondary level, it was stated that these numbers are still soft.

Staffing includes a small increase to elementary library services to support the literacy goal, and a small increase of student services for students with unique needs.

5.4 Policy Revisions

The following revised policies were presented for first reading:

- Policy #5007 – Schools Protection Program Extension to DPAC
- Policy #2008 – Extended or International Travel
- Policy #2007 – Curricular Field Studies & Extra-Curricular Field Trips
- Student Reporting, Promotion and Retention (Note: This policy is a consolidation of Policy #3010 – Reporting Guidelines and Policy #2015 – Student Promotion and Placement).

5.5 2003/04 Capital Plan

MOTION

That the Board of School Trustees approve that the required 3 readings for Capital Project Bylaw No. 1-2004 be carried out at one meeting of the Board of School Trustees.

CARRIED

MOTION

That the Board of School Trustees give first reading of the Capital Project Bylaw No. 1-2004 as attached.

CARRIED

MOTION

That the Board of School Trustees give second and third reading of the Capital Project Bylaw No. 1-2004 as attached.

CARRIED

The district received approval for 2-84 passenger bus replacements in the amount of \$294,000. A list of proposed expenditures of the Annual Capital Grant will be provided to trustees.

5.6 2003/04 Operating Budget

A Special Public Meeting is scheduled for June 23, 7:00 pm at the district office for the board to consider the Operating Budget for the 2003/04 school year. This special meeting will be advertised in the local papers.

6. EDUCATION COMMITTEE

6.1 Dance Squad 9-12

MOTION

That the Board of School Trustees approve the Locally Developed Course application in accordance with the attached for Mission Secondary School to offer Dance Squad 9-12 effective the 2003/04 school year provided it be at no cost to the board.

CARRIED

It was suggested that in accordance with the course outline Dance 9-12 would be a more appropriate name.

6.2 Restorative Justice Pilot Project

MOTION

That the Board of School Trustees approve the Locally Developed Course application in accordance with the attached for Mission Secondary School to offer a Career Prep and Human Services Restorative Justice 11 course effective the 2003/04 school year provided it be at no cost to the board.

CARRIED

6.3 Early Success / Late Literacy

Information was shared regarding initiatives undertaken this school year under the leadership of Principal Brenda Lightburn and Acting Principal Leslie Andersson to support the district's literacy and numeracy goals.

6.4 DPAC Report

Vice-President elect for the 2003/04 school year, Leah Blume, provided a year-end report of DPAC activities.

Next year's executive is as follows:

President – Cindy Miller

Vice-President – Leah Blume

Secretary – Shelley Carter

Directors – Rita Dyer and Sharyl Samodien

6.5 Provincial and National Competitions

The Board of School Trustees Chair congratulated all students who competed at the provincial or national level in their respective discipline. A letter will be sent to each individual.

7. QUESTION PERIOD

Questions were asked related to enrolment and school improvement plans.

8. ADJOURNMENT

That the meeting adjourn - Time 8:15 pm.

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Chair

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Secretary-Treasurer