

**School District #75 (Mission)
Public Meeting of the Board of Education Minutes**

**May 21, 2019, 6:30 pm
Cherry Hill Elementary
32557 Best Avenue, Mission, BC**

Members Present: Board Chair ,Tracy Loffler
Trustee, Shelley Carter
Vice Chair, Randy Cairns
Trustee, Rick McKamey
Trustee, Julia Renkema

Staff Present: Superintendent of Schools, Angus Wilson
Assistant Superintendent, Larry Jepsen
Secretary Treasurer, Corien Becker
Executive Assistant, Aleksandra Zwierzchowska (Recorder)

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by the Chairperson. The Chair acknowledged the meeting was being held on Stó:lō Territory. There are four First Nation Bands within the boundaries of the Mission School District: Leq:a'mel, Sq'èwlets, Kwantlen, and Matsqui First Nations.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOVED and Seconded that the Agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

3. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Sliziak highlighted the renovations to the school library and transformed the space into an open space for learning commons. The School Librarian, Mrs. Kaszonyi presented on some new learning technologies that the students are exploring at Cherry Hill Elementary.

3.1 Bike to Work/ School Week

Rocky Blodin with Mission Community Cycling Coalition (MCCC) provided information about the Bike to Work/ School week which will include a pop-up bike lane on 7th Avenue. More information available at missionridesbikes.org.

A question was asked about communication being shared with the Students and Parents at MSS regarding the bike to work/ school week. A representative from the organizations has met with the student leadership group and emails have been shared with the Principal.

3.2 Mission in Motion

Rocky Blondin provided information about the Mission in Motion project that focuses on getting a challenge to get the community moving. This initiative takes place between May 31 - June 16, 2019. More information available at missioninmotion.ca

3.3 International Field Trip Application: Zambia and Botswana

MOVED and Seconded that the International Travel Application for up to thirty (30) student in Grades 10, 11, and 12 to travel to Zambia and Botswana between March 11, 2020 and March 20, 2020 be approved.

CARRIED

A presentation was provided at the Committee of the Whole and the Superintendent noted that Mr. Matheny comes with extensive experience organizing global education trips.

5. STAFF REPORTS

5.1 Reporting out from Closed Meeting

The Board Chair advised that the Closed meeting did not conclude and that the Board will reconvene the meeting following the Public meeting. The Superintendent will report out the items discussed at the Public meeting in June.

5.2 BAA Courses

MOVED and Seconded that the following Board / Authority Authorized courses be approved, as amended by incorporating the recommendations from the Indigenous Mentor Teacher.

- Basketball 11 and 12 – Training, Competing and Officiating
- Business Law
- Criminology 12
- Community Support Worker 12A, 12B, 12C
- ELL Level 2 Course and ELL Level 3 Course
- Football 11 and 12
- Hockey 11 and 12
- Human Services 2B, 2C

Human Services 12A
Lacrosse 11 and 12
Leadership 11 and 12
Peer Tutoring 11 and 12
Post-Secondary Preparation
Psychology 11 and 12
Rugby 11 and 12
Self-Efficacy 11 and 12
Volleyball Intelligence and Officiating 11
Yearbook 11 and 12

CARRIED

The Assistant Superintendent advised that the Indigenous Mentor Teacher provided recommendations related to Aboriginal Worldviews for each course. The Teachers are working on revising each course to include the recommendations.

It was noted that Leadership 12 is missing from the package and to ensure that this course is reviewed by the Indigenous Mentor Teacher.

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Extending the CotW meeting time

MOVED and Seconded That Board Meeting Procedure Policy #50, be amended to read as follows:

Section 1.5.5

Change the following:

from “meetings will not proceed past 6:00 pm”
to “meetings will not proceed past 6:30 pm”

CARRIED

The Board discussed the item to extend the meeting extensively at the Committee of the Whole meeting on May 7, 2019. Extending the meeting until 6:30 pm will allow more time with discussion points when necessary.

6.2 \$10aDay Child Care Plan

MOVED and Seconded that the Board of Education Mission Public Schools SD #75 philosophically support the concept of affordable child care such as a \$10.00 a day plan, similar to the one proposed by the Coalition of Child Care Advocates of BC. We also believe there should be more support and educational aspects under ministerial governance in any plan initiated.

CARRIED

The Board discussed supporting the letter regarding \$10 a Day Child Care and noted that there should be more structure surrounding ministerial oversight and governance beyond just child care.

6.3 Minerva Foundation

MOVED and Seconded that the School District endorse the work of the Board Chair and the Mayor of the District of Mission on the initiative of the Minerva Foundation promoting leadership and mentoring opportunities for young women in the community.

CARRIED

The Board Chair met with the Mayor Pam Alexis to discuss hosting a forum supported by the Minerva Foundation to provide mentoring opportunities to young women.

Clarification was provided that the event is in the early planning stages and the age group for the forum is yet to be confirmed.

7. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

7.1 Board of Education Public Meeting Minutes, April 16, 2019

MOVED and Seconded that the Board of Education Public meeting minutes dated April 16, 2019 be approved.

CARRIED

8. INFORMATION ITEMS

8.1 2019-2020 School Fees (Middle + Secondary)

The school fees are provided as information.

10. COMMITTEE MINUTES/LIAISON REPORTS

Trustees reported on:

- HPMS Dinner
- Student Recognition Dinner at MSS
- Nicomen Island Meeting for Land owners
- Participated in the interview process for Scholarships as a Board member for the Mission Community Foundations
- Eco HPMS unveiling project of their legacy projects for origami
- Meeting with previous Staff of Stave Falls Elementary
- BCSTA AGM

- Salmon Ceremony in Fort Langley
- Track n Field Meet at Albert McMahan
- 1st Salmon Ceremony at Hillside
- Indigenous Education Meeting
- Volunteered teaching a yoga Class at HPMS for Mental Health Week
- Mission Community Foundation Scholarship Award Ceremony
- Meeting with Mayor & Council & Minister Chen
- Unveiling of the Inclusion Walkway at the Board office

12. QUESTION PERIOD

A question was asked regarding school fees and what happens if a family is unable to pay the fees. The Superintendent confirmed that fees can be waived to ensure that students are not excluded from playing on a school team.

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED and Seconded that the Board adjourn the meeting.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm.

Chairperson

Secretary Treasurer