

Board of Education Meeting

January 24, 2017 6:30 pm

École Heritage Park Middle School – Clarke Theatre, 33700 Prentis Avenue, Mission, BC

Members Present:

Chair Rick McKamey
Vice-Chair Tracy Loffler
Trustee Randy Cairns
Trustee Shelley Carter
Trustee Jim Taylor

Staff Present:

Superintendent Angus Wilson
Secretary Treasurer Corien Becker
Assistant Superintendent Larry Jepsen
Executive Assistant Tracy Orobko (Recorder)

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by the Board Chairperson. The Chair acknowledged that Mission School District falls within the Sto:lo Traditional Territory and within our boundaries have four bands: Kwantlen, Matsqui, Leq:a'mel and Sq'èwlets (Scowlitz) First Nations.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Two additional items:

5.1 Revised handout

5.4 Reporting out from the January 24, 2017 Closed meeting

MOVED and seconded that the Agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED

3. Delegations/Presentations

Business Education / Yearbook Student Presentation: Greg McNeill, Educator and Students.

The students provided a presentation on their fundraising and “giving back to community” initiatives including hot lunch, yearbook design/sales and the Thistle Stop school store. The students conveyed their responsibilities of running a store, handling money, and conducting stock orders. Skills gained include meeting and communicating with others; goal setting; developing team leadership; independence; implementing creativity; marketing skills. Partnerships have been forged with *Shawn Lane's DJ-ing*, *My House Youth Society* and *Fraser Valley Humane society*. Students have learned the importance of helping others.

4. Unfinished Business

5. Staff Reports

2017 Trustee Committee and Liaison Appointments

MOVED and seconded that the 2017 Trustee Committee and Liaison Appointments be approved as presented.

CARRIED

Catchment Areas, Cross-Boundary Applications, Schools of Choice and Programs of Choice Policy #300

The Secretary Treasurer introduced the policy and procedures attached to the Agenda. The most significant changes were to the procedures. Some schools are at capacity. Means some children may not be accepted. Policy assists with highlighting how we prioritize placement of students.



MOVED and seconded that the *Catchment Areas, Cross Boundary, Schools of Choice, and Programs of Choice* policy be approved.

CARRIED

School Closure Bylaws 2017-1 and 2017-2 Cade Barr and Nicomen Island Schools

The Secretary Treasurer clarified that when the School District submitted the actual disposal Bylaws, the Ministry indicated they had no original school closures on their files and asked the School District to pass two new ones as a formality.

THAT the following resolutions be approved:

Cade Barr School Closure – Bylaw 2017-1

MOVED and seconded that the required three (3) readings and adoption of School District No. 75 (Mission) Cade Barr School Closure Bylaw No. 2017-1 be carried out in one meeting.

CARRIED

MOVED and seconded School District No. 75 (Mission) Cade Barr School Closure Bylaw No. 2017-1 be approved as read a first time.

CARRIED

MOVED and seconded that School District No. 75 (Mission) Cade Barr School Closure Bylaw No. 2017-1 be approved as read a second time.

CARRIED

MOVED and seconded that School District No. 75 (Mission) Cade Barr School Closure Bylaw No. 2017-1 be approved as read a third time and finally adopted.

CARRIED

Nicomen Island School Closure – Bylaw 2017-2

MOVED and seconded that the required three (3) readings and adoption of School District No. 75 (Mission) Nicomen Island School Closure Bylaw No. 2017-2 be carried out in one meeting.

CARRIED

MOVED and seconded the School District No. 75 (Mission) Nicomen Island School Closure Bylaw No. 2017-2 be approved as read a first time.

CARRIED

MOVED and seconded that the School District No. 75 (Mission) Nicomen Island School Closure Bylaw No. 2017-2 be approved as read a second time.

CARRIED

MOVED and seconded the School District No. 75 (Mission) Nicomen Island School Closure Bylaw No. 2017-2 be approved as read a third time and finally adopted.

CARRIED

Reporting out from the Closed Meeting

The Superintendent reported on property matters and announced the following appointments:

- Appointments of G. Michaud: Acting Principal (CM); Shannon Greig: Acting Vice-Principal (CM), and Property matters were discussed;



- The Board directed staff to bring a revised Policy #430 to the February 7th Committee of the Whole; and
- Public announcement of the appointments: S. Sliziac: Vice-Principal (Hillside); A. Miller: Acting Vice-Principal (MSS), and L. Dickinson: Acting Vice-Principal (MSS).

6. New Business

Solar Photovoltaic Electrical Generation System

Trustee Cairns provided an amended motion to the original.

Trustee Taylor offered to withdraw his motion from the Agenda to which it was not permitted under Robert's Rules of Order as it formed the Agenda.

Original Motion:

MOVED and seconded that the purchase and installation of a solar photovoltaic electrical generation system be approved;

AND THAT the Board of Education directs the Secretary Treasurer to include in the budget, up to \$50,000 from the 2016/2017 amended Budget and/or the 2017/2018 budget.

Trustee Cairns provided and read an amended motion to the original:

MOVED and seconded that the purchase and installation of an initial solar photovoltaic electrical generation system be approved;

AND THAT the Board of Education direct the Secretary Treasurer to include a line in the budget from the 2016/2017 amended budget and/or the 2017/2018 budget.

Trustee Loffler requested the matter be postponed.

MOVED THAT the Board postpone the original motion until the January 31, 2017, Committee of the Whole meeting as agreed upon at the January 10, 2017 committee of the whole meeting.

MOTION FAILED (opposed: Carter, Taylor, Cairns)

Discussion ensued on process. This matter was discussed and agreed upon at the January 19th Committee of the Whole ("COTW") Meeting, with partner groups present, asking staff to bring back information and that it would be discussed at the January 31st COTW meeting. In order to respect the process from the January 10th it was proposed to see this come back to the January 31st meeting as planned.

The Secretary Treasurer reminded the Board of the discussion to where it was agreed at January 31st COTW meeting, staff would be bringing the amended budget for 2016/2017 year. It is the Secretary Treasurer's preference the Board considers this more fully during the budget process.

Comments included:

- Community partners wishing to assist with partnering and leveraging funds to go green;
- Some not convinced solar is a priority;
- At the COTW meeting, it was agreed to obtain more information.
- Financial vulnerability; and
- Other projects will be put at risk.

Trustee Carter proposed an amendment to the Trustee Cairns' amended motion:

AMENDED MOTION

MOVED and seconded that the Board of Education direct the Secretary Treasurer to include a line in the budget from the 2016/2017 amended budget, and/or the 2017/2018 budget, regarding a solar photovoltaic electrical generation system.

FAILED (In Favour: None)

Discussion ensued and points of order made.

MOVED and seconded that the purchase and installation of an initial solar photovoltaic electrical generation system be approved;

AND THAT the Board of Education direct the Secretary Treasurer to include a line in the budget from the 2016/2017 amended budget and/or the 2017/2018 budget.

CARRIED (Opposed: Trustees Loffler and McKamey)

7. Minutes of Previous Meeting

MOVED and Seconded that the Board of Education meeting minutes of December 13, 2016, be approved as presented.

CARRIED

8. Information Items

District Parent Advisory Council Update

The written report was attached to the Agenda.

9. Correspondence

November 22, 2016: Ministry of Education – *Rural Education Strategy*;
November 25, 2016: T. Rezansoff, BCSTA – *Letter to M. deJong*;
November 30, 2016: SD #81 (Fort Nelson) – *Exempt Staff Compensation*;
December 1, 2016: SD #57 (Prince George) – *Rural Education Strategy*;
December 5, 2016: SD #61 (Greater Victoria) – *BC Teachers' Federation*;
December 8, 2016: SD #72 (Campbell River) – *Special Education Funding*;
December 16, 2016: SD #28 (Quesnel) – *2017 Budget*;
December 16, 2016: SD #19 (Revelstoke) – *Funding Matters*;
December 19, 2016: SD #27 (Cariboo-Chilcotin) – *Funding / Budget 2017*;
December 30, 2016: Ministry of Education – *Local Government Election*;
December 30, 2016: BCSTA – *Input to Rural Education Review Process*;
January 3, 2017: Ministry of Education – *Rural Education Enhancement Fund ("REEF")*;
January 4, 2017: Ministry of Education – *Rural Education Review/financial Health Working Group*;
January 5, 2017: Ministry of Education – *News Release: Provincial Support of \$50 Million*;
January 5, 2017: SD #5 (Southeast Kootenay) – *Rural Education Review Process*;
January 9, 2017: BC Confederation of parent Advisory Councils: *Resignation of John Bird*;
January 11, 2017: Ministry of Education – *Rural Education Regional Meeting Invitation Letter*;
January 11, 2017: Ministry of Education – *Priority Measures*.

10. Committee Minutes/Liaison Reports

Trustees Reported:

- Dewdney School – Environmental project;
- Vice-Principal interviews;
- BCSTA Elections Committee Report by Trustee Carter;
- Reconciliation Pole Raising – UBC;
- DPAC meeting;
- Siwal Si'wes at Leg:a'mel First Nations luncheon;
- Chamber of Commerce luncheon – BC CEO Chamber: Focus is Truth and Reconciliation;
- Cyndie Anderson – Crisis Intervention Workshop;
- Farewell assembly at Albert McMahon for outgoing Principal D. Cyr.

11. Question Period

Questions asked must be related to items discussed on the Agenda and related to the Agenda. Personnel, land and legal issues will not be discussed.

A question was asked regarding the Cade Barr School Closure Bylaw and the date of closure. Staff confirmed the dates have been pulled from files and notes; the Ministry simply requires a Bylaw at this time to coincide with the already submitted Disposal of Property Bylaw.

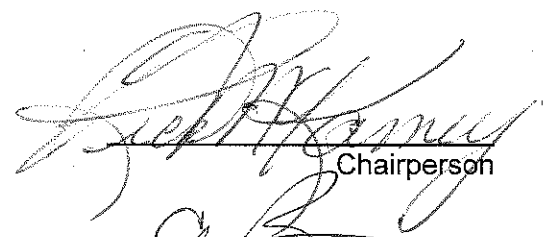
A question was asked regarding budget line items and the move of the Facilities Department to Ferndale. Staff suspects the conversation occurred at a business committee meeting of the Board.

A question was asked regarding microphones and Board meetings. Staff responded it would have to take into consideration the locations, environments, and ease of access to equipment.


A question was asked and clarification provided regarding the appointment of L. Dickenson as Acting Vice-Principal at MSS. Staff confirmed the District is posting for another counselor position.

12. Adjournment

**MOVED and seconded that the meeting adjourn at 8:07 pm.
CARRIED**



Chairperson



Secretary Treasurer