

Board of Education Meeting - Public
December 19, 2017 at 6:30pm
District Education Office, 33046 – 4th Avenue, Mission, BC

Members Present:

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

Staff Present:

Superintendent Angus Wilson
Secretary Treasurer Corien Becker
Executive Assistant Aleksandra Zwierzchowska (Recorder)

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 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

No delegations.

4. Election of Chairperson

The Chairperson passed the gavel over to the Secretary Treasurer to conduct the election of the Chairperson. The Secretary Treasurer asked Trustee Loffler if she accepts the nomination; Trustee Loffler agreed.

Trustee Loffler was nominated for the position of Chairperson. The Secretary Treasurer asked for further nominations. No other nominations were made. Trustee Loffler was acclaimed to the position of Chairperson.

5. Election of Vice Chairperson

Trustee Carter was nominated for the position of Vice-Chairperson. The Secretary Treasurer asked Trustee Carter if she accepts the nomination; Trustee Carter agreed. The Secretary Treasurer asked for further nominations. No further nominations were made. Trustee Carter was acclaimed to the position of Vice-Chairperson.

The new Board Chair thanked the outgoing Board Chair for all his years of dedication and acknowledged Trustee McKamey for a job well done with fulfilling the related responsibilities.

6. Unfinished Business

No items were brought forward.

7. Staff Reports

7.1 2017 Annual Report / 2016-17 Audited Financial Statements

MOVED and Seconded that the June 30, 2017 Annual Report, including the 2016-2017 Financial Statements, be approved.

CARRIED

The Secretary Treasurer mentioned the 2017 Annual Report along with the 2016-17 Financial Statements, were presented at the December 12, 2017 Committee of the Whole meeting. The changes were noted from the Committee of the Whole presentation, on pages 9, 10, and 11.

7.2 2016-17 Statement of Financial Information

Moved and Seconded that pursuant to the *Financial Information Act* (the “Act”) the Statement of Financial Information be approved.

CARRIED

The Secretary Treasurer referred to the report attached to the agenda and noted the Statement of Financial Information was presented at the December 12, 2017 Committee of the Whole meeting.

7.3 Reporting out from Closed Meeting

The Superintendent reported that property and personnel matters were discussed. The Superintendent also announced two additional Special Committee of the Whole meetings have been scheduled; one on January 24th 2018 and the other one on January 30th 2018.

8. New Business

8.1 Facilities Upgrades to Washroom / Changeroom Signs

Main Motion

Moved and Seconded that Mission Public Schools dedicate resources with the 2017/2018 amended budget to continue facilities upgrades on washrooms, change rooms, signage or other identified improvements to ensure equal inclusive and safe accommodation for all students.

Trustee Cairns referred to the rationale attached to the agenda.

Amendment

To insert the word “design” after the word facilities.

Amended Motion

Moved and Seconded that Mission Public Schools dedicate resources with the 2017/2018 amended budget to continue facilities design, upgrades on washrooms, change rooms, signage or other identified improvements to ensure equal inclusive and safe accommodation for all students.

CARRIED

9. Minutes of Previous Meetings

MOVED and Seconded that the Board of Education meeting minutes dated November 21, 2017 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

10. Information Items

The Chair referred to the information items outlined in the agenda.

11. Correspondence

12. Liaison Reports

Trustees reported on the following:

Minutes



- First Nations Steering Education Committee Conference;
- Sub-committee meeting for Trades at Riverside College;
- Mission Secondary School Christmas Dinner;
- Vice Principal interviews;
- Siwal Si' wes lunch;
- Various Christmas concerts;
- Lifetime Learners intergenerational lunch.

13. Announcement

No announcements were made.

14. Question Period

Q: Are we reinventing the wheel when it comes to item 8.1? Has the district reached out to other districts who have started the process?

R: Some items are easier to address than others; change rooms will pose some challenges. We need to have a broader conversation on the future of change rooms. The idea is not to draw attention to being different. Instead, the conversation should be focused on creating a safe environment.

15. Adjournment

Moved and Seconded to adjourn the meeting.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 7:09 pm.

Certified Correct:

Original Signed by Tracy Loffler

Chair Board of Education

Original Signed by Corien Becker

Secretary Treasurer

January 23, 2018

Date

January 23, 2018

Date