

**Board of Education Meeting - Public**  
**February 20, 2018 at 6:30pm**  
**West Heights Elementary, 32065 Van Velzen Avenue, Mission, BC V2V 4J7**

**Members Present:**

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

**Staff Present:**

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

**Absent:**

Assistant Superintendent Larry Jepsen

**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**

Darran Forrest, Principal of West Heights Elementary introduced Dr. Dhaliwal who made a power point presentation about the Applied Design, Skills and Technologies curriculum at the school.

Following the power point presentation, a group of students demonstrated the electronics and modular robotics objects found in the schools Innovation Lab trolley.

**4. Unfinished Business**

No unfinished business items were presented.

**5. Staff Reports**

5.1 Camera Installation – Albert McMahon

**MOVED and Seconded that the Board of Education approve up to eight (8) cameras to be installed at Albert McMahon elementary school monitoring the outside entrances to the building, and the outside areas where vandalism and loitering occur.**

**CARRIED**

The Superintendent noted that Albert McMahon has been impacted by vandalism. The request for cameras was presented at the February 6, 2018 Committee of the Whole meeting. It is a requirement that the school Parent Advisory Committee approve the installation of cameras prior to the Board's approval. In addition, an annual review is required to assess if the installation and operation of the video surveillance cameras are accomplishing the set out purpose.

The School is t-shaped; to assist with coverage around the entire perimeter, one camera would be installed at the front, one on each side of the building, and the remainder in the back. If an existing light is not currently installed, then one would be installed with the camera.

### 5.2 Budget Timeline

**MOVED and Seconded that the timeline for the 2017-2018 Preliminary Budget be approved.**

#### **CARRIED**

The Secretary Treasurer prepared the proposed timeline for the 2017/2018 preliminary budget process; this item has not been shared with the Committee of the Whole as this document is in a preliminary process. It was noted that the Superintendent will consult with Middle and High school students regarding input on the budget.

### 5.3 Appointment of Auditor

**MOVED and Seconded that KPMG LLP be appointed as the external auditor for the School District's Financial Statement Audit for the year ending June 30, 2018.**

#### **CARRIED**

Last March the Board approved that KPMG be the appointed auditor. An authorized accounting firm must audit the school district's financial statements and in accordance with the legislation, the Board must approve the appointment of the Auditor for the year ending June 30, 2018.

It was noted that the names of the other firms who submitted a proposal is confidential for competition reasons.

### 5.4 Reporting out from Closed Board Meeting

The Superintendent reported that the Closed meeting did not complete. An announcement will be made at subsequent Public meeting.

## 6. New Business

### 6.1 Essential Repairs to Stave Falls School

#### **MAIN MOTION**

**MOVED and Seconded that MPSD immediately begin building integrity and essential building maintenance required to protect the public investment in the Stave Falls Elementary School building.**

**This work will be expedited to ensure building preparation will be completed on a timeline that could accommodate school start up in September 2018 should the Board so decide.**

## AMENDMENT

**MOVED and Seconded** that the following line be deleted, *“This work will be expedited to ensure building preparation will be completed on a timeline that could accommodate school start up in September 2018 should the Board so decide.”*

**CARRIED, Trustee Taylor Opposed**

## AMENDED MOTION

**MOVED and Seconded** that MPSD immediately begin building integrity and essential building maintenance required to protect the public investment in the Stave Falls Elementary School building.

## **CARRIED**

Trustee Taylor - Speaking to the second part of the motion, in order for contracts to be issued in a timely manner, the process would need to start immediately.

Trustee Cairns – Concerned with the timeline and that it could take away from current facility projects.

Trustee McKamey – Expressed concerns with the timeline and would like the work to be completed in a timely fashion but September 2018 gives tight deadlines.

Trustee Carter – The time will come where the Board will debate necessary timelines.

Trustee Loffler – Speaking on the main motion, would like avoid placing the Board in an awkward position.

## **7. Minutes of Previous Meetings**

**MOVED and Seconded** that the Public meeting minutes dated January 23, 2018 be approved as presented.

## **CARRIED**

## **8. Information Items**

The following items were shared as information:

- Enrolment data for Mission Public Schools from January 2012 to January 2018;
- A letter regarding a motion to request Trustee Neufeld to resign from the Chilliwack SD;
- A letter from Quesnel SD written to the Ministry of Education regarding rural enhancement requests;
- The Superintendent reported that there is a meeting held by DPAC tomorrow at Mission Secondary at 7pm. The meeting will provide information on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity.

## **9. Correspondence**

No correspondence presented at this time.

## **10. Liaison Reports**

Trustees reported on:

- Touring Stave Falls Elementary School
- Attending the following:
  - Special Committee of the Whole regarding Riverside College,
  - Leq:a'mel alternate summit,
  - BC School Trustee Association (BCSTA) Aboriginal Education Committee,
  - Siwal Se' Wes meeting at Leq:a'mel,
  - LGBTQ+ stage at Heritage Park,
  - Fraser Valley Branch meeting,
  - Upcoming a meeting with parent to discuss Dry Grad,
  - Grade 9 parent meeting at Mission Secondary School,
  - BCSTA Provincial Council,
  - Riot to reading,
- Meeting with a number of constituents one on one,
- Meeting with Kwantlen First Nations,
- Meeting with BC Ombudsperson who is working on a PR campaign,
- Luncheon at Christine Morrison Elementary honouring elders,
- Special thank you to the volleyball coaches and principals who attend the games to cheer on all the students.

### 11. Question Period

Q: What would the Superintendent consult with students about?

R: Last year due to timeline constraints, the Superintendent met with high school students regarding budget recommendations and input. That information was then shared with the Committee of the Whole. This year the Superintendent will consult with students at the Middle and Secondary levels.

The Board Chair informed the public that the Board ran out of time and did not complete the Closed meeting. The Closed meeting will resume following the Public meeting.

# Minutes



**12. Adjournment**

**MOVED and Seconded to adjourn the meeting.**

**CARRIED**

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Certified Correct:

Original Signed by Tracy Loffler  
Chair, Board of Education

Original Signed by Corien Becker  
Secretary Treasurer

March 13, 2018  
Date

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