

**School District #75 (Mission)
Special Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes**

**October 29, 2019, 3:00 pm
District Education Office, 33046 4th Avenue, Mission, BC**

- Members Present:** Board Chair, Tracy Loffler
Trustee Shelley Carter
Vice Chair Randy Cairns
Trustee Rick McKamey
Trustee, Julia Renkema
Assistant Superintendent, Karen Alvarez
- Staff Present:** Secretary Treasurer Corien Becker
Superintendent of Schools Angus Wilson
Executive Assistant Aleksandra Zwierzchowska (Recorder)
- Others Present:** MTU President Janice Nikolic, MTU VP - Ryan MaCarty and
Principal Linda Ziefflie.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:10 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

One addition: 3.3 Boundary Review

MOVED and Seconded the Agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

3. NEW BUSINESS

3.1 Funding Model Review Working Group Reports

The Chair asked if the Board of Education is in favour of the motion that was passed at the BCSTA Provincial Council recommending that all School Districts be provided an opportunity to pilot the new funding formula. All

Board members are in favour of the motion. The Chair stated that this will be included in the Board's correspondence to the Ministry of Education.

The Committee reviewed the reports prepared by the Funding Model Review - Working Group and noted the following:

- that any new reporting requirements are a part of the Board's reporting process to the Ministry
- that changes to the reporting process does not burden staff
- encourage the Ministry to work with other Ministries to obtain funding for support on health-related factors
- IT infrastructure to be fully funded specifically for First Nations students living on reserve
- that the Ministry provide on-going opportunities for Boards to participate in fine tuning the formula once it is implemented
- that the Ministry fully fund the implementation of any new funding model

3.2 School Site Acquisition - BCSTA Discussion Paper

The Chair advised that the submission deadline was extended until the end of November. The Chair engaged the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) for the District of Mission to provide comments on the discussion paper.

The Committee reviewed the discussion paper and comments provided by the CAO and noted the following:

- school site acquisitions should be reviewed regularly to reflect current land values
- maximum collectible amounts should be increased each year to balance with CPI
- concerns with tying the SSAC's to the rate of municipal parkland
- support regulatory changes at the provincial level
- request that the Provincial government fund approval for school site acquisitions
- support the concept that developers continue to have the option of dedicating designated school sites to the school district in return for the payment of SSAC's
- developers should pay the fees for DCCs and SSACs, not tax payers
- any savings that the Ministry is able to provide should be put back in Education and not another Ministry

3.3 Rescheduling a meeting for Boundary Review

That a new date be scheduled for November 26, 2019 at 3:30 pm to continue the discussion on boundary review.

4. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED and Seconded that the Board adjourn the meeting.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 5:12 pm.

Certified Correct:

Original Signed by Tracy Loffler

Original Signed by Corien Becker

Chair, Board of Education

Secretary Treasurer