

School District #75 (Mission)

Special Public Meeting of the Board of Education

**February 23, 2021, 3:30 pm
Zoom Meeting**

- Members Present:** Board Chair, Tracy Loffler
Vice Chair, Shelley Carter
School Trustee, Randy Cairns
Trustee, Rick McKamey
Trustee, Julia Renkema
- Staff Present:** Superintendent of Schools, Angus Wilson
Secretary-Treasurer, Corien Becker
Assistant Superintendent, Karen Alvarez
Assistant Secretary-Treasurer - Derek Welsh
HR Director - Tina Phelps
Operations Director - Dana MacLean
Executive Assistant, Ilona Schmidt (Recorder)
- Others Present:** DPAC Treasurer - Jacquelyn Wickham, CUPE President
Faye Howell, Teacher - Angela Bout, DPAC Chair - Cheryl
Blondin, MTU President - Ryan McCarty, MTU Vice-
President – Janise Nikolic, Principal – Linda Hamel

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 pm by the Chairperson. The Chair acknowledged that Mission Public Schools is 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.

Trustee McKamey joined the meeting at 3:40 pm.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOVED and Seconded that the Agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

3. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5. STAFF REPORTS

Bylaw and Supplemental information must be approved by February 28, 2021.

5.1 School District No. 75 (Mission) Amended Annual Budget Bylaw for fiscal year 2020/2021

MOVED and Seconded that the required three (3) readings and adoption of School District No. 75 (Mission) Amended Annual Budget Bylaw for fiscal year 2020/2021 be carried out in one meeting.

CARRIED

MOVED and Seconded that School District No. 75 (Mission) Amended Annual Budget Bylaw for fiscal year 2020/2021 be approved as read a first time.

CARRIED

MOVED and Seconded that School District No. 75 (Mission) Amended Annual Budget Bylaw for fiscal year 2020/2021 be approved as read a second time.

CARRIED

MOVED and Seconded that School District No. 75 (Mission) Amended Annual Budget Bylaw for fiscal year 2020/2021 be approved as read a third time and finally adopted.

CARRIED

When will fleet vans and grounds mower be purchased? ASAP. Process of replacement will be initiated as soon as bylaw is approved.

Are there options for the fleet of vans? Considering electric option as well.

Question was asked about clarifying the seismic upgrades costs at MSS. Projected \$50,000 has been allocated to consultant cost so far.

A suggestion came to review enrollment of international students being very low due to Covid. Does it still provide positives to the SD?

The Board Chair has acknowledged the format of the report and provided input that the international students may get positive multicultural and inclusive experience here that they may otherwise not have seen in their home countries.

The Board could consider a formal Motion to move \$500,000 out of unrestricted surplus to restricted operating surplus.

MOVED and Seconded that the board approve a transfer of \$500,000 from the unrestricted surplus to restricted contingency reserve.

DEFEATED

Reserve Funds policy 6.2 directs how the reserve funds are managed. Board approval is required for withdrawals from the reserve funds. A resolution could be put forward in the future to draw funds out.

Funds are restricted so the reserves are not drawn down to zero; keeping a cushion is protecting the School District from a deficit. Unrestricted surplus may give a signal there is money to be spent. Contingency or Restricted Surplus is generally not for regular budget use.

- 6. **NEW BUSINESS**
- 7. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**
- 8. **INFORMATION ITEMS**
- 9. **CORRESPONDENCE**
- 10. **COMMITTEE MINUTES/LIAISON REPORTS**
- 11. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- 12. **QUESTION PERIOD**
- 13. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED and Seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 4:04pm

Signed by T. Loffler

Chair, Board of Education

Signed by C. Becker

Secretary-Treasurer

The minutes were approved on
March 9, 2021 at the Public Board
of Education meeting.