

School District #75 (Mission)
Public Meeting of the Board of Education Minutes

February 19, 2019, 6:30 pm
Hatzic Elementary
8465 Draper Street, SS #1, Mission, BC

Members Present: Board Chair, Tracy Loffler
Trustee, Randy Cairns
Trustee, Rick McKamey
Julia, Renkema

Members Absent: Trustee, Shelley Carter

Staff Present: Superintendent of Schools, Angus Wilson
Secretary Treasurer, Corien Becker
Assistant Superintendent, Larry Jepsen
Executive Assistant, Aleksandra Zwierzchowska (Recorder)

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 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.

Trustee Carter sends her regrets.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOVED and Seconded that the Agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

3. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

No presentation was provided.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4.1 Trades Training Committee

MOVED and Seconded that the Board of Education consider developing a Terms of Reference for the committee to provide options and advise the Board on Trades Training opportunities.

CARRIED

A Trades and Training Advisory committee was established in 2011. The committee lacked an official meeting structure and eventually lost momentum. The motion is presented to provide formal direction to Staff to prepare a Terms of Reference.

4.2 **Stave Falls Elementary Catchment**

MOVED and Seconded that all students K-6 residing in the Stave Falls catchment area be automatically registered at Stave Falls for September 2019 opening;

AND THAT any students wanting to cross boundary will follow cross boundary policy which does not include busing.

AMENDMENT

MOVED and Seconded that current Silverdale Elementary Students living in the Stave Falls Elementary catchment be given cross-boundary priority into Silverdale Elementary.

AMENDED MOTION

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AND THAT any students wanting to cross boundary will follow cross boundary policy which does not include busing;

AND THAT current Silverdale Elementary students living in the Stave Falls Elementary catchment be given cross-boundary priority into Silverdale Elementary.

CARRIED

The Stave Falls school boundary was approved December 2018; the catchment area includes West and North of the Stave River and Hayward Lake. The motion is presented to provide clarity regarding registration procedures and cross boundary applications for students who live in the Stave Falls catchment. An amendment was presented for students who

attend Silverdale and live in the Stave Falls catchment area to receive priority when submitting a cross boundary application for Silverdale. This includes priority of applications submitted for siblings as well.

4.2.1 Motion re busing in the Silverdale and Stave Falls area

MOVED and Seconded that the Board direct staff to provide a report with costs and impacts of busing in the Silverdale and Stave Falls area, including information on:

1. how re-opening Staves Falls will impact our current bussing situation, including Middle School and Secondary;
2. how providing bussing to current Silverdale Elementary students who wish to remain at Silverdale but are in the Stave Falls catchment will impact bussing.

AMENDMENT

An amendment was brought forward to remove items number one and two from the motion.

AMENDED MOTION

MOVED and Seconded that the Board direct staff to provide a report with costs and impacts of bussing in the Silverdale and Stave Falls area.

CARRIED

5. **STAFF REPORTS**

5.1 Field Trip Application to London, England and France

MOVED and Seconded that Ecole Mission Secondary School's international field trip application for approximately thirty-six (36) grade 11 and 12 students to travel to London, England and France from March 16 to March 27, 2020, be approved.

CARRIED

The Superintendent advised that the field trip application was presented and discussed at the CotW on February 6, 2019.

5.2 Cedar Valley OCP Plan

MOVED and Seconded that the following comments be submitted to the District of Mission regarding the referrals to the School District as per

sections 475 and 476 of the Local Government Act for the Cedar Valley OCP amendment:

1. That the plan include policies regarding the support of safe routes to school(s).

AMENDMENT:

MOVED and Seconded that the plan incorporate traffic control through school zones.

AMENDED MOTION:

MOVED and Seconded that the following comments be submitted to the District of Mission regarding the referrals to the School District as per sections 475 and 476 of the Local Government Act for the Cedar Valley OCP amendment:

1. That the plan include policies regarding the support of safe routes to school(s);

2. AND THAT the plan incorporate traffic control through school zones.

CARRIED

5.3 Reporting out from Closed Meeting

The Superintendent reported that during the Closed meeting on January 22, 2019 personnel and property matters were discussed. During the Closed meeting on February 19, 2019 personnel and property matters were discussed.

Also, on January 29, 2019 and February 7, 2019, the Board discussed Strategic Planning.

10. COMMITTEE MINUTES/LIAISON REPORTS

10.1 Special Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes, January 10, 2019

MOVED and Seconded that the Special Committee of the Whole meeting minutes dated January 10, 2019 be approved.

CARRIED

10.2 Special Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes, January 15, 2019

MOVED and Seconded that the Special Committee of the Whole meeting minutes dated January 15, 2019 be approved.

CARRIED

Trustee reported on:

BCSTA Indigenous Education Committee, BCSTA Leadership Series, Meetings with Bob D'Eith, Enhancement agreements, Lifetime Learners Open House, BCSTA/ BCPSEA Trustee Orientation, meeting with Stave Falls Stakeholders, Heros Gala in support LGBTQ2 community, Riot of Reading cake cutting ceremony, Elder Beatrice Silver Art Exhibition at HPMS, and Strategic Planning meetings.

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Board Chair advised that regarding Trustee School Liaisons, the Board will represent all schools as members at large.

The Secretary Treasurer advised that the School District is hiring bus drivers.

12. QUESTION PERIOD

Q: How will the Board handle providing priority to students who live the Stave Falls catchment as new developments increase the enrolment at Silverdale Elementary?

A: The SD does not foresee capacity issues. When a family is accepted into a cross boundary, the process is not to kick a family out. There is capacity in the building to absorb an increase regardless of Stave Falls opening.

Q: Does a bus pass through Silverdale already? Is Stave Falls going to be a school with a busing route.

Currently, there is no busing provided to students at Silverdale. The Transportation department is working on a busing plan for the Stave Falls catchment as there are students that are beyond the walk limits to the Stave Falls School.

Q: How many students are registered for Stave Falls?

A: 32, however, registration is in the early stages.

Q: How many students are projected to attend Silverdale next year?

A: Approximately, 91 students.

Q: Will Silverdale have more than a two-grade split?

A: Stave Falls is more likely to have more than a two-grade split.

Q: Why wasn't Stave Falls opened as a School of Choice.

A: The Board decided to offer a focused program to make it a viable school. Also, a school is a hub of the community. If you made it a choice school, you would remove the school from the community.

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED and Seconded that the Board adjourn the meeting.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm.

Certified Correct:

Original Signed by Tracy Loffler

Original Signed by Corien Becker

Chair, Board of Education

Secretary Treasurer

March 12, 2019

March 12, 2019

Date

Date