



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
SUNSHINE COAST BOARD OF EDUCATION  
(SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 46)**

**Held on Tuesday, October 12, 2010  
At the School Board Office, Gibsons, B.C.**

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**PRESENT: TRUSTEES:** S. White, Chair; D. Mewhort, Vice-Chair; F. Heppell;  
J. Scott; G. Russell; K. Sinnott

**STAFF:** D. Palmer, Superintendent of Schools  
T. Hierck, Assistant Superintendent of Schools  
D. Ready, Secretary-Treasurer  
C. McPhedran, Administrative Assistant

**REGRETS:** Trustee L. Pratt

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**#12 Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

**#13 Presentation – (10 minutes in total)**

Dr. Dan Kingsbury – The Jellyfish Project

Dr. Kingsbury provided the audience with the background of the Jellyfish Project and the proposal to have School District 46 (Sunshine Coast) and School District No. 44 (North Vancouver) pilot a program, which will offer the project as part of the curriculum for grade 4 and grade 11 students.

Chair White thanked Dr. Kingsbury for the presentation. He acknowledged the meeting was taking place on the traditional territory of the Squamish Nation and welcomed the audience.

**#14 Public Question Period – (10 minutes in total)**

The Board received and responded to questions from the public.

**#15 Adoption of the Agenda**

**MOTION:** Sinnott/Scott

“THAT the agenda of October 12, 2010 be adopted as circulated.”

Carried.

#16 Approval of Minutes of Prior Meetings

MOTION: Mewhort/Heppell

“THAT the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 14, 2010 and the Record of the Closed Meeting of September 14, 2010 be adopted as circulated.

Carried.

#17 Reports

(a) Executive Report:

In addition to the information items included in the report, the following topics were reviewed with trustees:

ACTION ITEMS

Superintendent Palmer reviewed the report.

1. Class Size Report for September, 2010

MOTION: Russell/Mewhort

“THAT the Board of School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast) accept the report indicating that the Superintendent has received and reviewed the Principal’s report for all schools and classes for the 2010/2011 school year and confirms that as of September 30, 2010, the organization of classes is in compliance with the provisions of the *School Act* and is appropriate for student learning.”

Carried.

2. Student Survey Prize Draw

Chair White and Vice-Chair Mewhort drew names for the winners of the Student Survey Award.

The winners were:

- Winner of the \$500 – Lauren Jasch (Garrels)
- Winner of the \$750 – Lucas Wagner
- Winner of the \$1000 – Jessica Termuende

(b) Chair’s Report:

As submitted.

(c) Board/Committee Reports:

1. Education Committee – June 24, 2010

As submitted.

2. Policy Committee – June 8, 2010 and September 14, 2010

As submitted.

3. Finance and Facilities – September 16, 2010

As submitted.

The next meeting of the Finance and Facilities Committee will be held at the School Board Office on Thursday, October 14, 2010. J. Alkins of Alkins Project Services Inc. will provide an update on the District Facilities Plan.

4. Ad Hoc Trustee Honorarium Review – September 23, 2010

Trustee Mewhort made a correction to his report, stating that the first bulleted item should read:

*“No increases have been made for **three** years to the Board Honorariums and during that same period every employee in the district received increases and bonuses each year.”*

MOTION: Mewhort/Scott

“THAT the Board of School District 46 (Sunshine Coast) recommends that Board Honorariums be increased back to provincial average (namely from \$11,000 to \$13,313 for Trustees; from \$12,500 to \$14,813 for Vice-Chairs and from \$14,000 to \$16,908 for Chair) and that these increases take effect December 1, 2010.”

Discussion followed.

3 in favour, 2 opposed  
Carried.

5. Provincial Council Report

As submitted.

MOTION: Mewhort/Heppell

“THAT the reports be received.”

Carried.

#18 Correspondence

- (a) J. Stevens – Public input re: Downtown to West Sechelt Road Option
- (b) M. Billotte – Re: Public input
- (c) C. Hughes, Member of Parliament – Wi-Fi in schools and communities
- (d) Minister MacDiarmid – Response to BCSTA resolutions
- (e) British Columbia Teachers’ Federation

MOTION: Russell/Sinnott

“THAT the correspondence be received.”

Carried.

#19 New Business

- (a) Regulations for Approval

Superintendent Palmer summarized the regulations that were submitted for approval and explained the minor changes that had been made.

- (i) Regulation 1850 – Student Records
- (ii) Regulation 4410 – Honoraria
- (iii) Regulation 4220 – Donations
- (iv) Regulation 5350 – Health and Safety
- (v) Regulation 5600 – Job Descriptions
- (vi) Regulation 5680 – Reference Checks and Search of Criminal Records:  
Volunteer and Former or Prospective Employees

MOTION: Russell/Heppell

“THAT the Board of School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast) approve the regulations as submitted.”

Carried.

- (b) Regulations for Circulations

- (i) Regulation 5725 – Selection and Appointment of Senior Executive
- (ii) Regulation 5220 – Assignment of a SETA or Teacher to a Home Worksite

Superintendent Palmer reported that the two regulations would go into circulation for eight weeks. A draft regulation response form was included in the agenda package and public input was encouraged.

#20 Questions and Inquiries From the Public Relating to the Board Meeting

The Board received and responded to questions from the public.

#21 Next Meeting

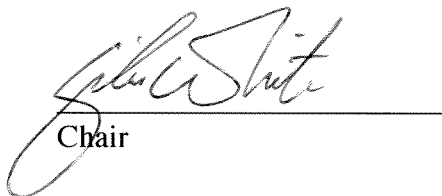
The next Regular Board Meeting will be held at the School Board Office on November 9, 2010.

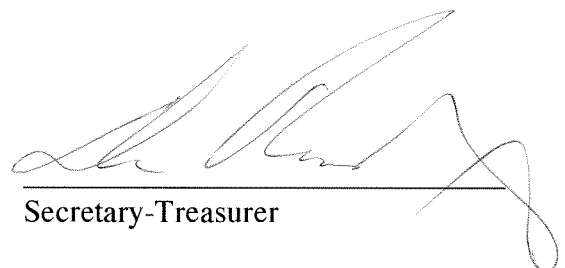
Chair White reported that the December Board Meeting would be held at the Sechelt Learning Centre.

#22 Adjournment

MOTION: Russell/Mewhort

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

  
Chair

  
Secretary-Treasurer