



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

Held on Wednesday, May 9th, 2018
At the School Board Office, Gibsons, B.C.

PRESENT: TRUSTEES: L. Pratt (Chair), B. Baxter; D. Mewhort, G. Russell, P. Ruth,
C. Younghusband; P. Deasey (Student Trustee)

STAFF: P. Bocking, Superintendent of Schools
P. Bishop, Director of Instruction
V. White, Director of Instruction
N. Weswick, Secretary-Treasurer
E. Reimer, Executive Assistant (Recording Secretary)

REGRETS: L. Dixon, Trustee

#63. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Chair Pratt acknowledged that the meeting was taking place on the territory of the Squamish Nation and welcomed those in attendance.

#64. Celebrating Education: International Education – Dave Hunt and Students

Dave Hunt, International Education Program Coordinator, reported to the board on activities for international program students. Recent activities have included local hikes, boat tours in Pender Harbour, trips to Science World and Lynn Canyon, as well as curling at local facilities. Mr. Hunt reported that students are afforded opportunity to learn about Canadian culture and through their homestays are able to take part in authentic Canadian experiences. Four students accompanied Mr. Hunt; Fiorenza Leonardo from Italy, Leonie Steiger from Switzerland and Manuel Flesche from Germany, as well as Pender Harbour student Kimberly Fielding, who took part in an exchange to the Netherlands. The students shared highlights of their trips and responded to inquiries from trustees.

#65. Public Question Period

- There were no questions.

#66. Adoption of the Agenda

MOTION: Ruth/Younghusband

“THAT the agenda of May 9, 2018 be adopted.”

Carried.

#67. Approval of Minutes of Prior Meetings and Receipt of Records of Closed Meetings

- a. Regular Meeting – April 11, 2018
- b. Record of Closed Meeting – April 11, 2018

MOTION: Mewhort/Russell

“THAT the minutes of Regular Meeting of April 11, 2018 and the Record of Closed Meeting of April 11, 2018 be adopted.”

Carried.

#68. Reports

a. Executive Reports

i. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Bocking spoke to his written report.

1. Strategic Plan Reports:

a. Goal 1.f. – Music

The report was submitted as written.

b. Goal 1.k. – Graduation

The report was submitted as written

Director Bishop responded to questions regarding changes to the curriculum, assessments and transitions.

c. Goal 2.i. – Facilities

Secretary-Treasurer Weswick spoke to his written report highlighting research on best practices in facilities maintenance.

d. Goal 3.c. – International Education

The report was submitted as written.

2. Administrative Regulations to be Received:

Superintendent Bocking reported that the following regulations circulated for eight weeks and are submitted for receipt.

a. Regulation 3300 – Damage to Personal Property

b. Regulation 6450 – General Hygiene, Communicable Diseases and Medical Concerns

ii. Secretary-Treasurer's Report

Secretary-Treasurer Weswick reported that the district was not successful in their playground equipment application.

1. Expenditure by Object – April 2018

Secretary-Treasurer Weswick noted that Short and Long Term Sick lines remain close to budgeted amounts, while the Employee Benefits line is lower than expected due to the recent changes to MSP billing. He reported that the purchase of multi function buses early in the year have resulted in the line for Furniture and Equipment Replacement coming in higher than anticipated for this time of year.

2. Larger Cheques Written in the Month of April 2018

Trustees inquired on cheques written to Metric Modular and the Sechelt Indian Band. Secretary-Treasurer Weswick indicated that the cheques were for the purchase of portables and to return the underspent funding amount from a prior year's deposit, respectively.

b. Board/Committee Reports

i. Board Report

The report was presented as written. Trustees spoke to their experiences at the Gibsons Welcome Poll Raising and the DSLT Student Forum. Trustees and senior management noted their appreciation for the RCMP Youth Liaison Officer.

MOTION: Russell/Mewhort

“THAT the chair write a letter to the local RCMP detachment to encourage and express support for the continuation of the RCMP Youth Liaison Officer position in schools.”

Carried.

Chair Pratt reported that long term service recognition took place at the recent BCSTA Annual General Meeting. Trustees Baxter and Younghusband were recognized for two terms of service; Chair Pratt was recognized for three terms of service; and Trustees Dixon, Russell and Mewhort were recognized for five terms of service.

1. BCSTA Report – Disposition of Motions

Vice-Chair Ruth was pleased to report that all four of the board’s motions to the BCSTA AGM carried, including three motions relating to the student voice and one relating to wired glass in schools. Trustees attending the AGM reported that they actively sought support for the motions at the hospitality event early in the conference. The process proved beneficial in garnering support for the motions.

Vice-Chair Ruth shared that branch elections would be postponed until after the general trustee elections.

2. BCPSEA Report

Trustee Mewhort reported that BCPSEA continues to prepare for bargaining through consultations with staff. Secretary-Treasurer Weswick and Director Bishop plan to attend a bargaining preparation session in June.

3. Student Trustee Report

Student Trustee Deasey shared a report on activities at local secondary schools, highlighting the following:

- Quiz Night Fundraiser at Pender Harbour Secondary,
- Elphinstone Secondary recently hosted a grade 6-7 dance and is currently holding a plant sale and looking forward to their prom.
- Chatelech Secondary will be holding their prom as well. The Mentors in Violence Prevention program is wrapping up for the year. Students will engage in capstone project interviews and will be presenting e-portfolios to Rotarians in the days following the board meeting.
- SD46 Has Got Talent was a success. The DSLT raised over \$900 for the food bank.
- Great conversations took place at the Student Forum.

Student Trustee shared her impressions of the BCSTA AGM and reported enjoying the opportunity to attend.

The board watched a recording of a pecha kucha presentation by Chair Pratt and Student Trustee Deasey from this year’s Civic Governance Conference.

ii. Operations Committee Notes – April 18, 2018

The notes were presented as written.

MOTION: Baxter/Ruth

“THAT the Board of Education of School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast) support the 2018-19 Budget.”

Carried.

MOTION: Russell/Baxter

“THAT School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast) Annual Budget Bylaw for fiscal year 2018/2019, in the amount of \$46,571,205, be read for a first time.”

Carried.

MOTION: Russell/Ruth

“THAT School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast) Annual Budget Bylaw for fiscal year 2018/2019, in the amount of \$46,571,205, be read for a second time.”

Carried.

Trustees agreed unanimously to proceed to a third reading.

MOTION: Russell/Baxter

“THAT School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast) Annual Budget Bylaw for fiscal year 2018/2019, in the amount of \$46,571,205, be read for a third time, passed and adopted.”

Carried.

iii. Committee of the Whole – April 24, 2018

The notes were submitted as written.

MOTION: Younghusband/Baxter

“THAT the board advocate to the Ministry for additional funding for public education and to question the intent of the Funding Model Review.”

Carried.

Trustees shared their thoughts on the funding review model and noted that with no new money being added to the education system, any change to the funding model would result in an inequitable imbalance where some districts “win” and others “lose”.

iv. Policy Committee – April 24, 2018

The notes were submitted as written.

MOTION: Younghusband/Ruth

“THAT the board approve the Surplus Policy as presented.”

Carried.

MOTION: Younghusband/Mewhort

“THAT the board approve the Trustee Orientation and Professional Development Policy as presented.”

Carried.

The board proceeded to approve the bylaws reviewed at the April 24th Policy Committee meeting.

MOTION: Younghusband/Baxter

“THAT the board approve Trustee Elections Bylaw as presented. ”

Carried.

MOTION: Younghusband/Ruth

“THAT School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast) Trustee Elections Bylaw No. 76, be read for a first time.”

Carried.

MOTION: Younghusband/Ruth

“THAT School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast) Trustee Elections Bylaw No. 76, be read for a second time.”

Carried.

Trustees agreed unanimously to proceed to a third reading.

MOTION: Younghusband/Ruth

“THAT School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast) Trustee Elections Bylaw No. 76, be read for a third time, passed and adopted.”

Carried.

MOTION: Younghusband/Ruth

“TO approve the revised Procedural Bylaws: 50 – Inaugural Meetings, 55 – Presiding Officers and 62 – Committees, as presented.”

Carried.

MOTION: Younghusband/Baxter

“THAT School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast) Inaugural Meetings Bylaw No. 50, be read for a first time.”

Carried.

MOTION: Younghusband/Baxter

“THAT School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast) Inaugural Meetings Bylaw No. 50, be read for a second time.”

Carried.

Trustees agreed unanimously to proceed to a third reading.

MOTION: Younghusband/Baxter

“THAT School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast) Inaugural Meetings Bylaw No. 50, be read for a third time, passed and adopted.”

Carried.

MOTION: Younghusband/Mewhort

“THAT School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast) Presiding Officers Bylaw No. 55, be read for a first time.”

Carried.

MOTION: Younghusband/Ruth

“THAT School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast) Presiding Officers Bylaw No. 55, be read for a second time.”

Carried.

Trustees agreed unanimously to proceed to a third reading.

MOTION: Younghusband/Mewhort

“THAT School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast) Presiding Officers Bylaw No. 55, be read for a third time, passed and adopted.”

Carried.

MOTION: Younghusband/Mewhort

“THAT School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast) Committees Bylaw No. 62, be read for a first time.”

Carried.

MOTION: Younghusband/Ruth

“THAT School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast) Committees Bylaw No. 62, be read for a second time.”

Carried.

Trustees agreed unanimously to proceed to a third reading.

MOTION: Younghusband/Mewhort

“THAT School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast) Committees Bylaw No. 62, be read for a third time, passed and adopted.”

Carried.

v. Education Committee Notes – April 25, 2018

The notes were submitted as written.

MOTION: Baxter/Russell

“TO receive the reports.”

Carried.

#69. Questions and Enquiries from the Public Relating to the Board Meeting

- A member of the press requested background information on the wired glass motion to BCSTA AGM. Trustee Mewhort shared the impetus for the motion and spoke to incidents taking place at Pender Harbour Secondary.
- A member of the public requested clarification on the way in which universities plan to use the new secondary numeracy and literacy assessments. Director Bishop reported that it is unknown at this time how universities will use the assessments.

#70. Next Meeting

The next public board meeting will be held on June 13th, 2018.

MOTION: Russell/Mewhort

“TO approve the committee agendas.”

Carried.

#71. Adjournment

MOTION: Ruth/Russell

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

Carried.

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer