

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

Held on Wednesday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 At the School Board Office, Gibsons, B.C.

PRESENT: TRUSTEES: L. Pratt (Chair), D. Mewhort, G. Russell, P. Ruth, C. Younghusband,

P. Deasey (Student Trustee)

STAFF: P. Bocking, Superintendent of Schools

P. Bishop, Director of InstructionV. White, Director of InstructionN. Weswick, Secretary-Treasurer

E. Reimer, Executive Assistant (Recording Secretary)

REGRETS: L. Dixon, Trustee; B. Baxter, Trustee

#### #36. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

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

#### #37. Public Question Period

There were no questions.

### #38. Adoption of the Agenda

**MOTION:** Russell/Mewhort

"THAT the agenda of January 10, 2018 be adopted."

**AMENDED MOTION:** Mewhort/Ruth

"THAT the agenda of January 10, 2018 be adopted with the addition of "BCSTA Request for Feedback" under 5.b.1.2. BCSTA Report."

Carried as amended.

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

- a. Regular Meeting December 13, 2017
- b. Record of Closed Meeting December 13, 2017

MOTION: Russell/Ruth

"THAT the minutes of Regular Meeting of December 13, 2017 and the Record of the Closed Meeting of December 13, 2017 be adopted."

Carried.

# #40. Reports

a. Executive Reports

#### i. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Bocking spoke to his presentation and highlighted the North vs. South hockey game, winter celebrations at schools, discussions at aboriginal advisory circle regarding completion rates, succession planning and the Nutcracker ballet performance.

Director Bishop reported on the principal pool process and noted that a number of applications had been received from applicants on and off coast. He also commented on the success of the WorkBC *Find your Fit* event that took place at Chatelech Secondary on January 9<sup>th</sup>.

Director White reported on professional development activities that took place on the January non-instructional day for CUPE staff, including trauma informed practice, zones of regulation and aboriginal childhood experiences.

Director White reported on preparations for a special education audit.

- 1. Administrative Regulations to be Received:
  - a. Regulation 4220 Donations

The revised regulation includes a threshold for the purpose of reporting untargeted donations to the Education Committee.

- 2. Administrative Regulations in Circulation:
  - a. Regulation 3800 Transportation of Students (circulating until March 5, 2018)
  - b. Regulation 1320 Conduct on School Buses (to be repealed circulating until February 2, 2018)
  - c. Regulation 1800 School Attendance Areas (circulating until March 5, 2018)
  - d. Regulation 4450 Purchasing (circulating until March 5, 2018)
  - e. Regulation 6500 Inclement Weather (circulating until March 5, 2018)

Revisions to the regulations were reviewed at the December Operations Committee. The revised regulations, including markup, are available in the meeting package at <a href="http://www.sd46.bc.ca/files/17-18\_BoardMeetings/cmtes/20171221-">http://www.sd46.bc.ca/files/17-18\_BoardMeetings/cmtes/20171221-</a>
Ops\_Agenda.pdf

#### ii. Secretary-Treasurer's Report

Secretary-Treasurer Weswick spoke to his written report.

 Larger Cheques Written in the Month of December 2017
 Clarification was provided on payments to Muskoka Language International and Universal Sheet Metal.

# b. Board/Committee Reports

### i. Board Report

The report was submitted as written. Trustee Younghusband shared her experiences at winter celebrations at schools.

1. Internal and External Committee Appointments

The report was submitted as written. Clarification was sought as to who chairs the Joint-Use Committee meetings. Chair Pratt reported that the chair alternates between the two organizations. Secretary-Treasurer Weswick indicated that yearly meetings are outlined in the Joint-Use Agreement.

Trustees discussed ways to extend relationships with other governments on the coast beyond intergovernmental meetings.

Chair Pratt noted that she had accepted the position of alternate for BCPSEA Representative at the December board meeting.

#### 2. BCSTA Report - Provincial Council Motions

Vice-Chair Ruth reported on motion deadlines for the February BCSTA Provincial Council meeting.

# a. BCSTA Request for Feedback.

Chair Pratt indicated that BCSTA requested feedback from boards on the Ministry's Funding Model Review Guiding Principles document. Trustees discussed the merits of adding the item to a committee meeting. Trustees agreed that feedback would not be submitted to BCSTA prior to the January 15<sup>th</sup> deadline but would be provided to the ministry before the February 28<sup>th</sup> deadline.

# 3. BCPSEA Report – BCPSEA AGM

Trustee Mewhort suggested an amendment to the motion being presented to BCPSEA AGM.

#### MOTION: Mewhort/Russell

"The BC Public School Employers' Association members request that the Public Sector Employers' Council Secretariat approve changes to excluded benefit plans that provides Boards of Education with the necessary flexibility to achieve equity within school district employee groups."

Carried.

#### **MOTION:** Younghusband/Ruth

"To provide direction to the BCPSEA Representative to make an amendment to move SD 46 (Sunshine Coast) from the Vancouver Island/Coastal employer grouping to the Metro employer grouping, in Schedule 3 of the BCPSEA Bylaws"

Carried.

Trustees discussed the proposed changes to the BCPSEA bylaws and noted that SD46 has stronger ties to the metro region and is linked to the metro area through several associations. Trustees spoke to the proposed changes relating to BCPSEA governance. Trustee Mewhort indicated that he would consult with senior administration on other changes being considered to the BCPSEA Bylaws.

# 4. Student Trustee Report

Student Trustee Deasey reported the following:

- The North vs. South Hockey Game was well attended and all schools had a lot of fun. Proceeds from the event will go to the food bank. The event supports the DSLT's goal to connect schools across the coast.
- Chatelech Secondary held a winter talent show. The DSLT is looking forward to their SD46's Got Talent show in the spring.
- One winter formal will take place for all secondary schools.
- Elphinstone Secondary is getting a new mural in their gym.
- DSLT continues to work on ensuring they are hearing and reflecting the needs of students at their schools.
- ii. Operations Committee Notes December 21, 2017

The notes were submitted as written.

**MOTION:** Russell/Mewhort

"THAT Boards recognize the risk of wired glass in schools and advocate to the Ministry of Education for funding to mitigate that risk."

Carried.

iii. Committee of the Whole Notes - December 19, 2017

The notes were submitted as written.

MOTION: Russell/Mewhort

"TO receive the reports."

Carried.

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

- A member of the press asked how the district intends to use savings as a result of the MSP rate reduction. Secretary-Treasurer Weswick indicated that the savings would likely be added to the unrestricted surplus for determination in the spring.
- Additional information was requested on the consequences of the BCPSEA regional employer groupings change. Trustees indicated that the change does not align with other organization groupings and that historically both staff and students have strong connections to the metro region. Chair Pratt noted that the district's perspectives might not align with districts on Vancouver Island.
- A request was made to add the Technology Department to the trustee tour. Superintendent Bocking indicate he would consider when planning future tours.

#### #42. Next Meeting

The next public board meeting will be held on February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

MOTION: Russell/Younghusband

"TO approve the committee agendas."

AMENDED MOTION: Russell/Younghusband

"TO approve the committee agendas with the following changes:

- Adding "Regulation 2200 (Reporting Student Achievement)" to the Education Committee agenda,
- Adding "MOE Funding Principals Feedback" to the Committee of the Whole agenda, and
- Extending Committee of the Whole from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm."

Carried as amended.

# #43. Adjournment

**MOTION**: Mewhort/Younghusband The meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

Carried.

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer