



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

Wednesday, December 11, 2019, 7:00 pm
School Board Office - Gibsons, BC
494 South Fletcher Road
Gibsons, BC

TRUSTEES: P. Ruth, Board Chair, S. Leech, Vice-Chair, A. Amaral, Trustee,
S. Haines, Trustee, S. Girard, Trustee, T. Ste. Marie, Trustee,
J. Carroll, Student Trustee

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

REGRETS: M. Hampvent, Trustee

1. Call to Order

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

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

2. Celebrating Education: Student Voice - Student Trustee J. Carroll

Student Trustee Carroll introduced a short video featuring former student trustees talking about the importance of student voice in local municipal governments. The video is available to view on the district's YouTube channel at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cU8MRgZ2lzo&feature=youtu.be>

3. Public Question Period (10 minutes in total)

- There were no questions from the public.

4. Adoption of the Agenda

Moved: Amaral

Seconded: Ste. Marie

MOTION: "THAT the agenda of December 11, 2019 be adopted."

Carried

5. Approval of Minutes of Prior Meetings and Receipt of Records of Closed Meetings

- Regular Meeting Minutes - November 13, 2019

b. Record of Special Closed Meeting - November 5, 2019

Trustee Haines noted that she did not attend the Special Closed Meeting on November 5, 2019 due to a conflict of interest related to bargaining. The meeting's attendance record will be corrected.

Moved: Girard

Seconded: Amaral

MOTION: "THAT the Regular Meeting November 13, 2019 and the Record of Special Closed Meeting of November 5, 2019, be approved, as amended."

Carried

6. Reports

a. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Bocking shared two student poems from the *Coastal Voices* student writing anthology and spoke to his written report. A copy of Superintendent Bocking's presentation is available on the district website.

b. Strategic Plan Reports

1. Goal 1.h. - Indigenous Cultures

Superintendent Bocking spoke to his written report and highlighted:

- The importance of the board's indigenous affirmation,
- The connection to indigenous goals throughout the strategic plan,
- A steady improvement in indigenous completion rates, with a slight decline in the past year,
- The Elders in Schools program, which helps to promote a cultural connection,
- That English First Peoples is being offered at Elphinstone Secondary.

c. Administrative Regulations in Circulation

Details regarding the administrative regulations in circulation can be found in the committee notes of meetings taking place in November 2019. New and revised regulations will circulate for an eight (8) week period and regulations being repealed will circulate for a four (4) week period.

1. Reg. 1290 – Student Leadership
2. Reg. 1360 – Waivers and Informed Consent
3. Reg. 2110 - Reference Checks
4. Reg. 3200 - Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity
5. Reg. 3240 - Student Substance Use

d. Administrative Regulations to be Received

The following regulations completed the circulation phase and were received as part of the reports provided at the board meeting.

1. Reg. 1240 - Research Studies
2. Reg. 1250 - Review of Educational Materials
3. Reg. 1270 - Selection of Learning Resources
4. Reg. 1300 - Student Records
5. Reg. 2030 - Communication Protocol for Outside Agencies
6. Reg. 2120 - Selection and Appointment of Senior Executive

Superintendent Bocking noted a change to the formation of the selection committee and the consultation process.

e. Secretary-Treasurer's Report

1. Larger Cheques Written in the Month of November 2019

The report was submitted as written.

f. Board Report

The report was submitted as written. Trustee Ste. Marie reported on a recent Healthy Schools Committee meeting and shared news from the SCYAAC, noting that a number of local agencies have submitted an application to develop a Foundry Centre, to provide additional health and wellness supports to youth on the coast. Trustee Girard commented on her attendance at a recent international education closing ceremony. Chair Ruth reminded trustees to complete the Professional Learning Committee survey relating to the BCSTA Trustee Academy.

1. Committee Appointments

Chair Ruth reviewed the board committee appointments for 2020, included in the agenda package.

In addition to those appointments, Chair Ruth reported that an ad hoc committee, comprised of four trustees, would be struck to review the superintendent evaluation process. Trustees Amaral, Girard, Leech and Ruth agreed to sit on that committee.

2. BCSTA Report

Chair Ruth reported on an upcoming Professional Learning Committee meeting to review feedback relating to the BCSTA Trustee Academy.

3. BCPSEA Report

There were no items to report.

4. Student Trustee Report

Student Trustee Carroll reported on the following items:

- The DSLT are reviewing the student feedback from the Grade 11 Forum.
- The North vs South hockey game will take place on January 22, 2020 at the Gibsons arena.

- Student Trustee Carroll attended the BCSTA Trustee Academy.
- The recent vaping presentation at Elphinstone Secondary provided valuable information, however, unfortunately, the presentation didn't fully engage students.

g. Committee of the Whole Notes - November 26, 2019

The notes were submitted as written.

Moved: Leech

Seconded: Haines

MOTION: "THAT the Chair create an ad hoc committee to determine a prioritization process for policies to be reviewed as a standing item at Committee of the Whole."

Carried

Trustees Amaral, Haines, Ste. Marie, Leech and Ruth expressed an interest in taking part in the ad hoc committee.

The agenda setting committee will consider where best to continue the conversation regarding a standardized response to cannabis referrals.

h. Education Committee Notes - November 26, 2019

The notes were submitted as written.

i. Operations Committee Notes - November 26, 2019

The notes were submitted as written.

Moved: Leech

Seconded: Haines

MOTION: "THAT the report presented by the Secretary-Treasurer at the Operation Committee on November 26 for consideration of use of unspent AFG funds, be approved as written."

Carried

Moved: Girard

Seconded: Haines

MOTION: "TO convene a Joint Use Committee meeting with the SCRD to establish terms of reference, taking into consideration public involvement, and to develop a regular meeting schedule."

Carried

Moved: Haines

Seconded: Amaral

MOTION: "TO write to Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure to advocate for extended stop arms being permitted on school buses in our jurisdiction."

Carried

j. Receipt of Reports

Moved: Amaral

Seconded: Ste. Marie

MOTION: "THAT the reports be received."

Carried

7. Questions and Enquiries from the Public Relating to the Board Meeting

- A member of the press asked for clarification on the motion relating to unspent AFG funds.
- A member of the press requested additional information on data being reviewed relating to the six-year completion rates.
- A member of the audience asked if playgrounds would be considered for seismic upgrades, noting there was existing damage to equipment at Langdale Elementary. Secretary-Treasurer Weswick agreed to look into the issue, however noted the seismic review was specific to non-structural items.

8. Next Meeting

The next public board meeting will be held on January 8, 2019 at the Sechelt Learning Centre.

a. Committee Agendas

Moved: Haines

Seconded: Ste. Marie

MOTION: "TO approve the committee agendas."

Carried

9. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Moved: Haines

Seconded: Girard

MOTION: "TO adjourn."

Carried

Signed original on file

Pammila Ruth - Board Chair

Nicholas Weswick - Secretary-Treasurer