

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

Held on Wednesday, October 11th, 2017 At the School Board Office, Gibsons, B.C.

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

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

#9. Call to Order

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

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

#10. Swearing-in of Student Trustee

Secretary-Treasurer Weswick facilitated the swearing-in of incoming student trustee, Pearl Deasey, to the Board of Education of School District No. 46 (Sunshine Coast). Chair Baxter presented Student Trustee Deasey with a school district jacket to celebrate the occasion.

#11. Celebrating Education: WE Day Celebrations – J. Ostashek

Langdale Elementary Teacher, Jane Ostashek, and grade 7 students, Jack Marshall, Ryan Cole, Willow Carriere, Margot Whyard, Rory Scott and Cora Weatherbe, shared their enthusiasm for the upcoming WE Day Celebrations and provided additional information on past initiatives, including their WE Create Change assembly, and other WE school campaigns. In addition to learning about the various WE campaigns, the board was taught the movements to the WE Day Dance. The district is proud to be sending 215 students to take part in the WE Day celebration at Rogers Arena on October 18, 2017.

#12. Public Question Period

There were no questions.

#13. Adoption of the Agenda

MOTION: Younghusband/Pratt

"THAT the agenda of October 11, 2017 be adopted."

Carried.

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

- a. Regular Meeting September 13, 2017
- b. Record of Closed Meeting September 13, 2017
- Record of Special Closed Meeting September 26, 2017

MOTION: Mewhort/Ruth

"THAT the minutes of Regular Meeting of September 13, 2017 and the Record of Closed and Special Closed Meetings taking place on September 13 and September 26, 2017 be adopted."

Carried.

#15. Reports

- a. Executive Reports
 - i. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Bocking spoke to his report.

- 1. Administrative Regulations in Circulation:
 - a. Regulation 2210 Automotive Training Program Courses
 - b. Regulation 3600 School Board Vehicles
 - c. Regulation 3720 School Vans (to be repealed)
 - d. Regulation 3800 Transportation of Students

Secretary-Treasurer Weswick indicated that the revised regulations had been reviewed at the September Operations Committee meeting. The regulations will be in circulation until December 8, 2017, with the exception of regulation 3720 which will be circulating until November 3, 2017. The district welcomes comments on all circulating regulations: http://www.sd46.bc.ca/files/draft_reg_resp.pdf.

ii. Strategic Plan Update:

1. Goal 1.g. - Outdoor Education

Superintendent Bocking spoke to his written report and highlighted work taking and next steps. Director Bishop reported on outdoor education initiatives at the secondary level. It was noted that there are no plans for a secondary NEST program at this time.

2. Goal 2.d. - Parent Communication

Superintendent Bocking spoke to his written report. Trustees requested additional information on changes in reporting structures and the MyEd online reporting service, in addition to discussing applications in use at secondary schools.

iii. Secretary-Treasurer's Report

1. Preliminary Enrollment Report

Secretary-Treasurer Weswick reported that the information provided in the package was preliminary. Final enrolment numbers will be provided after October 23, 2017. Trustees requested additional information on capacity at Gibsons Elementary school. Secretary-Treasurer Weswick reported that both Gibsons Elementary and Cedar

Grove Elementary have been closed to cross boundary intakes due to capacity issues.

2. Larger Cheques Written in the Month of September 2017

The report was submitted as written.

Trustees requested clarification on items in the report.

b. Board/Committee Reports

i. Board Report

The report was submitted as written.

1. BCSTA Report

Trustee Ruth shared information on the upcoming Provincial Council meeting and indicated that Minister Fleming would be reporting to the council.

2. BCPSEA Report

Trustee Younghusband reported that BCPSEA representatives had been invited to attend the Issues Forum at the BCSTA Provincial Council meeting and noted that she would be in attendance. Trustee Younghusband also reported that she and Secretary-Treasurer Weswick would be attending the BCPSEA professional learning Symposium in November.

3. Student Trustee Report

Student Trustee Deasey spoke to the following items:

- Career Fair was a great opportunity for students.
- The District Student Leadership Team plans to create a monitored Facebook page to allow for broader student communication across the district.
- Chat-To-Go application is useful to students. SWAAG (Sauer's Week at a Glance) provides a weekly update.
- The Sunshine Coast Alternative School's kickball tournament last week was a success.
- Elphinstone Secondary held their first pep rally, Black and Gold day to celebrate school spirit.
- Pender Harbour Secondary Students took part in a their swearing-in ceremony.

ii. Operations Committee Notes – September 26, 2017

The notes were submitted as written. Trustee Pratt highlighted the conversation around summer work and thanked maintenance and custodial staff for their hard work.

iii. Committee of the Whole Notes – September 26, 2017

The notes were submitted as written.

1. Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services

A copy of the board's submission to the SSCFGS was provided for information.

iv. Education Committee Notes - September 27, 2017

The notes were submitted as written. Trustee Ruth was pleased to hear the report on the opening of the Nicholas Sonntag Marine Research Centre. Chair Baxter reported on a conversation with manager, Graham Starsage.

MOTION: Pratt/Ruth

"TO receive the reports."

Carried.

- #16. Questions and Enquiries from the Public Relating to the Board Meeting
 - There were no questions.
- #17. Next Meeting

The next public board meeting will be held on November 8th, 2017.

MOTION: Mewhort/Pratt

"TO approve the committee agendas."

Carried.

#18. Adjournment

MOTION: Mewhort/Ruth

The meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Carried.

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer